

Announcements

November 3, 2024

Today

We welcome Mr. Jeffrey K. Brunner, director of choirs at Boyertown Area Senior High in Boyertown, Pennsylvania and the Boyertown Area High School Show Choir. Please welcome and join Mr. Brunner and the show choir at our reception after the worship in the fellowship hall. Contributions to the program can be made at Boyertown Music League, Boyertown Area Senior High, 120 North Monroe Street, Boyertown, PA 19512.

The bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of her mother, Verdie Smith, by Kay Kurtz.

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ralph and Ruth Wirt by the Wirt and Eisenhart families.

Also sponsoring this Sunday to the glory of God in loving memory of John O. Karns by his family.

Serving Today Head Usher: George Trowbridge, Ushers: Sharon Tracey and Bill Tracey, Lector: Barbara Noecker, Children's Sermon: Nikki Young, Acolyte, Ainsley Lucas

Next Sunday Head Usher: Marty Hauser, Usher: Bryce Manthorne, Lector: Brenda Hunsberger, Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs, Acolyte: Rae Bechtel

Altar Guild members serving this month: Jean Moser, Jane Johnson and Jo Anne Wirt

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.

Hey kids. We're hosting 325th Anniversary activities following the worship service this morning. Come check them out in room 21.

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

Anniversary Activities – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21

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

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Cub Scout Pack 367 – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 21-25, 27, 30, 33

Election – Tuesday, room 1

GriefShare – Tuesday, 10:00 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 – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 PM, room 15

Property – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

TLC Sewing – Thursday, 10:00 AM, room 1

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

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

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

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

Ordinary Holiness Yoga – Saturday, 8:30 – 9:30 AM, room 21

Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner – Saturday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM, rooms 1, 11

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

TLC Sewing is a new ministry starting at New Hanover. This is an outgrowth of the Gatherings, that produced pillowcases and quilts for critically ill children. The first sewing session will be on Thursday, November 10th, from 10:00 AM to whenever. They will be making winter hats for chemo patients, who have lost their hair, and for the homeless. Contact Sandy Wesner at 610-417-1968 (DO NOT TEXT) or email slwesner@comcast.net to sign up or for more information. Many charitable projects are being considered. The group will meet probably four – six times a year. Non-sewers are needed too. Join the fellowship while serving others!

The next God on Tap will continue last month's discussion on the acceptance of people who might look, speak or have different ideologies than "me" ("Me" being each and every one of us). Last month's discussion was very well received. At the November God on Tap, members of the Reconciling in Christ will share what they have learned and what they see for NHELCC's future. God on Tap will meet on Thursday, November 7th, at 6:00 PM, at Main St, Bally. Contact Randy Dotterer at 610-306-0621 or rdptw6489@gmail.com with any questions and to sign up.

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.

New Yoga Class to begin A fall yoga class is forming based on the theme, "Ordinary Holiness." Whether you're a beginner or advanced, join the sessions on **Saturdays, November 9th, 16th and 23rd from 8:30 – 9:30 AM**. Class will focus on breathwork, mindfulness, gentle flow of movement to stretch and strengthen. Participants will journey inward to find holiness in the ordinary, peace through practicing being in the present moment. Anyone age 13 years and up (13–17-year-olds should be accompanied by an adult) can join. Classes are free-will donation-based. Pay in cash or by check (payable to NHELCC, note: food ministry). For more information and to sign up, contact Leslie Gates.

Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner, hosted by the Swamp Picnic Committee is on Saturday, November 9th, from 4:00 – 7:00 PM. You will enjoy a delicious meal of roasted pork and sauerkraut,

mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, applesauce, drink and dessert. You can eat in the Fellowship Hall or get your meal to go. Adults meals are \$16, senior meals are \$14, 6- to 10-year-old meals are \$8, and children 5 and younger eat free.

Calling all bakers! We need your help. Will you make a cake or pie donation for the Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner? Our bakers provided an amazing selection of delicious baked goods for the Great Swamp Picnic and we would love to be able to offer a yummy selection at this dinner.

Donations can be dropped off in the church kitchen on Friday, November 8th, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon or Saturday, November 9th, any time between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

Poinsettias add beauty to sanctuary Help decorate the sanctuary this Christmas with poinsettias. The Altar Guild will order plants in 6.5” pots with five blooms. The suggested donation is \$11.00 per plant. Plants may be sponsored in memory of (for someone who has passed away) or in honor of (someone who is living). The sponsored plants will be listed in the Christmas Eve bulletins.

