Announcements August 15, 2021

Sound and video assistants needed for worship broadcast and live stream video. Training will be provided. For more information or to sign up, contact Pastor Scott at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org or (610) 326-1335 ext. 1.

Welcome to Kevin Tracey who is leading the worship service and to Steve Eisenhart, who is serving as the organist this morning.

The bulletin and flowers are presented by Jim and Nancy Gross for the glory of God and in honor of all of God's work at NHELC – God's work, our hands.

Serving Today Head Usher: Scott Geiser; Ushers: Brian Flack and Rick Hausch; Children's Sermon: Hayley Quigley **Next week** Head Usher: Ed Becker; Ushers: Steve and Faye Weidner; Children's Sermon: Ariel Hansley

Rejoicing Spirits Outdoor Worship will be held this afternoon in the church parking lot. Fellowship begins at 2:30 followed by the worship service at 3:00. This service is for everyone and includes lots of music and joyous singing, a brief meaningful message, fellowship opportunities and light refreshments. Rejoicing Spirits is a ministry to enrich the spiritual lives of individuals with developmental disabilities along with their families, friends and supportive community. Come and check it out.

The Great Swamp Picnic is back! Save the date - August 28th from 4:00-8:00 PM. Bring your family and friends for dinner at the picnic grove. In addition, activities include free games for children and entertainment from 6-8 by the Boyertown Alumni Band.

Volunteers are needed for The Great Swamp Picnic. If you can help or would like more information, contact Sally Sugita at (610) 505-9682 or sallysugita@yahoo.com.

Yard Sale The Mission Service folks will be holding a yard sale at the Great Swamp Picnic on Saturday, August 28th. Please do not bring electronics, upholstered furniture or clothes. All monies received from sales will go to benefit a local, charitable cause.

Come and shop. Yard sale treasures may be dropped at the picnic grove on Friday, August 27th, from 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM and Saturday, August 28th, (the day of the picnic) from 9:00 AM - noon. If you have any questions, contact Vicki Mutter at (484) 363-0639. Thanks in advance for your support of this project.

Backpack Blessing – Sunday, August 22nd, during worship As we prepare to begin another school year, again with lots of unknows, join us in worship on Sunday, August 22nd, at 9:00 for a backpack blessing during the service. Children and teachers can bring a backpack, laptop bag, whatever they would like to be blessed. We want to pray for a safe and healthy school year for all as we begin this 2021-2022 school year.

"Seniors Ministry is rising up! Watch for details about what is happening – we are forming a Planning & Resource Team, a first-time get-together for in the coming weeks, and our first service project – putting together a "Living History Cemetery Walk-Through" as part of our fund-raising month of October. Check out upcoming bulletins and the September newsletter for more details. Stay tuned! NHELC Seniors are on the move!

In just about one month...."Thursdays at Ten" will be here! Formerly known as the Mid-Week Study, we'll be meeting on Thursdays from 10:00 - 11:30 AM to share some good talk, some good stories, some good laughs and some great chances to explore what God intends for our lives. Might even be some good snacks!

Women's Breakfast is held the second Tuesday of each month at 8:30 at The Three Cousins Diner in Pottstown. Reservations are needed so contact Sandy Wesner by noon on the Monday before the breakfast. Husbands are invited too. Any questions and to sign up, contact Sandy at (610) 417-1968 or slwesner@comcast.net.

Men's Breakfast is held the second Saturday of each month at 8:00 at Brookside Family Restaurant. No registration is required. Any questions, contact Ron Fegley at (484) 415-0386.

The *Word in Season* daily devotion books July – September are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their church family by Steve and Faye Weidner. The booklets are available in the box outside the Sunday School door and are in the Welcome Center.

Places of Reflection and Prayer Did you know New Hanover has several places around the church that provide great places to connect with God? The gazebo located in the rear of the cemetery is maintained year-round and has recently been freshened up. Right now there are butterfly bushes and begonias blooming and it's a perfect place to read the Bible or pray. Also, a memorial bench, located on the south side of the church, is surrounded by nature and canopied by a large oak providing shade for those seeking a place of reprieve and solace. Take advantage of them and you'll find that God is ready both for listening and speaking.

Thrivent members receive free of charge two (2) \$250.00 gifts a year to help our church or charity. With your gifts, you can help Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry, Garden of Hope with plants and supplies, FLUTTER (Youth) activities and Community Family Events. For details, contact Pastor Scott or logon at https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-action-teams/.

Sponsors Needed You can help support the ministry at NHELC by sponsoring communion and *The Word in Season* devotion booklets. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at (610) 326-1335 to sign up. Suggested donation to sponsor the communion is \$20 a month and *The Word in Season* devotional is \$35 a month. And, don't forget, there are weeks available to sponsor the bulletin and flowers too. Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 a week and the flowers is \$35 a week.

