

Announcements

March 31, 2024

Today

The bulletin is presented to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, Buddie Wolfe, and all of her family members and in-laws by Nancy Wolfe.

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Brian Hansley on his birthday by his granddaughters Madison and Carolina.

The lily cross is presented to the glory of God and in memory of her brother, Paul Pickles, by Carol Estes.

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

Serving Today Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Ushers: Marty Hauser, Ryan Waltermeyer and Georgann Geiser; Lector: Miller Quigley; Children's Sermon: Nikki Young; Acolyte: Elsa Lucas; Communion Assistants: Donna Kehs and Erica Lucas

Next Sunday Head Usher: Ron Fegley; Usher: Ryan Fegley; Lector: Leslie Gates; Children's Sermon: Hayley Quigley; Acolyte: Miller Quigley

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

The Nursery room 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 are included. The room has access to a changing room and a private nursing room next door.

Join in celebration this Easter Day at a brunch following the worship service. The brunch will be held in fellowship hall.

Calendar

Worship Service – Today, 9:00 AM, sanctuary and online

Food Drop Off – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

Easter Brunch – Today, 10:15 AM, rooms 1, 11

Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:15 AM, sanctuary

Book Club – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, Plaza Azteca, Greshville

Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:45 – 8:15 PM, rooms 26, 27, 30 and 33

GriefShare – Wednesday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 33

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, rm 15

Property – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

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

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

Cemetery Cleanup – Saturday, 9:00 AM - noon, cemetery

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. – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 21

Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:15 AM, sanctuary

Kids' Choir Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:20 – 11:50 AM, room
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J.A.M. and the Adult Sunday School class will not be held today. Classes will resume on April 7th.

The church office will close tomorrow so the staff can observe the Easter holiday.

The Prayer Warriors will not meet this Monday for the Prayer Ministry. Join them for prayer next Monday, April 8th, at 1:15 PM in the sanctuary.

The NHEL C Book Club will discuss *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards this **Tuesday, April 2nd**, at 6:30 PM at the Plaza Azteca in Greshville. Any questions, contact Sharon Tracey.

Upcoming Events

Celebrate everybody's birthday party on 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 NHELCC'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 ybspro.events/p/8afc23 or go to the information desk in the Welcome Center for blank sign-up forms.

Get ready... for a celebration! Most church congregations in America can't claim to be around anywhere close to three hundred years, but here at New Hanover we are about to observe *three hundred twenty-five* years of worship. However, to be ready for that celebration we need volunteers – for the Observance Committee and the Historical Research and Archives Committee, which were the teams that prepared and directed the three hundredth in the year 2000. And, we can't delay. It starts even before the beginning of 2025. We need to plan for anniversary related events and special services. For example, those of us who were around here in 2000 should recall that our committee put out a special publication titled, "Moments in Time." We are planning to publish a new edition of that, with some updates and new topics. If you're interested in working with all these preparations, contact Lee Wesner at 215-806-1807, or slwesner@comcast.net. We are beginning to have meetings now! **Don't miss out!**

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.

A bus trip to the Sight & Sound Theater to see "Daniel" will leave the church parking lot on Wednesday, April 24th, at 8:30 AM. The New Hanover Area AARP is hosting this trip and you are invited to join them. The cost is \$160. For more information and to make your reservation, contact Carol Griffith at 484-363-7376.

The Scouts' Hoagie Sale fundraiser is back! FRESH hoagies will be available for pick-up on Saturday, April 27th. Choose from Italian or Turkey hoagies. The Italian hoagies consist of ham, salami, provolone cheese, lettuce, and tomatoes. The turkey hoagies include turkey, provolone cheese, lettuce, and tomatoes. Onions may be requested, and pepper spread is also available on the side by request. The cost is \$7 each for either Italian or Turkey hoagies. The proceeds will help the Scouts defray their cost of attending summer camp and other Scouting activities, after a 10% goodwill donation to NHELIC. Orders can be picked up at the church between 10:30 and 11:00 AM on Saturday, April 27th. The deadline to order is Sunday, April 14th. An order form can be found on the desk in the welcome center. Also, orders may be placed online at 367hoagies.com. You may pay when the hoagies are picked up.

Boyertown Alumni Marching Unit Spring Concert will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024, with a **New Time** of 2 PM located at Boyertown Middle School West in the Donald J. Kuszyk

Auditorium. Tickets can be purchased at the door. We hope you can attend.

Resources

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

The Peer Support Ministry webpage on the church's website (newhanoverlutheran.org) has recently been updated with resources for mental health and wellness. Visit the webpage for information.

