# Announcements October 22, 2023

**Help avoid conflicts.** Since activities at the church are back to normal, check with staff before scheduling an event to be held at the church. Also, appointments are requested for staff members.

A Capital Funds Campaign is underway. Help NHELC raise \$74,000 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.

## **Today**

**The bulletin** is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their church family by the Wesners.

**The flowers** are sponsored to the glory of God and in celebration of their 39<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Ron and Lynn Fegley.

**The Word in Season** devotion booklet is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of their daughter Lisa by Pastor Scott and Marsha Staub.

**Serving Today** Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Georgann Geiser and Rick Hausch; Lector: Faye Weidner; Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs and Acolyte: Rae Bechtel

**Serving Next Sunday** Head Usher: Ron Fegley; Ushers: Rick Solazzo and Bryce Manthorne; Lector: Barbara Noecker; Children's Sermon: Carolyn Springer; Acolyte: Bryce Manthorne

**Altar Guild Serving this Month** Nancy Gross, Sue Care and Brenda Hunsberger

**Due to several recent problems**, the Property Committee requests worshippers to refrain from bringing drinks, other than water, into the sanctuary.

Adult Study Forum – The Phoenix Affirmation will meet this morning following the worship service in room 33. Discussion will be on Affirmation 4.

#### 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 JAM – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21 Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:15 AM, sanctuary

Kids' Choir Rehearsal – Today, 11:20 – 11:50 AM, room 15 Pumpkin Frolic – Today, 2:00 – 4:00 PM, room 1

**Prayer Ministry** – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary **Cub Scouts** – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 21-23, 27, 31, 33

Cemetery – Monday, 7:00 PM, room 30

**Boy Scouts** – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, room 1

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

**Troop 367 Committee** – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, room 33

**100 Days to Brave Challenge** – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 29

Bell Choir Rehearsal – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15

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**The Cemetery Committee** will meet on Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 PM in room 30.

**Next Sunday is Pentecost**. Help NHELC celebrate by wearing red to worship.

## **Upcoming Events**

Hot Roast Beef Dinner, Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 – 7:00 PM The Swamp Picnic Hot Roast Beef Dinner is back for its second year. Enjoy a delicious meal of hot roast beef with gravy on white bread, homemade potato filling, green beans, pepper cabbage, applesauce, dessert and a drink. You can eat in or get your meal to go. The cost for a meal is: Adult, \$16; Senior, \$14; 6 to 10 years old, \$8 and children 5 and younger eat free. You MUST make a reservation for your meal(s) by noon on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Reserve your meal(s) online at <a href="http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org">http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org</a>, fill out an order slip at church or call the church office at 610-326-1335.

FRECON FARMS Pie Fundraiser Pack & Troop 367 are offering the Frecon Farms Thanksgiving Pie Fundraiser. Pies may be purchased at \$18/each: Pumpkin, Apple Lidded top, Apple Crumb top and Tart Cherry and \$20/each: Bourbon Pecan Apple, Rum Pecan, Apple Cherry. Also, you can donate a pie to Multi-Service (\$18) for their Thanksgiving dinner bags. Scouts will earn \$4/pie which may be used for summer camp, dues, camping trips and other Scouting activities. A signup sheet is on the desk in the welcome center or go online at https://tinyurl.com/367pies23. Orders are due by Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, if using the signup sheet or Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, if signing up online. Checks are made payable to NHELC-Troop 367. Pies may be picked up at Sara Dawson's home at 2872 Marietta Way, Gilbertsville, on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, from 4:00 – 7:00 PM. Any questions, contact Sara Dawson at saraedawson@vahoo.com or 610-585-3491.

Community Thanksgiving Day Service Celebrate Thanksgiving with those you are thankful for sharing your life. Invite them to join you for a community service at NHELC on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00 AM. A community choir will sing "Thanksgiving Canon" arranged by Anna Laura Page with Rashell Williams on the flute.

The Zion Choral fall schedule is set. Today, Trinity EC Church in Boyertown will host the singers in concert at 3:00 PM. For additional concerts, check out their schedule online at

www.zionchoral.com and follow them on Facebook @ZionChoral. Also, the concert schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the Sunday School wing.

Join New Hanover Area AARP for "The First Noel" at the American Music Theatre on Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Witness the magic and splendor of this year's all new Christmas show, featuring incredible singers, astonishing dancers, wonderous costumes, breathtaking sets and all the endearment of a perfect fireside family moment. Also included is lunch at Miller's Smorgasbord and free time to shop surrounding stores. The bus leaves NHELC's parking lot at 10:30 AM. The cost is \$131.00 (make checks payable to New Hanover Area AARP). Contact Carol Griffith 484-363-7376 for more information and to sign up.

#### **Card Shower**

**Birthday Greetings** Help Verdie Smith celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 26<sup>th</sup>. You can send her birthday greetings at 2849 Big Road, Apt. 3116B, Zieglerville, PA 19492.

**Words of Encouragement** If you would like to send a card to Lucille Powell, here is her address: Reading Hospital Rehabilitation Wyomissing, 2802 Papermill Road, Reading, PA 19610.

