# Announcements October 29, 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 and flowers** are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Charles and Helen Eisenhart and Ralph and Ruth Wirt by the Carl Eisenhart family.

**The communion** is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their grandson Ezra's second birthday by Todd and Stacey Rothermel.

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

**Serving Next Sunday** Head Usher: Ed Becker; Ushers: Brian Flack and Rick Hausch; Lector: Leslie Gates: Children's Sermon: Nikki Young; Acolyte: Ron Fegley; Communion Assistants: Barbara Repa and Debbie Solazzo

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

Thank you to John Hazel for leading the Grace Band this morning.

A reception in honor of the first communion class will be held following the worship service this morning in fellowship hall.

Stop by for some refreshments and greet the first communion class: Maddison Grace Hansley, Julia Eileen Hauck, Henry James Houseal, Hunter Joseph Houseal, Adelina Peyton Hubley and Sadie Meghan Hubley.

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

## 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 Reception for First Communion – Today, 10:00 AM room 1 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

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

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

**Property** – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33 **God on Tap** – Thursday, 6:00 PM, PC Pub in Pennsburg **Bell Choir Rehearsal** – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15

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God on Tap Come to dinner and join in the discussion on Paying It Forward this Thursday, 6:00 PM at the PC Pub in Pennsburg. For more information, email Randy Dotterer at <a href="mailto:RDPTW6489@Gmail.com">RDPTW6489@Gmail.com</a> or call/text him at 610-306-0621. God on Tap meets the first Thursday of the month.

**Next Sunday is All Saints Sunday.** NHELC will remember those who have been called home this past year.

# **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 5<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@yahoo.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 NHELC Book Club** is reading *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride. You are invited to join the discussion of this book on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM at the Plaza Azteca in Greshville. Any questions, contact Sharon Tracey.

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

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 in 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.

**Community Thanksgiving Meal** A free Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings is available for all on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 45 North Reading Avenue in Boyertown. RSVP by November 12<sup>th</sup> at stjohnsboyertown.org or 610-369-1024.

#### **Card Shower**

**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

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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.

The Food Ministry continues to grow, serving on average 812 meals per week to our neighbors in need. Because of this growth we are identifying ways to expand our kitchen and food distribution capabilities, increase the size of our garden, building relationships with other organizations with similar missions and considering adding a position to assist with the day-to-day logistics. Below are some of the Food Ministry tasks and tasks where we need more help.

- 1. **Recording meeting minutes** (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month): About 2.5 hours per month. This person would NOT need to be part of the committee.
- 2. **Searching and applying for Grants**: Computer skills and some perseverance will be required. Time commitment varies.
- 3. **Logistics** (multiple opportunities): Assist with day-to-day food acquisition, kitchen maintenance coordination, tracking expenses, and more, 8 10 hours per week.
- 4. **Volunteer coordination**: Assist with the scheduling of volunteers and tasks. Time commitments:
  - a. Garden: varies by season (see #6)
  - b. **Kitchen**: 1-2 hours per week
- 5. **Volunteer time for food preparation** (assist Chef Chris): 4 6 hours per week.
- 6. **Volunteer time in the garden** (seasonal garden prep, planting, watering, weeding, harvesting, prep for winter): Provide whatever time you can.
- 7. Volunteer for food delivery: About 1 hour per week.
- 8. **Join our vibrant committee and help lead our growth and direction**: Time commitment varies based on role and assigned tasks. Two hours minimum for monthly meeting.

Consider joining this amazing team and help serve our neighbors with life sustaining food. If interested in learning more about what the Food Ministry does and how you *might help*, contact Steve Weidner at Stieven.Weidner@gmail.com or call (610) 287-5055 (please leave a message).

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.

## **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 Fryer
Jean Renninger	Pr. Kork Moyer	Betty Lou Shadle
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
Marceline	Anne Eshleman	Daniel Johnson
Chris Fatzinger	Hank Droneberg	Pena family
Kim Frain	Jen Perez	Frank D.
Pam Helfrich	Barb & Tom Faust	Andy Van Dyke
Janet	Pam Abbott	Holli Muffler
Louise Karns	Mary Van Dyke	Pr. Jennifer Phelps
Jessica Trout	Denny Smith	Verdie Smith
Mabel Gaugler	Sandy Wesner	Helen Foulke
Carla Hausmann	Joan Price	Rodney Snell
Ruth Clemmer	Betty Seroski	Ralph Borneman

Lucille PowellVirginia SpechtBill LowryTom FleagleMary Alice MackJeffrey WeemsJoan ScheffeyArnold Amundsen

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