Announcements May 15, 2022

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.

Parttime Bookkeeper Position The Bookkeeper supports the mission of this congregation by facilitating fund transfers between accounts as required and drafting checks to pay the congregation's expenses. The Bookkeeper shall also assist the Finance Committee, the Treasurer, the Financial Secretary, and the Board/Fund Treasurers to administer and oversee the financial records of the church. Accounting and Payroll experience is a plus. Contact Pastor Scott, 610-326-1335 ext. 1 to apply.

Sponsors are needed. Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 and flowers is \$35. Or, sponsor the *Word in Season* for \$35 a month. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at (610) 326-1335 for available dates and to sign up.

Reminder: Since activities at the church are back to normal, check in with staff before scheduling an event to be held at the church to avoid conflicts with scheduling.

Today

Serving Today Head Usher: Scott Geiser; Ushers: Georgann Geiser and Rick Solazzo; Children's Sermon: Nicole Ewing Next Sunday Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Ushers: Youth; Children's Sermon: Youth

Altar Guild Serving this Month Jean Moser, Jane Johnson and Jo Anne Wirt

The bouquet of flowers at the altar are presented to the glory of God and in memory of Wally Van Dyke by the Van Dyke family.

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
- GIFT Sunday Today, 10:15 11:15 AM, room 1
- Rejoicing Spirits Today, 2:30 4:00 PM, room 1 and sanctuary
- AARP Monday, 11:00 AM, room 1
- Prayer Ministry Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary
- Peer Support Monday, 6:30 8:00 PM, room 32
- Boy Scouts Tuesday, 6:30 8:00 PM, room 1
- Food Drop Off Wednesday, 1:00 2:00 PM, kitchen
- Food Delivery Pickup Wednesday, 2 PM, Sunday School wing door
- **12 Step** Wednesday, 6:00 7:00 PM, room 32
- Camp Falckner Wednesday, 6:30 PM, room 30
- Choir Rehearsal Wednesday, 7:00 8:15 PM, room 15
- Thursday at Ten Thursday, 10:00 11:30 AM, room 33
- Bell Choir Rehearsal Thursday, 6:30 8:00 PM, room 15
- Council Thursday, 7:00 PM, room 34
- Worship Service Next Sunday, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online
- Food Drop Off Next Sunday, 9:00 10:00 AM, kitchen
- Food Delivery Pickup Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, Sunday School wing door
- Sunday School Next Sunday, 10:15 11:15 AM, room 1

Upcoming Events

Seniors Ministry Sponsored event for any interested congregational members! Save the date - June 12th. "Soul Therapy: Create Your Own Patio/Deck Planter" Ever want to make a beautiful planter and just didn't know how? Join us on June 12th, following the 9:00 service where we will hear a little bit about gardening in the Bible and then, under the expert guidance of Tina Phillips, our altar flower designer, we will create our own gardens. Bring: 1) \$20 to cover the cost of materials, 2) your own container (materials are based on a 10" container); 3) gardening gloves and 4) creativity! Flowers, soil and a good time with friends will be provided. Gather outside for this event, weather permitting. If inclement weather, the event will be held in fellowship hall. Bring a beverage and/or snack to share if you'd like. **Deadline to sign up is June 5th**. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center or email Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Men's Retreat July 5-6, 2022 at Gettysburg Seminary. The theme will be "Being Spiritual Warriors." There will be a little bit of Bible study, a little bit of prayer, a little bit of discussion and a lot of fellowship. We will have an evening Luther Table Talk discussion as Martin did often in addition to several break-out opportunities to enjoy the historic area. Also, the men will have a private worship service in the morning of the 6th on Seminary Ridge of the Battlefield.

We will be joining the Martin Luther's Beer, Brat and Bible Men's Ministries from Stafford Virginia and Birdsboro PA. Both ministries are heavily involved like us in meal and homeless ministries, and like having a good time serving others. Costs will be your housing (about \$50) and your meals. All meals will be at local restaurants. Let Pastor Scott know if you will be attending.

Questioning Salvation? Throughout the ages humans have asked, "Is there a hereafter?" We address this in our worship by the words we say, hear and sing; however, do we believe in the theology of eternal salvation, and if yes, how do we receive or get there? On Sunday mornings at 10:15 in room 33, we will discuss this topic as it relates to Lutherans and other faith traditions.

If you have Easter flowers decorating the gravesite of a loved one in the NHELC cemetery, you should remove the flowers before Sunday, May 22nd, to get ready for Memorial Day. Easter items left in the cemetery after May 22nd will be removed and discarded.

Help decorate the sanctuary red on Pentecost. Order red geraniums for Pentecost, June 5, 2022. An order form is included in this bulletin. Envelopes are available in the Narthex and welcome center.

