

# Announcements

March 2, 2025

## Today

**The flowers** are sponsored to the glory of God and in celebration of their daughter Hadley's sixth birthday by Danielle and Jim Dugan.

**Today:** Head Usher: Bill Allen, Usher: Dee Singley, Lector: Ron Fegley, Children's Sermon: Nikki Young, Acolyte: Maddie Artim

**Ash Wednesday 12:00** Head Usher: Steve Weidner, Usher: Terry Santangelo, Acolyte: Usher

**7:00** Head Usher: Jim Gross, Usher: Yvonne Peto, Acolyte: Faye Weidner

**Next Sunday** Head Usher: George Trowbridge, Ushers: Sharon and Bill Tracey, Lector: Stacey Rothermel, Children's Sermon: Ariel Hansley, Acolyte: Genesis Garcia, Communion Assistants: Carolyn Fleming and Nikki Young

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

**The Nursery room** is located between the Welcome Center and the Fellowship Hall. Parents are welcome to use the room during worship 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.

**New Hanover's Got Talent so come check it out!** This morning, following the worship service join in the fun for the Fastnacht social and talent show in fellowship hall. This event is being planned by the 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee.

## 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, kitchen door

**Fastnacht Social** – Today, 10:15 AM, rooms 1, 11

**Prayer Ministry** – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

**Cub Scout Pack 367** 6:30 – 8:30 PM, 1, 4, 14, 21-24

**Scouts BSA Troop 367** – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:15 PM, room 1

**Ash Wednesday Worship Service** Wednesday, 12:00, sanctuary

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

**Food Delivery Pickup** – Wednesday, 1:00 PM, kitchen door

**Addiction 12 Step** – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 24

**Chancel Choir** – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:00 PM, room 15

**Ash Wednesday Worship Service** Wednesday, 7:00 PM,  
sanctuary

**GriefShare** – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, welcome center

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

**Addiction 12 Step** – Thursday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 24

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

**Crossover Banquet Set-up** – Friday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM, rooms 1,  
11, 14

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

**Crossover Banquet** – Saturday, 3:00 – 8:00 PM, rooms 1, 11, 14

**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, kitchen door

**J.A.M.** – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 21

**KFC Rehearsal** – Next Sunday, 11:00 AM

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

**Confirmation** – Next Sunday, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, St. Luke,  
Gilbertsville

**God on Tap** is this Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, at Main St. Pub in Bally, beginning at 6:00 PM. The topic of discussion will be, “But I’m just one. What can ‘I’ do? How can little ole me make a difference?” RSVP by Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, to Randy Dotterer 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.

## **Upcoming Events**

**Midweek Lenten Dinner & Worship** Come join us each Wednesday beginning March 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall for Good Food & Fellowship. A Holden Evening Prayer Worship will begin at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary.

### **Spaghetti Dinner Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 – 7:00 PM**

NHELCS's annual **all-you-can-eat** Spaghetti Dinner will soon be here! Enjoy all the spaghetti with homemade meatballs, homemade sauce, homemade Italian bread, salad and beverage you want. Be sure to save room for ice cream and Pizzelle for dessert.

#### **BYOB**

The Spaghetti Dinner is a fundraising event to help maintain the picnic grove and support youth activities. No reservation is required.

Adults - \$16.00

Seniors (65 and older) - \$12.00

Children (7-12) - \$8.00

Children (6 & younger) - free

**Children's Day Celebration is March 16<sup>th</sup>.** Since the congregation's forming in 1700, the church has been blessed to have families with children from generation to generation. This year, the 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee wants to highlight our children on Children's Day, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Our younger-aged children will take part in leading the service and provide special music. Parents, bring your children to church on this day to receive a special blessing and so the congregation can give thanks for these young ones who are the future of our church. Following the service, there will be a light reception. This day is in addition to Youth Sunday which is being planned by our older youth on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Come and celebrate the future leaders of NHELCS!

**Box City is Coming** This year, we are hosting Box City, a homeless experience and lock-in for our youth and youth within

the SEPA Synod. Volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up for dinner on Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, and to help with a simple continental-type breakfast on Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you can help with some overnight security as well, reach out to Nikki Young.

**Lilies will adorn the sanctuary on Easter, April 20<sup>th</sup>.** A suggested donation per plant is \$11.00. Sponsor forms are available in the bulletin, newsletter and Welcome Center. Fill out a form indicating how many plants you wish to sponsor and how they should be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin. Also, indicate if you will be picking up your plant(s) or if you wish for them to be delivered to homebound members. Plants may be picked up **after the 9:00 AM Easter service.** Place the form and your payment (checks payable to NHELC) in an envelope and then in the offering plate, the mail slot at the Fellowship Hall door, or mail to the church office. Forms and donation are due by **March 30, 2025.**

**The NHELC Book Club** is reading *Echo of Old Books* by Barbara Davis. We will be meeting at Peppe's Pizza and Grill, 2485 Swamp Pike, Gilbertsville on Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 PM. Join the club for an evening of fellowship and fun! If you have any questions about this event, contact Sharon Tracey at [LBD36@aol.com](mailto:LBD36@aol.com).

