

Announcements

March 3, 2024

Today

We welcome Pastor Wayne Moritz, who will be the presiding pastor this morning.

Last week's flowers were sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Hilda Knauer by Delores Eidle.

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

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of their parents by Doug and Bette Senne.

The communion is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their great-granddaughter Rylee's birthday by Pastor Scott and Marsha.

The Word in Season devotion booklet is sponsored to the glory of God by Don and Jo Anne Wirt.

Serving Today Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Sharon Tracey and Bill Tracey; Lector: Carolyn Fleming; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermeyer; Acolyte: Norm Hunsberger; Communion Assistants: Carolyn Fleming and Brenda Hunsberger

Serving Wednesday Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Usher: Georgann Geiser; acolyte: usher

Next Sunday Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Usher: Jim Dugan; Lector: Donna Kehs; Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs; Acolyte: Landon Woods

Altar Guild members serving this month: Nancy Gross, Sue Care and Brenda Hunsberger

Today is the deadline to order Easter lilies. Order forms are available on the desk in the Welcome Center. Orders along with payment may be placed in the offering plate.

The Nursery room is now open. It is located between the Welcome Center and the Fellowship Hall. Parents are welcome to use the room during worship services as needed. The room

provides for a comfortable play area in a joyful environment, toys and books included. The room has access to a changing room and a private nursing room next door.

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. – 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

Reconciling in Christ – Monday, 7:00 PM, room 30

Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, room 1

NHELC Learning Center/Endowment/Executive – Tuesday, room 33

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 1:30 PM, portico

Lenten Dinner – Wednesday, 5:30 PM, rooms 1, 11

Addiction 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32

Lenten Service of Prayer – Wednesday, 6:30 PM, sanctuary

Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, rm 15

Property – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

God on Tap – Thursday, 6:00 PM, Main St. Pub in Bally

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

Men's Breakfast – Saturday, 8:00 AM, Brookside Family Restaurant

Garden of Hope Clean Up – Saturday, 9:00 AM, garden

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Join in the conversation at the next God on Tap. The discussion topic will be, “Other than casually, do we discuss our faith (dare I say evangelize) with people other than those we know from church? If so, why so? If not, why not?” God on Tap will meet on Thursday, March 7th, at Main St. Pub in Bally at 6:00 PM. For more information, email Randy Dotterer at RDPTW6489@Gmail.com or call/text him at 610-306-0621.

The Men’s Breakfast is this Saturday at 8:00 AM at Brookside Family Restaurant. Come out for good food and friendly conversation. No registration is required. Any questions, contact Ron Fegley at 484-300-3025.

Garden of Hope Clean Up and Planting - Spring is right around the corner, so it’s time to clean up the garden beds. Join us at 9:00 AM on Saturday, March 9th, in the garden for our Spring Clean Up! Wear your garden shoes/boots and gloves and bring a garden rake if you have one. Then on Saturday, March 23rd, at 9:00 AM, we’ll all gather again for our first planting of the year! Hope you can join us! Reach out to Donna Kehs if you have any questions.

Upcoming Events

Christmas decorations in the church cemetery should be removed by **March 10th**.

Join NHELCS’s Fantasy Baseball League. Participants enjoyed NHELCS Fantasy Football league, so now NHELCS is putting together a Yahoo Fantasy Baseball League, “NHELCS All Stars” for fun. It’s a very simple setup, and rookies are welcome. Baseball season is upon us! To get started, just use the link https://baseball.fantasysports.yahoo.com/b1/23328/invitation?key=56529ca1f21f5596&ikey=5a2571f5125c787e&soc_src=app-sh. Any questions about the league, contact Patrick Lucas at pat52376@yahoo.com, or messaged Pat in the NHELCS player’s fantasy football league through Sleeper (BirdBrainz).