To sponsor one or more plants, complete a Poinsettia Order form and return the form along with payment (checks made payable to NHELCC) to the church. Be sure to include the number of plants you would like. Also, be sure to mark the order form if you will pick up your plants or if you wish to have the plant given to a homebound member. Plants may be picked up AFTER the 8:00 PM Christmas Eve Service. If you are unable to pick up your poinsettia at that time, call or text Barb Eisenhart at 610-316-5909. Order forms are available on the desk in the welcome center or call the church office for a form. Forms and payment should be mailed to the church office, placed in the offering plate, or dropped off at the mail slot by the fellowship hall entrance. **Orders are due by Monday, November 24th.**

Kids and youth This year’s Christmas Pageant requires very little rehearsal time! Rehearsals will be held during JAM on Sundays, December 1st and 8th, (10:15-11:15). The pageant will be held on Sunday, December 15th, following worship and in place of JAM.

Parents, let Nikki Young know if your child would like to participate. Older kids and youth are needed to read. We have plenty of parts for the younger ones too. The pageant, Scuba Christmas, will feature both music from this year's Kids Camp program as well as holiday favorites.

The NHEL C Book Club is reading *All the Colors of Dark* by Chris Witaker. All are welcome to join the Book Club on Tuesday, December 3rd, at 6:30 PM for dinner and book discussion. Readers will meet at Barrel and Ale (**please note the new location**), 961 North Reading Avenue in Boyertown. If you have any questions about this event, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

Resources

Do you enjoy the praise band songs? Would you like to get to know them better? This [playlist](#) includes over fifty songs that our praise band has done, and more will be added in the future. You will need to download Spotify (it's free!) to listen to the songs.



Peer Support Information The Ferns Peer Run Respite is a local mental health non-profit resource in Montgomery County. The Ferns provides a supportive and calm environment for individuals in need and not able to interact in other available mental health resources. The Ferns is totally peer supported and allows individuals at the respite the time they may need to recover or seek additional treatment. If you know an individual who may need this service, contact the church and leave a message for the peer support program or reach out to Pastor Scott.

The Peer Support Ministry webpage on the church's website (newhanoverlutheran.org) offers 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. National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) has local centers in both Reading and Lansdale. They offer in-person and online support groups. NHEL C 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 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

NHELK is collecting non-perishable items for Boyertown Area Multi-Service throughout November. Collection boxes are located in the welcome center, fellowship hall and multi-purpose room.

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

Tithe.ly QR Code



Simply Giving QR Code



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 200,000 meals have been delivered! NHELK’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/>.

Thank You Note: NHELC Food Ministry,
Please accept this small donation to help with your Christian example of sharing.
And a special blessing for Vicki and Tim Mutter's reliable and cheerful delivery service. John M.

Reconciling in Christ

Do you want to participate in a one-to-one discussion around the possibility of New Hanover becoming a Reconciling in Christ church, welcoming to all - especially to those identifying as LGBTQIA+, racially diverse, or gender diverse, contact Sharon Tracey, Diane Bealer, Josh Young, Janet Psota, Rick Hausch or Pastor Scott.

Got a question for the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) team about their journey? Jot down your question (paper provided at the desk) and put it in the box on the desk in the Welcome Center. The team will try to answer your question(s). Be sure to provide your preferred contact information.

Pronouns – Why are they important? November 24th
We welcome Dr. Dolly Singley, (she, hers, her), Director for Disability Services and 504 Coordinator Institute for Student Success at Ursinus College for a Temple Talk during worship on November 24th. Afterwards, during the adult Sunday School hour, Dr. Singley and members of the team will be available for questions and further discussion in Room 33 of the Christian Education Wing.

“Taking a closer look: What the Bible does and doesn't say about homosexuality” January 12th

Fellowship Hall - 10:15 AM

The Bible is often used against 2sLGBTQIA+ people to prove that they are condemned by God, and sometimes to justify discrimination and even violence against them. Most often people point to a few verses scattered throughout scripture to justify this. In this workshop we will examine some of these texts, and explore how to respond when the Bible is used against 2sLGBTQIA+

people.

“Allyship” January 19th

Allyship is an action verb defining the lifelong process of building relationships based on trust, consistency, and accountability with minoritized individuals and/or groups of people with the strategic intentions to become collaborators to promote equity.