**Kids Camp Registration is NOW OPEN!** We are heading North for Kids Camp this year! The NHELC True North Kids Camp will be June 16<sup>th</sup> – June 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – noon. Potty trained preschoolers – rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to attend. Youth headed to 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up are welcome to be junior counselors. Register and/or sign up to volunteer NOW! Go to <https://vbspro.events/p/35b361>.

**GriefShare Group** If you or someone you know is dealing with grief due to the loss of a loved one, join a new GriefShare group hosted by NHELC. The group meets on Thursday mornings from 10:00 - 11:30 AM. You may sign up online <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/259900> or contact Nikki Young.

**NHELC 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Spirit Wear and Accessories Online Shop** will soon be open. We are excited to partner with a local

company that will make items such as polos, t-shirts, hoodies and other accessories available for order with our 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo. More details are coming soon.

**Save the date!! The Reconciling in Christ (RIC) team has scheduled a virtual Town Hall** for Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 PM. There will be a location set aside at the church, for members who don't want to attend virtually. A panel, consisting of four people from Lutheran churches in our area that have gone through the RIC journey, will be telling us about their RIC experiences and you will have the opportunity to ask them questions.

The participants are: Pastor Daniel Eisenberg, Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Mayfair (Philadelphia), Pastor Keith Anderson, Pastor of Upper Dublin Lutheran Church (Ambler), Stephanie Jacob, member of the RIC core team at Upper Dublin Lutheran Church and Lee Shannon, member of the RIC core team at Trinity Lutheran Church, Kutztown.

More information will be shared soon.

The RIC team is looking forward to this event and hope that you will plan to join them!

## **Want to be a member?**

Please fill out a yellow card, "Your Voice from the Pew", located in the pew rack and give to Pastor Scott or place the card in the offering plate. Check off "Interest in Church Membership."

## **Resources**

**The 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee has made available a coloring book** and crayons for "kids from one to ninety-two" who like to color. The book makes a nice keepsake as it contains some historical facts about the church. Also, the committee is providing a wrapper in which you may place your copies of Moments in Time. All of these items are in the Welcome Center on top of the display case near the photo display panels. If you are missing any Moments in Time inserts, you may contact Susan in the church office or see Lee Wesner or Barbara Eisenhart.

**Want to keep up** with all the latest news from NHELHC? Subscribe to the bi-weekly Constant Contact communication emails. You will receive a weekly announcement on Monday and a worship reminder on Saturday. If you are not already receiving these emails, you can use this QR code and sign up today using a very simple, secure site.



**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](http://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. NHELHC has links with helpful information available on our website ([newhanoverlutheran.org](http://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

**Pictorial Directory** Send pictures of members, classes and group activities to Nance White at [Nance2237@yahoo.com](mailto:Nance2237@yahoo.com) as soon as possible to be included in the new pictorial directory.

**You can donate to NHELC 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](mailto:omiweidner@gmail.com) or 484-929-5958 if you can help.

## Food Ministry

**More than 200,000 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 on the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at <https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/>.

## Reconciling in Christ Serving All and Loving Unconditionally

**The RIC team would like to hear from you!** The team asks you to complete the survey that is in today's bulletin. After completion, return it to the basket on the stage in Fellowship Hall. After today,



the basket will be on the table (where the name tags are) in the Welcome Center. Or, you can place your completed survey in the mail slot or return it to the church office. Also, the survey will be included in the upcoming newsletter. We would like the surveys to be returned by March 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Recently the RIC team arranged for two presentations.** The presentations, “LGBTQIA+ 101” and “Pronouns-Why They Are Important”, are now on the church website under the Reconciling In Christ Journey page. In case you



missed the presentations or would like to watch them again, you will find them by entering this link in your web browser: <https://newhanoverlutheran.org/reconciling-in-christ/> or connect using this QR Code.

<b>General Fund Financial Summary - YTD 2025</b>			
<b>Month</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Difference</b>
January	\$ 27,384.16	\$ 40,870.67	\$(13,486.51)
	<b>Balance</b>	<b>as of date</b>	
<b>General Fund - Cash on Hand</b>	\$ 76,680.00	1/31/2025	



## Prayer Requests

Long-term: Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: family and friends of Carol Buchholtz Yost (Nance White's sister)

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 Hauck	Patricia Kemp	Ron Seasholtz
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Penny Garber
Hazel LeVan	Lynn Amundsen	David Gottshall
Kate Brunick & family	Pat Green	Paul Knauer
Suzanne Dodge	Bill Bauer	Sue Lowry
Dave Pollock		

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