NHELCS’s annual Spaghetti Dinner is on Saturday, March 16th, 4:00 – 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. This all-you-can-eat dinner includes spaghetti with homemade meatballs and sauce, homemade bread, salad, drink, Pizzelle and ice cream. BYOB. Adults – \$14.00, Seniors – \$11.00, children ages 7 -12 years-old – \$7.00

and children 6 years-old and younger – free. Meals are available for dine in or take out.

The 2024 Council Installation will be held on Sunday, March 17th, during the worship service.

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 30th, 10 AM This event will include the egg hunt, a story and craft and games. If you would like to help with a game or to read a story, contact Nikki Young at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org or 610-326-1335. Youth help is appreciated! Following the activities, we will have a light lunch of hotdogs, snacks and drinks. This event will be held rain or shine – outdoors, weather permitting, or moved inside if needed.

Will you donate candy?

Candy donations are needed to fill the eggs for the egg hunt. Candy must be smaller and individually wrapped. If you would prefer, cash donations are accepted too. A collection bin for the candy will be in the Welcome Center or see Nikki Young with your donations.

The NHEL C Book Club is reading *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards. You are invited to join in the discussion of this book on **Tuesday, April 2nd**, at 6:30 PM at the Plaza Azteca in Greshville. Any questions, contact Sharon Tracey.

Celebrate everybody's birthday party Sunday, April 14th, 2 – 4 PM in Fellowship Hall Join your church family to celebrate everyone's birthday. We will play games, have cake and ice cream and assemble birthday bags. The decorated bags will be distributed to the children of the families who are served by the Pottstown Cluster food pantry. Attendees are asked to bring any of the following items to be placed in the bags: cake mixes, frosting, birthday candles, **small** packs of birthday plates and napkins (only **unisex** plates and napkins, please). This is a Thrivent Action Team event. You will be able to sign up online on the Sign-Up Genius or on the sheet in the welcome center.

2024 Scuba Kids Camp June 17th – 21st, 9 AM – Noon This year for Kids Camp we are going to dive into friendship with God. Signups are now open for NHEL C's 2024 Scuba Kids Camp. Kids will sing and dance, do crafts, hear stories, have snacks and play games! Adult and youth helpers are needed to make this camp a

success. Campers should be Pre-K – Rising 5th graders. Rising 6th graders and up can be Junior Counselors. You may sign up at vbspro.events/p/8afc23 or go to the information desk in the Welcome Center for blank sign-up forms.

Reconciling in Christ update: The core team would like to thank everyone who’s participated so far in one-to-one discussions around the possibility of New Hanover becoming a Reconciling in Christ church. The feedback and views of the congregation during these individual discussions are a critical part of the journey to understanding if God is calling our church to be welcoming to all - especially to those identifying as LGBTQIA+, racially diverse, or gender diverse. If you wish to participate by becoming a core member or by participating in a one-to-one discussion, contact Sharon Tracey, Diane Bealer, Josh Young, Janet Psota, Rick Hausch or Pastor Scott.

You can help make the new pictorial directory a success! If you haven’t provided your current contact information and family photo, contact Nance White at 610-741-7977 or Nance2237@yahoo.com ASAP. The committee appreciates all the support they receive from the congregation.

The next Marriage Encounter will be held April 5th – 7th at the Heritage Hotel in Lancaster. This year’s theme is “Learn How to Communicate with Your Spouse in a Whole New Way!” For details of this event and to apply, go to GodLovesMarriage.org. Any questions about this event, contact Larr and Denise Etzler at 814-389-2973. **Pre-registration is required by today.**

Resources

The Property Committee has some plywood shelving available for a donation. If interested, contact Jim Gross at 484-333-5162.

Mental Health and Wellness Millions of people across the nation are affected by mental health conditions. Check out the websites below and the resources they have to offer. NAMI has local centers in both Reading and Lansdale. They offer in-person and online support groups.

Contact Information

NAMI Help Line 1-800-950-6242 and is available Monday - Friday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM ET.

Text “Helpline” to 62640 or if in crisis call or text 988.