Calendar

Worship Service – Today, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online Food Drop Off – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen Food Delivery Pickup – Today, 10:00 AM, Sunday School Wing door

Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 PM, church parking lot
Peer Support – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 33
Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen
Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 2:00 PM, Sunday School
Wing door

Council – Thursday, 7:00 PM, room 33

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Food Drop Off – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen Food Delivery Pickup – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, Sunday School Wing door

Faith Formation

Rally Day Event and Picnic Sunday, September 12th, 10:15 AM We are ready to begin Sunday School again and are looking forward to Rally Day on Sunday, September 12th, at 10:15 following worship. All ages can join in the Rally Day fun. There will be a scavenger hunt for those that would like to participate and service project to make kindness bags to be given to someone that could use some cheering up. Children and Youth will have a chance to meet their teachers and find their classroom. After the Sunday School hour there will be a picnic at the Grove. The main dish and beverages will be provided by our fellowship committee. We ask that you bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share. We will have folks helping to serve the food in order to keep things as safe as possible. We hope you will join us for a fun morning filled with faith and fellowship. We are looking forward to welcoming you all back.

Sunday School Help Needed We need your help! We are looking for Sunday School teachers, substitutes, or second adults. We provide you with the curriculum and whatever support you will need. If you are not comfortable teaching but are willing to just be a second adult/classroom observer that is helpful. We would like to have an extensive substitute list to have others to call on if our regular teachers are feeling ill. Can't help weekly? That's ok! If you are interested at all, contact Nikki Young at the church or at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Catechism for 2021-2022 We are getting ready to begin Catechism for the 2021-2022 school year. Catechism is typically for 8th and 9th graders and is a two-year program. If you are interested in catechism, contact Nikki Young at the church or email nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Trauma: Travelling Through and Surviving by Pastor Scott An Adult class discussion each Sunday at 10:15 AM in room 33 centering on the identification and effects of trauma, traveling through trauma and healing practices. We will study what one may learn through trauma, and how trauma may actually make us stronger if we allow ourselves to accept it and work through trauma.

Forward of the book study "Oneing: Trauma" by Richard Rohr: "The theme of the edition is timely, considering the loss of hundreds of thousands of lives due to a complex global pandemic, political upheaval, armed conflicts, and squalid migrant camps cropping up in many parts of the world, not to mention the suffering of countless kinds of animal and plant life due to global warming. Although it seems that we are living through eschatological times, we can hope that transformation will be the result of this eye-opening, heartbreaking suffering."

The book cost is \$15.00. I ask that you contact me at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org by September 10th to order your copy. Scholarships are available for the book cost. I will also have handouts available.

You are never too old to color! On our Faith Formation page you'll find prayer coloring pages you can download and print out for those times you could use some quiet, mindful spaces in your life. Take deep breaths, color and enjoy!

Need a prayer lifted up? The NHELC Prayer Chain Ministry is here for you. If you need a prayer, know someone else who could use one, or just want someone to pray about peace and healing for our communities, nation and world, we will lift those prayers up! All information will be kept confidential. To request a prayer, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org or call the church office (610-326-1335), leave her a voice mail and she will pass it on to the prayer group. Also, you can contact Deacon Carol to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain. Your prayers will be "delivered"!

Food Ministry

More than 50,000 meals have been delivered! NHELC's Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry is changing lives. And, you can be a part

of the team. 1) You can donate food. Drop off your donation on Wednesdays between 1 – 2 PM and Sundays between 9 – 10 AM. Items most needed include: hamburger, chicken (thighs and breast meat), pasta (ziti, elbows, bowties), cheese (mozzarella, cheddar, parmesan), potatoes, fresh fruit (apples, oranges, bananas) and eggs. 2) Donate money through Thrivent Gift Cards, place monetary donation in the offering plate or mail to the church.
3) Deliver meals. Sign up at https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/.

Garden of Hope

Volunteers are needed to work in the garden. Hours are: Mondays 7-10 AM, Wednesdays 4:30-5:30 PM, Thursdays 7-10 AM and Saturdays to be announced. Would you like to help but can't serve during the designated hours? Additional hours and tasks can be coordinated with Donna Kehs. Contact Donna at donnakehs@gmail.com.

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Larry Gallagher, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, Roy Fleming, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Stephanie Holtz, Carol Buchholtz Yost, Enoc Zapien, Jean Renninger, Gene Reider, Barbara Morris, Kathy Campos, Pr. Susan Lynch, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Linda Harpel, Jeffrey Kunsch, Mary Ellen Jonczyk, Hannah Phillips, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Marlyn Bieleski, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, MaryAlice Mack, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Russ and Lenore Gates, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Linda Norton, Alyssa Dierolf, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Catherine Underwood, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, June Urbassik, Frank D., Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Charles Rhoads, Andy Van Dyke, Lilly Marie Kuzminski, Donald Gabel, Janet, Tom Swanson, Tricia Hoak family, Carly, Karen Eisenhart Long, Rick Hansen and Marilyn Varnum, Jerry Dotterer

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

Long-term

Garrett Coyne, Heather James, Rachel Walter, Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Shannon, John, Jean Boyer, Dominic Strock, Sally Kohl, Mark Noecker

Shut-ins

Penny Frymoyer, Fran E. Weaver, Janet Deloplaine, Wade Miller

Grieving

Family and friends of Richard Davis (Robb Davis' father)

Military

Shawn Dietz, Michael McHugh, Kevin Dugan, Jason Bernhard,

Craig Geiser, Patrick Mathias, Steven Kane, Temperance Leister, William Zearfoss, Will Wilson V, Milton Jack Repa, Megan Fricker, Kyle Woods

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