Announcements December 4, 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.

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.

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

Today

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in celebration of the birthdays of their children, Janine and Allen, Jr., by Sue and Allan Care.

Serving Today Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Bill Allen and Bryce Manthorne; Lector: Sue Care; Children's Sermon: Ariel Hansley, Acolyte: Bryce Manthorne

Next Sunday Head Usher: Scott Geiser; Ushers: Georgann Geiser and Brian Flack; Lector: Kayleigh Urbassik; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermyer, Acolyte: Camryn Urbassik Altar Guild Serving this Month Deb Solazzo, Barb Eisenhart, Marsha Staub

Calendar

Worship Service – Today, 9:00 AM, sanctuary and online Food Drop Off – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen Food Delivery Pickup – Today, 10:00 AM, portico **J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)** – Today, 10:05 – 11:05 AM, room 1 Adult Forum: Politics & Religion – Today, 10:15 – 11:05 AM, room 33 Praver Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary Cub Scouts - Monday, 6:30 PM, room 1, 21-31, 33, 37 Christian Education – Monday, 6:30 PM, room 33 Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1 Book Club – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, offsite (@ The Grind) God and Me – Tuesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, nursery Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 2:00 PM, portico **12 Step** – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32 Informational Budget Meeting – Wednesday, 6:30 PM, room 1 Children's Choir – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:00 PM, room 15 Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, room 15 Troop 367 Committee – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33 **Property** – Wednesday, 7:00 PM Thursdays at Ten – Thursday, 10:00 AM, room 33 Bell Choir – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15 Worship Service - Next Sunday, 9:00 AM sanctuary and online Food Drop Off – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen Food Delivery Pickup – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, portico J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) – Next Sunday, 10:05 – 11:05 AM, room 1 (fellowship hall) Adult Forum: Politics & Religion – Next Sunday, 10:15 – 11:05

AM, room 33

Paint Day – next Sunday, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, offsite

Upcoming Events

Constant Contact is a weekly email offering events and worship news. Did you get an email from Constant Contact this week? If not, don't miss out! Sign up by calling the church at (610) 326 1335 or emailing cc-admin@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Politics and Religion Bible Study - Sundays at 10:15 AM in room 33. Now that I got your attention. Join me for a weekly public forum of how we as a people can share the wisdom of the Bible to create an atmosphere where listening, loving and helping one another is a priority, and power and dominance are not a platform for public forums and discussions. The Readings and discussions will be posted on our website, and printed copies will be available each Sunday in Room 33 at 10:15 AM.

Choir Rehearsals: Chancel Choir rehearses Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:15 PM in the choir room (room 15). **Children's Choir** rehearses Wednesdays, 6:30 - 7:00 PM in the choir room. Interested in joining the Chancel Choir or Children's Choir? Contact Director of Music Ministry Patricia Nyce for more information. **Bell Choir** rehearses on Thursdays, 6:15 - 7:30 PM in the choir room. For more information about the bell choir program, contact Bell Choir Director Barb Eisenhart.

Thursdays at Ten, our midweek adult faith formation gathering, meets each Thursday from 10 - 11:30 AM in room 33. This informal discussion/study group will explore "**Fierce Women of the Bible.**" There were some sassy women back then! Both women and men are invited to journey back to biblical times to learn more about these "lasses" and how some things haven't changed. Look for more course details in the newsletter. Contact Deacon Carol with any questions. And feel free to bring a friend! Newcomers always welcome! **Please note**: there will be no class on Thursday December 15 (come out to the luncheon instead at noon!) or December 29. Classes will meet December 1, 8 and 22.

The church book club will be meeting **Tuesday, December 6th** at 6:30 PM at The Grind to discuss The Book of Longings by Sue Monk Kidd. All are welcome to attend! To stay up to date with what's happening, join the group's Facebook page, NHELC Book

Club. If you aren't on Facebook, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com for information.

Informational Meeting for the 2023 Budget Should you have any questions about the proposed budget, an informational meeting will be held on **Wednesday**, **December 7 at 6:30 p.m**., in the Fellowship Hall.

Special Congregation Meeting There will be a special meeting of the congregation on **Sunday, December 11, 2022** immediately after the morning worship service (in the sanctuary) to discuss and approve the 2023 Proposed Budget. The Congregation Council reviewed this budget at its November meeting and recommends its approval. A copy of the budget can be obtained for review prior to the meeting beginning November 27 in the following ways: a. On the church website: www.newhanoverlutheran.org b. In the box outside of the Sunday School / Office door (under the portico)

c. In the Welcome Center

Paint Day – DATE CHANGE Back by popular demand another Paint Day Party. Please join us on **Sunday, December 11th** from 6-8 pm. This time we are going to go to Amy's studio – Amy's Art Shack, 2210 Hendricks Road, Pennsburg. If you are interested we will meet at PC Pub/Pizza Como at 4:15 for dinner and fellowship before. RSVP to Nikki Young or on the sign up genius <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-</u> <u>christmas</u> This event is \$35/person. (Dinner is on your own) Save the date!

Seniors Ministry Christmas Luncheon and Program -

Thursday, December 15, 12 noon. Celebrate the season with "**The Carols of Christmas**". Joining us will be our former Director of Music Priscilla Landis to lead us in a festive time of carol singing and a sharing of the background of some of our beloved Christmas carols. We'll begin with a delicious lunch of homemade soup and sandwiches prepared by Chef Chris. We're asking folks to bring a Christmas treat to share for dessert. To help with meal planning **please RSVP by Friday, December 9**. A sign-up sheet is on the desk in the Welcome Center or you can contact Deacon Carol at <u>carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org</u> or leave a message on the church phone. And invite a friend or two!