PA Addiction Helpline 1-800-662-HELP (4357).

Online live chat offered at 1-717-216-0905 or text

Website References

www.NAMI.org National Alliance on Mental Illness

www.ddap.pa.gov Department Drug and Alcohol Prevention

www.nimh.nih.org National Institute of Mental Health

Grieving/Wellness Online Support

<https://grateful.org/welcome/>

“**Once Upon a Prom**” will be hosted by the Boyertown Junior Woman’s Club on March 3rd, 9th and 10th from noon to 4:00 PM. Any junior or senior high school girl in need of a special occasion dress is welcome to come browse our collection of over 800 dresses, in all sizes, plus accessories. This event is held at the Boyertown YMCA NOW located at 301 West Spring Street in Boyertown. The girls are invited to take a dress or two home for a small donation which benefits our local community. For questions, or to donate dresses/accessories, contact Anita Zuber at 610-367-0686 or Judy Leister at 610-858-6796.

You Can Help

Readers are needed for the Good Friday service on March 29th. If you would like to read during this service, sign up on the sheet provided at the Information Desk in the Welcome Center.

Donations for the Boyertown Area Multi-service will be collected throughout March. Collection bins are located in the Welcome Center, Fellowship Hall and the Multi-purpose room. For suggestions of top needed items, check out the article in the March issue of *New Hanover Highlights*.

Thrivent members get free money they can use to help NHELCC programs.

Thrivent Action Teams

Did you know Thrivent members receive free of charge two (2) \$250.00 gifts a year to help our church? For details and help to do this, contact Pastor Scott at psstaub@gmail.com, or call him at 610-326-1335 ext. 1, or logon if you know how to do it alone at

<https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-action-teams>.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

You may also be given free Choice Dollars directly to the church! Simply go onto your account and search for choice dollars at <https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-choice>. You can make a personal donation to New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church and Thrivent pays the processing fees. It's that simple!

Again, contact Pastor Scott if you have any questions or need help navigating the sign-ups.

If not a Thrivent member, you may still donate directly to these ministries. Go to newhanoverlutheran.org to donate, serve or learn more about these ministries.

Wanted: Paid Assistant Caretaker for Cemetery Duties consist of taking care of cemetery and church grounds, helping with maintaining equipment and assisting with funerals. If interested in this position, contact Norm Hunsberger at 484-431-3622 or nhunsberger29@gmail.com. Also, **mowers are needed** too. If interested, contact Norm Hunsberger at the contact information above.

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. **A sign-up Genius is available at www.newhanoverlutheran.org.** All Dates are subject to change.

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.

Food Ministry

More than 160,000 meals have been delivered! NHELHC'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 on the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at <https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/>.

Meals help those in need Hi my name is Rachel, I am the female director and I live in one of the houses that you so kindly donate meals too. I cannot express enough how much gratitude I have for your meals, they really are helpful for when people come in with no money and no way to get their own food, we really appreciate it and the girls are all so grateful as well. These little things like a warm home cooked meal is really what makes feel at home.

Another note of appreciation

Dear Hanover Lutheran,

Thank you so much for your kindness in helping us with Sunday Meals. You have no idea how much it has meant to us. He's been on disability since 2009 and I lost my job 2010 and caregivers for 13 years.

We might be calling on your Lord's work again. Ron has to have 2 more surgeries (shoulder & thumb). GOD BLESS YOU! And thanks again.