Mental Health and Wellness Millions of people across the nation are affected by mental health conditions. NAMI has local centers in both Reading and Lansdale. They offer in-person and online support groups. NHELHC has links with helpful information available on our website (newhanoverlutheran.org) or contact NAMI Helpline or PA Addiction Helpline directly.

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

You Can Help

NHELHC is collecting non-perishable food items and full sized personal hygiene items throughout the months of April, May and June. Donations will be distributed through the Pottstown Cluster. Collection boxes are located in the welcome center, fellowship hall and multi-purpose room for donations. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

Thrivent members get free money they can use to help NHELHC 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.

Thank You

Thank you to the Altar Guild and their helpers for decorating the sanctuary and Welcome Center. Also, thank you to the lily sponsors.

Food Ministry

More than 175,000 meals have been delivered! NHELCL'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 with 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 Tom Fleagle, Marsha Staub's brother

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	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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Easter Lily Sponsors

In memory of Jackie Boyer by James and family

In memory of Jean Boyer by James and families

In memory of her husband, Herbert D. Burkhart, by Janet Burkhart

In memory of Charles and Helen Eisenhart by their children

In memory of Ralph and Ruth Wirt by the Wirt/Eisenhart families

In honor of Brian, Steven, Dee, Erin, and Alex by Carl and Barbara Eisenhart

In memory of her husband, Roy, by Carolyn Fleming

In honor of Kevin and Jenna Fleming by Carolyn Fleming

In memory of Larry Gallagher by his wife, Becky

In memory of Ralph and Lillian Freed and Donald and Joyce Gallagher by Becky Gallagher

In memory of Uncle John Conrad by Jeff and Rick

In memory of Frederick Johnson by Jane Johnson

In memory of John O. Karns by his family

In memory of Lawrence and Nancy Moser by Charlie and Donna Kehs

In honor of their children and grandchild by Charlie and Donna Kehs

In memory of Fred Smith and in honor of Verdie Smith by Kay Kurtz

In memory of their parents, Tom and Pat McHugh and Charles and Catharine Renninger, by Tom and Jayne

In honor of their children and grandchildren by Tom and Jayne McHugh

In memory of Philip and Myrtle Bechtel and Ken, Helen, and Mark Noecker by Lincoln and Barbara Noecker



In memory of Wally and Mary Van Dyke by the Phillips/Van Dyke families

In honor of their grandchildren, Zach and Samantha Litchert, Sami, Craig, Steven, Rosey, and Paige, by David and Dorothy Pollock

In honor of their great-grandchildren, Tori, Stevie, Lily, Mia, Ethan, and Maggie, by David and Dorothy Pollock

In memory of loved ones by the Rothermel family

In honor of the staff and volunteers at NHELCC by Todd and Stacey Rothermel

In memory of their parents and in honor of their family by Doug and Bette Senne

In memory of Megan Marie Weaver by her parents, Doug and Helen Weaver

In memory of Ken and Ann Kissinger and Leland, Sr., and Kathryn Wesner by Lee and Sandy Wesner

In honor of the Chancel Choir by Harry and Nance White

In honor of Pastor Scott and Marsha Staub by Nancy Wolfe

In honor of the Grace Band and all the brass players by Nancy Wolfe

In honor of the Chancel, Handbell, and Children's Choirs by Nancy Wolfe

In honor of the entire staff at NHELCC by Nancy Wolfe

AVEL Systems Paid OFF! Let's Celebrate!

AVEL Debt Retirement Party Sunday, April 28th, after worship

The Sanctuary Audio/Visual/Electrical systems are paid off! Thank you for everyone who contributed to the sound/visual/electrical enhancements to our worship space. The project improved the safety and modernized our historic sanctuary's electrical system. In addition, we enhanced our sound system, as well as adding a visual system and control area to bring state of the art streaming capabilities.

The project was made possible by your monetary donations. However, the worship and church property committees along with crucial volunteers made the project economically feasible. Without you and the volunteers, this dream may not have occurred. So, we thank everyone for their generosity.

Join everyone on Sunday, April 28th, after worship for cake and refreshments in the fellowship hall.

The capital campaign is still active as we have approximately \$60,000 to pay off for our heating and air-conditioning upgrades to our facility. These crucial upgrades have provided year-round comfortable environments for worship, ministries, choirs, bands, and education for all ages. In addition, our building is host to many organizations that serve our community. Please consider supporting this campaign.

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 in 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

A sign-up is in the Welcome Center or go online at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-48742831-nhelc>.

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 a church dinner 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