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The Church Staff wishes to thank everyone for the reception and all the kind words, cards and gifts of appreciation. Your affirmations go a long way in inspiring us in God’s service to this great community of faith.

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, Kyle Woods, Danny Foust

Peace for violence in our area and nationally

Katy Mahon-Miller	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	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	Verdie Smith
Mabel Gaugler	Sandy Wesner	Helen Foulke
Carla Hausmann	Joan Price	Betty Seroski
Ralph Borneman	Lucille Powell	Virginia Specht
Jeffrey Weems	Joan Scheffey	Arnold Amundsen
Chuck Beck	Ally Musser & family	Rich Freed
Joe	Joe	Casey Flack
Tim Mutter	Denton Quick	David Helfrich, Sr.
Tara Houck	Patricia Kemp	Ron Seasholtz
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Penny Garber
Hazel LeVan	Lynn Amundsen	Harry White
Darlene Latshaw	David Gottshall	

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Still Making History

Welcome to **BASH** (Boyertown Area Senior High) **Show Choir**

Soprano 1

Kacie Dieser, Sadie Hanish, Delainie Jackson, Maya Lopez,
Cassidy Nuss, Tia Ryan

Soprano 2

Ashtyn Ehst, Kaitlyn McIlhinney, Madeline Kunsch, Ivy Metzler,
Kailey Reinboth

Alto 1

Keira Comfort, Bailey Currier, Emily Gates, Regan Kretovich,
Shawn Marie Moser, Hannah Paul

Alto 2

Alissa Desimone, Reagan Vining

Tenor 1

Riley Comfort, Aaron Maniphone, Gage McGrory, Carson Snyder

Tenor 2

James Thivierge, Daniel Villette

Bass 1

Elijah Brown, Mason Carlile, Jack Gorman, Kolby Grim, Wyatt
Hodgdon, Harrison Maxymillian, Chris Spece

Bass 2

Christian Calautti, Sam Elliott, Stephen Kelly, Matthew
Kemmerer, Cole Major

Boyertown High School currently enrolls 2,400 students and over 150 students are currently enrolled in choir. Choirs currently include a mixed-voice Concert Choir, 10th - 12th grade select Show Choir, and a select treble choir, called Voces Excelsis. The groups rehearse daily as part of the curricular school day, and the select groups practice in the evenings, after school and before school.

The music department at Boyertown has had a long tradition of excellence. The ensembles have been featured at Pennsylvania Music Educators Association, National Association for Music Education, and American Choral Directors Association conferences. In January of 2023 the Select Choir returned to Carnegie Hall in New York City. In the recent past, the choir has been invited to a number of adjudications, festivals, and conferences including a trip to Philadelphia to perform at Temple University this past October. In March 2023, the BASH Music Department performed during Holy Week in London, England. In April of 2024, the choir will be performing in Boston, MA.

The district music department is staffed by 17-talented, hardworking faculty members who strive for the advancement of quality music K-12. The department also receives strong support from the community, administration, and the Boyertown Area Music League, all of whom helped make today's performance possible. Please follow @BASHChoirs on Instagram to see all their exciting adventures.

Jeffrey K. Brunner is the director of choirs at Boyertown Area Senior High in Boyertown, Pennsylvania and has taught K-12 in the Boyertown Area School District since 2005. Under his direction, the Boyertown choirs have performed at numerous adjudications, at Carnegie Hall, and in Austria, the Czech Republic, the United Kingdom, and Spain. He is the past director of the Berks Youth Chorus in Reading, PA. Mr. Brunner earned a Bachelor of Music in Music Education, *cum laude*, from Mansfield University and a Master of Arts in Music Education from Teachers College, Columbia University. He is an active member of PMEA and ACDA for which he has presented numerous repertoire and interest sessions. His select choir was invited to perform at the American Choral Directors Association 2017 and 2018 Fall

Conferences. Mr. Brunner also enjoys working as the guest conductor at various high school, middle school, and children's honor choirs across Pennsylvania, New York and Virginia.

Upcoming BASH Events

Holiday Choral/Orchestra Concert

Wednesday, December 18th

7 PM

BASH Musical, *Once Upon A Mattress*

Thursday – Sunday, March 13th - March 16th

BASH Spring Choral Concert

Thursday, April 24th

7 PM