## You Can Help

Calling all bakers! Consider making and donating a cake or pie for the Hot Roast Beef Dinner on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Our bakers provided an amazing selection of delicious baked goods for the Great Swamp Picnic and we would love to offer a yummy selection at this dinner. Donation drop off times will be announced. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

**Dreaming of being a TV producer/director?** Sign up with Amy to learn how you can produce and direct our weekly worship service. The sessions will be scheduled for two hours at a time so you can learn and practice using the equipment. There are two spots or one family spot available per training session.

Upcoming sessions include: Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 1 – 3 PM, Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 10 – noon, and Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 6 – 8 PM. Additional dates and times are available.

All Dates are subject to change. A signup Genius is available at www.newhanoverlutheran.org.

Volunteers are needed to help during the church service: Ushers, Lectors, Children's Sermons, Acolytes and Communion Assistants. Contact Faye Weidner at omiweidner@gmail.com or 484-929-5958 if you can help.

**NEEDED:** Gently used children's books for ages Newborn to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade. "Mother Goose: Read to Me" is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting very early literacy with infants and their parents. Experienced volunteers distribute free, age-appropriate books to infants, birth to 18 months, and demonstrate to parents effective ways of talking and reading to babies to help build vocabulary skills. The gently used books are given to the older siblings of the newborn children. Unfortunately, we cannot distribute religious related books. Thank you for your help! Drop off your donations in the box in the Welcome Center. Any questions, contact Marcia Tonkin, "Mother Goose: Read to Me" volunteer at tonkin.3028@comcast.net or 610-220-6018.

## **Food Ministry**

**Turkeys are needed** for Thanksgiving meals prepared by the Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry.

More than 160,000 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/.

#### Pastor Scott and congregation,

I want to thank you for visiting my mother Joan in the hospital when she was ill with COVID. It was comforting and I really appreciated it. It was also a huge blessing for her to receive the delivered meals. She isn't up to cooking much and makes it so much easier for her. With love, Susan Grebe

## **Spiritual Renewal**

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!

**Prayer Warriors Wanted** You are invited to join the warriors on Mondays 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.

## **Reconciling in Christ**

Reconciling in Christ (RIC) is a program of Reconciling Works, an independent Lutheran organization that works collaboratively with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The purpose of the RIC Program is to ensure the welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions; work for racial equity and commit to anti-racist work and support the national program. The RIC program is not a certification or a designation of the ELCA. It is a voluntary program that congregations can choose to participate in. Congregations that participate in the RIC program are listed on the Reconciling Works website and are provided with resources to help them become more welcoming and inclusive communities.

## 100 Days to Brave Challenge

IF Gathering: Oct 22, 2023 – Let Us Love One Another It's officially the season for gathering and, though our plans may look a bit different from seasons past, due to the pandemic and lingering Covid, we are so grateful that coming around the table for a meal is still a tried-and-true tradition, no matter how large our party might be. As we enter into these last few months of 2023, we want to remind you of why we gather.

Growing news of atrocities and war, we've been reminded of how much we really do need each other. When we think of all the times that we've felt most seen, known, and loved as people, it's often revolved around a meal and deep conversation. And that's exactly what our heart is for IF Table.

We believe that God shows up when we sit around our tables and break bread together, and we believe that we can't live life without this kind of fellowship. Coming together at the table allows us to give God away right where we are. Instead of keeping God to ourselves, we have the opportunity to share God with others. But we don't want to simply invite someone over one time and then move on. As Paul writes to the people of Thessalonica, we want to share our whole lives with others.

"Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well."

- 1 Thessalonians 2:8

#### Question 1

What makes you feel seen and loved by other people?

#### Ouestion 2

How does vulnerability make you feel? Do you believe it is necessary in your relationships with others?

## **Prayer Requests**

Long-term: Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Tina

Farrell, Carol Buchholtz Yost

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

Peace for violence in our area and nationally

Toni Rath Katy Mahon-Miller Matt Hall Luann Hanley Carol Estes William Trotter Kathy Kane Maxwell Girard Pat Frver Betty Lou Shadle Jean Renninger Pr. Kork Moyer Julia Hauck Tony Mancini Raul Castro Amy LeVan Jeffrey Kunsch Wilma Lahr Jim Price Melissa Bernadette Phillips Mary Lou Doug Weaver Joan Wagner Robert Ganovsky **Dorothy Bingaman Emily Ocelus** Eric & Wendy Hess Sue Care Deb Matthews Anne Eshleman Daniel Johnson Marceline Chris Fatzinger Hank Droneberg Pena family Kim Frain Jen Perez Frank D. Pam Helfrich Barb & Tom Faust Andy Van Dyke Holli Muffler Janet Pam Abbott Mary Van Dyke Pr. Jennifer Phelps Louise Karns Denny Smith Jessica Trout Verdie Smith Mabel Gaugler Sandy Wesner Helen Foulke Carla Hausmann Joan Price Rodney Snell Betty Seroski Ralph Borneman Ruth Clemmer Lucille Powell Virginia Specht Bill Lowry Tom Fleagle Mary Alice Mack Jeffrey Weems Joan Scheffey Arnold Amundsen

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