Friends in Christ

Ron and Sandy

Prayer Requests

Long-term: Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Tina Farrell, Carol Buchholtz Yost

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: Family and friends of Hilda Knauer

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, Danny Foust

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
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
Pr. Jennifer Phelps	Jessica Trout	Denny Smith
Verdie Smith	Mabel Gaugler	Sandy Wesner
Helen Foulke	Carla Hausmann	Joan Price
Betty Seroski	Ralph Borneman	Lucille Powell
Virginia Specht	Tom Fleagle	Mary Alice Mack
Jeffrey Weems	Joan Scheffey	Arnold Amundsen
Chuck Beck	Diane DeLong	Ally Musser & family
Rich Freed	Marlyn Bieleski	Susie Moyer
Joe	Lee Wesner	Joe
Charla Vandegrift	Herbert Vandegrift	Casey Flack

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With war and calamities surrounding our everyday news, one needs *Hope*. Hope that only can come from a God who loves and cherishes us above all. Hope that is grounded in the word of God and shared by the

testimonies of fellow travelers on this journey in worship together, praise together and pray together. Join us each Sunday for a time to reflect on God's message of Hope and join us each Wednesday Evening for a time to center ourselves in prayer and worship. An evening of prayer as Jesus began, with a time of fellowship in breaking bread together.

Lenten Dinners

- 5:30 PM – Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 20
- Soup, Sandwiches & Chef's Choice

Lenten Worship Schedule

- Midweek Lenten Worship – Holden Evening Prayer in Sanctuary @ 6:30 PM – Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 20
- Sunday Lenten Worship @ 9 AM – March 3, 10, 17, 24

Holy Week Worship

- March 24 – 9:00 AM - Palm Sunday – Communion
- March 28 – 7:00 PM – Maundy Thursday – Communion
- March 29 – 7:00 PM – Good Friday
- March 31 – 9:00 AM – Easter Worship – Communion
Easter morning brunch following worship

Devotionals are available in the Welcome Center, information box outside in portico and online

Gathering News

The Gathering Event for Critical Information Checklist was a huge success. As usual the food was excellent, the fellowship great, and the presenters gave all valuable information. We had 60 people gathered to receive a manual where one or a loved one can find information at a critical moment of health or a catastrophic event. Attorneys Jeffrey Karver and Jamie Ottaviano gave valuable information on wills, advanced health directives, power attorney, and trust laws.

If you would like a copy of the information or for future events, contact Pastor Scott. We look forward to seeing you at our future events. Check out the schedule here or at newhanoverlutheran.org.

NHELC Gatherings – Future Events

Organizing and Downsizing April 11th at Noon to 3 PM

Key Note Speakers Paula Mayewski, streamline specialist, M.Ed. Counselor Education and Emily Mayewski, streamline specialist/designer, AS in Interior Design, BS in Human Development

<https://homestreamspace.com/about-us/>

Lunch (free will offering), fellowship & ideas to help you and your loved ones!

Please bring a desert to share

Childrens Mission Project June 13th at Noon to 3 PM

A mission project to create pillow casings and blankets for children with cancer and those in disaster relief shelters.

Lunch (free will offering), Fellowship & Mission project to help children

Please bring a desert to share

We are looking for ideas for information and projects in the fall.
Contact Pastor Scott at 610 326 1335 or psstaub@gmail.com.

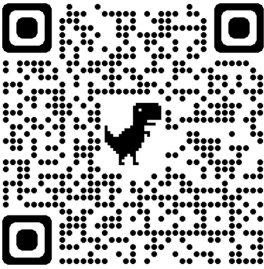
Now you can donate using a QR code

NHELCC offers a new electronic giving method (in addition to the current Simply Giving platform) that allows users to give via ACH and Credit/Debit Cards without the need to maintain a Tithe.ly account. Simply point your smartphone camera at the QR code and follow the link. Select the fund you want to donate to, fill out your payment info, and you're done! It's that easy! Use Tithe.ly when grabbing some food on a Sunday morning from Chef Chris or pay for your Picnic Grove Spaghetti Dinner reservations electronically!

For Simply Giving users, there's no need to change to Tithe.ly. Simply Giving **is not** going away. Using Tithe.ly provides a more streamlined giving platform for "spot" donations (although recurring giving is supported).

For your convenience, QR codes for Tithe.ly and Simply Giving are below.

Tithe.ly QR Code



Simply Giving QR Code

