Announcements January 8, 2023

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 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 best wishes for 2023 to our church family from Norm and Brenda Hunsberger.

Serving Today Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Rick Hausch, Jim Gross; Lector: Donna Kehs Children's Sermon: Nicole Ewing, Acolyte: London Meeker

Next Sunday Head Usher: Ed Becker; Ushers: Adam Becker, Bryce Manthorne; Lector: Ed Becker; Children's Sermon:

Carolyn Springer; Acolyte: Bryce Manthorne

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

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

Prayer 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

AARP Board - Tuesday, 10:00 AM, Room 30 **Chosen 30** - Tuesday, 5:30 PM at Emmanuel Lutheran **Boy Scouts** – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1 **Finance Committee** - Tuesday, 7:00 PM via zoom

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 1:45 PM, portico 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32 Children's Choir – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:00 PM, room 15 Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, room 15

Thursdays at Ten – Thursday, 10:00 AM, room 33 **Bell Choir** – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15 **Worship & Music** - Thursday, 7:00 PM, Music Room 34

Sewing Bee - Saturday, 9:00 AM, Room 32/33

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Rejoicing Spirits - Next Sunday, 2:30 PM

Upcoming Events

<u>Constant Contact</u> 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.

Senior Ministry Discussion Meeting, Monday, January 23 at 10:30 AM in Room 33. A follow-up discussion on topics including the creation of a grieving ministry, ride share, archive initiatives, activities, and more. Please join us if you are interested in getting involved. Please contact Pastor Scott with any questions or ideas.

The church book club will be meeting **Tuesday, February 7** at 6:30 PM at The Grind in Boyertown to discuss Gracie's Secret

by Jill Childs. 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.

We're extending the holiday season! Our Seniors Ministry
Christmas Luncheon and Program is now our "Winter
Luncheon" and has been rescheduled to Thursday, January 12,
at noon. We will still celebrate the recent 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 are
asking folks to bring a dessert treat to share (maybe leftover
Christmas cookies?). A new sign-up sheet will be placed on the
desk in the Welcome Center. Even though the sign-up deadline
has passed, you can still attend, please contact Deacon Carol at
cdetweiler01@comcast.net. And bring a friend or two!

Electronic Drum Set 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 January 8, 2023, at the 9:00 AM worship service, a new electronic drum kit will be dedicated from memorial contributions given in memory of Donna Kehs' mother Nancy Moser.

The new electronic drum kit being used by the GRACE praise band is being dedicated today. The drums were acquired with contributions given to the Memorial Fund in memory of Nancy Moser. She always loved music! Although Nancy usually attended the early service, she would frequently worship at the late service on GRACE Sundays in order to hear the praise band. It is our hope that the new drum kit can enhance the musical

experience as we praise God through both in-person and online worship. The GRACE sound team is now able to control the drum volume electronically which balances the sound with the other instruments and vocals. We are thankful for the donations that made this possible.

You Can Help

Remember the old fashioned Sewing Bee?

It started as a pink pillow given to breast cancer surgery patients to support their incision during post op breathing exercises. The pillows were shaped like a heart to fit under the arm and across their incision.

Since then it has become for anyone having surgery or just needing a HUG. During the height of the pandemic, our supply ran low. New Hanover donates these pillows to local hospitals. We made over 100 pillows almost contactless.

It is time to do it again. Since we are are presently not quarantined, we are going to meet this **Saturday**, **January 14**, **2023**, **at 9:00 AM in Room 32/33**. So mark you calendar. You do not need to be able to sew to join us. There are lots of jobs. If interested please contact the church office or contact Georgann Geiser. Leave a message at 484-680-4287.

NHELC will be collecting non-perishable items throughout the months of December, January, and February. Donations will be distributed through the Pottstown Cluster. Collection boxes are located in the welcome center and the fellowship hall for the donations. During the winter months there is an increased need for soup and crackers. Thank you for your contributions to help those in need.

Please consider **donating 2023 calendars** to be distributed to the inmates at the Phoenix (formerly Graterford) Prison. Please drop off your calendars in the box provided in the Welcome

Center. These calendars are a much-appreciated gift enjoyed by the inmates.

Sponsors needed for 2023. You may now sign up to sponsor flowers, bulletins, communion, and the *Word in Season* online using https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-worship The link is also on the NHELC website on the Get Involved menu. If you prefer, you may also sign up by contacting the church at (610) 326-1335. The suggested donation for the flowers and the *Word in Season* will be increasing to \$40. The bulletins and communion will remain the same at \$20. Thank you for your support!

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.

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

The Word in Season daily devotion books January - March are available in the welcome center and information box located outside by the Sunday school doors. The books are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor

Do you know someone who could use a **prayer shawl** to help bring comfort, healing and good thoughts? If so contact 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 Pastor Scott 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 Pastor Scott at psstaub@gmail.com or call the church office (610-326-1335) to leave him a voice mail. Your prayers will be delivered! Also, you can contact Pastor Scott 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,

I would like to thank you for the food donation! It is really appreciated and a big help to us. When we leave rehab, a lot of us aren't financially sound and need help from others.

Again thank you so much for the donations.

Shawn Baskin

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Trevor Martin, Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Jean Renninger, 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, Robert Ganovsky, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, 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, Feryl Stein, Laurie Scoggins,

Pam Abbott, Holli Muffler, Louise Karns, Mary Van Dyke, Pr. Jennifer Phelps, Jessica Trout, Denny Smith, Verdi Smith, Mabel Gaugler, Andy VanDyke, Pat Freed, Sandy Wesner, Alice Nester

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

For all those who grieve.

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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