Monumental Celebrating GOD's Greatness is this year's VBS theme. VBS 2022 will be June $20^{th} - 24^{th}$, 9:00 AM - noon. Since daytime VBS can be difficult for people who work, we are offering an extended VBS for 20 kids to stay and play in the

afternoon, if parents are unable to pick up at noon. But this means we need a lot of volunteers for this year. Also, folks are needed to help plan for VBS and to help decorate. Jobs are available for ALL ages and abilities. We need key area volunteers and group leaders (shepherds) for during the morning. In the afternoon we need some folks that will have fun with the kids, helping with an afternoon craft or snack. Do you have a special talent that you want to share? Let us know! Can you hang out with some kids for an afternoon? Let us know. If VBS is something you want to hear more about, contact Nikki ASAP in the church office or at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org. By the way – youth helpers are very welcome!

VBS Donations We are looking for new or used Legos that you no longer want (since Legos would be hard to keep separate and return) for the kids at the afternoon VBS. We are looking for more generic Lego bricks to free play and NOT the Lego sets. Also needed are new or gently used (with all pieces/cards) board or card games that are appropriate for kids. If you are interested in providing any games, contact Nikki Young to be sure we don't end up with multiple copies of the same game OR so she can send you an Amazon wish list if that is easier for you. We are not worried about duplicating Legos. Thank you for supporting VBS 2022!

Prayer Warriors Wanted Pray, pray, and pray some more! You are invited to come pray with us! Yes, we have a prayer chain, but we have a new prayer ministry. All are welcome to gather together each Monday at 1:15 PM in the sanctuary to pray. Participants join in a brief devotion and then pray together. We give thanks and then lift up in prayers our neighbors both near and far. As Jesus told us, "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." See Donna Kehs or Marsha Staub if you have any questions.

Food Ministry

More than 70,000 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/.

We need help! NHELC Loaves & Fishes is working with the Chosen 300 Ministries to feed the homeless every month on the second Tuesday. If you can put a piece of food onto a plate, or serve a plate, or greet someone, or help sing a hymn or two, we could use your help. Meals are served at 5:30 PM at Emmanuel Lutheran Church located in Pottstown. You can sign up to help at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f48adaf28a5f58-nhelc.

Spiritual Renewal

The *Word in Season* daily devotion books April - June are available in the welcome center and the information box located outside by the Sunday school doors.

Do you know someone who could use a **prayer shawl** to help bring comfort, healing and good thoughts? If so, contact Deacon Carol or Pastor Scott and they'll see that one is made available. Interested in knitting a shawl or two? Supplies and instructions are available now in the library located off of fellowship hall. Materials are on a bookcase close to the door. Contact Deacon Carol with any questions about this.

Faith Formation

"Thursdays At Ten" Feeling a little worn-out, anxious, stressed with all that is impacting your daily life? Just need to take a break and rest from it all? Then join us for "**And I Will Give You Rest**" where we will take time for ourselves, to be present to the Spirit, and learn how to relax through mindfulness exercises, meditation and other creative ways to just "be still." And to better hear God's voice amidst the noise of the world. You'll find us in room 33 from 10-11:30 AM on Thursdays. Questions? Just contact

Deacon Carol! **Highlight: On May 19th**, Vivian Speca will help us learn to relax through the listening of hymns and their beautiful tunes. Questions about the session? Contact Deacon Carol or Vivian Speca.

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELC Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. All information will be kept confidential. To request a prayer, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanover lutheran.org or call the church office (610-326-1335) to leave her a voice mail. Your prayers will be delivered! Also, you can contact Deacon Carol to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain.

Seniors News

"Seniors Serving Others" A Seniors Ministry program where seniors become "God's Hands" There are a couple of service projects coming up for which we can use some help, including finishing up sun catchers to be hung in skilled care units of nursing homes and making new Chrismons for our Christmas trees. There are other projects being lined up as well. Details will be out soon! Keep an eye on our bulletin announcements for updates on this and other Seniors ministries.

Looking ahead – Plans are being made for a "gardening – themed" event, and down the road a "Doing Genealogy 101" session which will include the opportunity for three lucky folks to have some genealogical research done on their families as part of the program. Watch for more details to come! Preliminary planning is also starting for another Historic Cemetery Tour as part of the Amazing Raise fund-raising. There are plenty of stories from our cemetery just waiting to be told!

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Carol Buchholtz Yost, Enoc Zapien, Jean Renninger, Barbara Morris, Kathy Campos, Pr. Susan Lynch, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Jeffrey Kunsch, Mary Ellen Jonczyk, Hannah Phillips, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, Mary Alice Mack, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Gates family, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, Frank D., Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Andy Van Dyke, Janet, Tom Swanson, Tricia Hoak family, Marilyn Varnum, Jerry Dotterer, Feryl Stein, Laurie Scoggins, Pam Abbott, Holli Muffler, Louise Karns, Mary Van Dyke

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

Long-term

Garrett Coyne, Heather James, Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Shannon, John, Dominic Strock, Sally Kohl, Tina Farrell

Grieving

Family and friends of Bill Kingsepp, Wally Van Dyke, Bill Dengler, John Evans and John Williams

Shut-in Penny Frymoyer

Military

Shawn Dietz, Michael McHugh, Kevin Dugan, Jason Bernhard, Craig Geiser, Patrick Mathias, Steven Kane, William Zearfoss, Will Wilson V, Milton Jack Repa, Megan Fricker, Kyle Woods

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