

Announcements

April 21, 2024

Today

The bulletin and flowers are presented to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Tim and Vicki Mutter.

The Word in Season devotion booklet is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of the youth in their church family by Steve and Faye Weidner.

Thank you to the NHELC youth who will be leading the worship service this morning. **A special collection** will be received this morning for Flutter, the church's youth group. Your donation will help support the many activities our youth participate in throughout the year.

Serving Today Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Ushers: Landon Woods, Alexa Moser and Brett Boyer; Lectors: Kayleigh Urbassik and London Meeker; Children's Sermon: Emily Gates and Elsa Lucas; Acolyte: Landon Woods; Skit Participants: Genesis Garcia, Madison Hansley, Ava Hubley, Malaina Meeker, Miller Quigley and Hannah Waltermyer

Next Sunday Head Usher: Jeff Wise; Usher: Bill Allen; Lector: Leslie Gates; Children's Sermon: Nikki Young; Acolyte: Alexa Moser

Altar Guild members serving this month: Deb Solazzo, Barb Eisenhart, Corrine Bartholomew and Judy Sloan.

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.

Doors leading to fellowship hall and the education wing remain locked during the worship service for the safety of all.

Rejoicing Spirits worship service This ministry supports people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, providing a meaningful worship experience for people of all abilities. All are

welcome. For more information, contact Donna Kehs or Stacey Rothermel.

Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church will host a concert this afternoon at 4:00 PM by Alan Morrison, head of the Organ Department at The Curtis Institute of Music, college organist at Ursinus College and organist in residence at Spivey Hall, Clayton State University. The concert will be held at Jerusalem located at 311 Second Street in Schwenksville.

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

Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 – 4:00 PM, sanctuary, welcome center and 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

Primary Election – Tuesday, all day, room 1

Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, rooms 21, 23-27, 30, 32-34

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

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

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

Scout Hoagie Sale Fundraiser – Saturday, 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM, room 1

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
AVEL Debt Retirement Celebration – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM,
room 1
J.A.M. – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 21
Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:15 AM, sanctuary
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Upcoming Events

AVEL Debt Retirement Party Sunday, April 28th, after worship Come celebrate with fellowship, 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.

Geraniums for decorating the sanctuary on Pentecost may be ordered. Order forms are available on the desk in the welcome center. The suggested donation is \$5.50 for a single geranium and \$20 for a 10" pot with three geraniums. Orders are due April 28th.

The next Gathering event, a Childrens Mission Project, will be held on Thursday, June 13th, from noon to 3 PM.

Gathering of Daughters Sunday, May 5th, Noon In honor of Mother's Day, ladies and daughters are invited for a Cinco de Mayo themed lunch and fellowship. We will have a taco bar, macaroni and cheese, applesauce and desserts. Come for a fun afternoon of Cinco de Mayo themed activities and crafts. There will be a sign-up sheet on the desk in the welcome center or you can sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-48742324-gathering>. **Reservations are due by Sunday, April 28th**. There is no charge for attending but everyone is asked to participate in the service project by bringing diapers and/or baby wipes to be distributed to local families in need through the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. If you have any questions about this event, contact Jean Moser at 610-367-0342.

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 NHELCS'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.

Camp Falckner, an overnight camp in the picnic grove, will be held Monday, July 22nd, - Thursday, July 25th. All youth who will have finished 5th - 12th grade by the end of the school year are welcome to attend. Registration is now open! Forms can be found in the Welcome Center or on the church website. Online registration is also an option. Questions? Reach out to Lindsey Waltermeyer.

The NHELC Book Club is reading *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. You are invited to join the discussion of this book on Tuesday, June 4th, at 6:30 PM at the Plaza Azteca in Greshville. Any questions, contact Sharon Tracey.

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.

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.

The Pottstown CROP HUNGER WALK and fun run hosted by Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities will be held on Sunday, May 5th, at 2:00 PM at the Hill School. This one mile or 5K event will raise awareness and funds for local and global food security. To participate or to donate, go to pottstowncluster.org/pottstowncrophungerwalk2024. Questions, email communications@pottstowncluster.org or call 610-970-5995.

The Sanatoga Fire Company will host a drug take back event on Saturday, April 27th, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. This event will assist you to safely dispose of your unused medications.

Resources

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. NHELIC 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

You can donate to NHELC ministry electronically. Simply point your smartphone camera at one of the QR codes below and follow the link.

Tithe.ly QR Code



Simply Giving QR Code



NHELC 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. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

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 175,000 meals have been delivered! NHEL C'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 Dear pastor. I write this thanking you all for the hard work you put into making all the meals you prepare for unity. We are very fortunate and grateful for all time you all put into everything. Thank you so much. Dylan S.

Another note of appreciation

Hello,

I just want to take this time to thank you and the lady's that take the time out of each week to make our house at 367 chestnut, the delicious meals. We can't explain how grateful we are for you and the lady's at the church to do that for all the men and women each week. It truly is a blessing and we appreciate it so very much.

Thank you,

The women at 367 chestnut st.

Thank You

Thank you for your recent donations to the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. NHEL C donated 108 lbs. to help our neighbors.

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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Treat Mom for Mothers' Day and Support the Youth

Saturday, May 11th

Pancake Breakfast

7:30 – 11:00 AM

Fellowship Hall

NHELIC's Scouts BSA Troop 367 will host the pancake breakfast. Enjoy a hearty breakfast including pancakes and sausage with an optional addition of "Deluxe" toppings.



Suggested Donation

\$10 for ages 11 and up

\$8 for ages 5-10

Free for ages 4 and under

Add \$2 for Fresh Fruit / Whipped Cream / Chocolate Chips.

Car Wash

8:30 – 11:30 AM

Parking Lot

NHELIC's Flutter youth group will host this event.

A free-will donation will be received to help fund the youth activities.