Handbell Dedication

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing. ~ Psalm 100: 1-2 (NIV)

On December 18, 2022, at the 9:00 AM worship service, new handbells will be dedicated. The handbells were acquired with contributions to the Memorial Fund given in memory of Charles and Catharine Renninger. The bells purchased are small bells in the upper fifth octave range. They serve to add high sounds to counterbalance the sound of the very low bells already in use by the choir. We thank Jayne McHugh for designating her parents' memorial gifts to be used to purchase these handbells. It is a fitting memorial as her mother, Catharine, was a member of the Handbell Choir when the congregation first purchased handbells in the late 1970s-early 1980s. These and all handbells and handchimes will be used to ring praises to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Also being dedicated on December 18 are two handbell cases. The new cases will be used to store the very large bells in the lower fifth octave. They have rollers which will make transporting these heavy bells easier and safer. A portion of the Memorial Fund contributions given in memory of Nancy Moser were designated for the cases. In addition, a charitable donation earmarked for Handbell Choir use was given to New Hanover Lutheran Church by Merck in response to Ben Fowler volunteering 80 hours of service to the church.

Growth in the Handbell Choir necessitated the need for the additional bells and cases. It is with appreciation to the Renninger/McHugh family, Moser/Kehs family, and to Merck and Ben Fowler that these monies could be used to support the music ministry at New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Barbara Eisenhart Handbell Choir Director

You Can Help

Looking for volunteers to help during the church service : Ushers, Lectors, Children's Sermons, and Acolytes. Please contact Faye Weidner if you are interested in serving at omiweidner@gmail.com or 484-929-5958

A Capital Funds Campaign is underway. Help NHELC raise \$247,500 for the HVAC and AVEL systems. Specially marked envelopes are available on the desk in the welcome center for your contribution. For more information, contact the church office at (610) 326-1335.

Christmas Flea Market 2023 Harvesting Hope Fair preparation begins now!! During December and January your Christmas treasures you no longer need can be placed in the red and green tubs located in the Fellowship Hall and the Sunday School wing. Your treasures will be sure to make others happy and turn into donations for our garden and food ministry! Your Mission Service Committee folks are thankful for you and your willingness to share. Any questions call Vicki 484-363-0639

Food Ministry

More than 100,000 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 donations in the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/.

Spiritual Renewal

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. And...**please prayerfully consider:** the requests for our prayer shawls keep coming in. To make sure we will always have a shawl available when needed we could use some additional knitters to help with this important ministry. Please contact Deacon Carol if interested in doing this. Supplies and instructions are available in the library located off of Fellowship Hall, in a bookcase close to the door.

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELC Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. All information remains confidential. To request a prayer, contact Deacon Carol at cdetweiler01@comcast.net 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.

Prayer Warriors Wanted You are invited to join the warriors on Monday at 1:15 PM in the sanctuary. Participants join in a brief devotion and then pray together. They give thanks and then lift up in prayers neighbors both near and far. See Donna Kehs or Marsha Staub if you have any questions.

A Seniors Suggestion Box is now available on the desk in the Welcome Center. NHELC Seniors (folks in their 60's on up) are invited to use the slips provided and write down any ideas, concerns, needs they may have for our Senior's Ministry. Can be anything ranging from speakers/topics, fun events, faith formation needs, etc. We want to hear from you!

Thank You

Dear Pastor Scott, my name is Joe & on behalf of my 12 roommates we thank you & your staff for the food donations! Your chef, your wife, yourself & volunteers put a lot of thought & care in making our lives easier! It's nice to have a home cooked meal & not worry where our next meal is coming from. Thank you we all appreciate it. God bless you & your family.

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Trevor Martin, Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Jean Renninger, Kathy Campos, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Jeffrey Kunsch, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Gates family, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, 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, Jerry Dotterer, Feryl Stein, Laurie Scoggins, Pam Abbott, Holli Muffler, Louise Karns, Mary Van Dyke, Pr. Jennifer Phelps, Jessica Trout, Denny Smith, Verdi Smith, Mabel Gaugler

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

Long-term

Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Sally Kohl, Tina Farrell, Carol Buchholtz Yost

Shut-in Penny Frymoyer

Grieving

Family and friends of Marcia Renninger-Dey, Wayne Sloan, George Freyer (Lynn & Ron Fegley) Leon Houp, Francis Wilson (Pastor Scott & Marsha), Laura Wise (Jeff & Sharon Wise)

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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OFFERING	Oct 2022 Contributions	Jan-Oct 2022 Total Contributions	Approved Budget through Oct 2022	% of Budget through Oct 2022
Envelope Offering	\$15,335	\$143,042	\$143,333	100%
Simply Giving Offering	\$9,482	\$100,270	\$111,250	%06
Loose Offering Offering	\$660	\$3,588	\$4,167	86%
Total Offerings	\$25,477	\$246,900	\$258,750	95%
DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS				
Fuel Oil Contributions	\$425	\$4,462	\$7,500	29%
Bulletin Contributions	\$60	\$305	\$1,000	31%
Flower Contributions	\$285	\$2,293	\$2,500	92%
Food Ministry/Garden of Hope				
Contributions	\$7,316	\$51,294	\$45,833	112%
Peer Support Ministry				
Contributions	\$1,224	\$11,421	\$3,333	343%
GRANTS				
Peer Support Ministry Grants	\$0	\$0	\$6,250	%0
Food Ministry/Garden of Hope				
Grants	\$0	\$43,930	\$12,500	351%
	Oct 2022	Total Contributions to		
CAPITAL CAMPAIGNS	Contributions	Date	Total Project Cost	% of Total
HVAC Project Contributions	\$1,438	\$66,316	\$167,500	40%
AVEL(1) Project Contributions	\$2,263	\$28,283	\$80,000	35%

Financial Record