

Announcements

April 6, 2025

Today

The bulletin and flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Vicki and Randy Dotterer.

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

Today: Head Usher: Ron Fegley, Usher: Ryan Fegley, Lector: Brenda Hunsberger, Children's Sermon: Nicole Ewing, Acolyte: Collins Quigley

Wednesday: Head Usher: Marty Hauser, Usher: Faye Weidner, Acolyte: usher

Next Sunday Head Usher: Marty Hauser, Ushers: Bryce Manthorne and Rick Solazzo, Lector: Barbara Noecker, Children's Sermon: Nikki Young, Acolyte: Ainsley Lucas, Communion Assistants: Erica Lucas and Terry Santangelo

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 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.

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

J.A.M. – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21

KFC Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 AM

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, 4, 14,
21-24

Fashion Show Fitting – Monday, 6:30 PM, sanctuary

AARP Board – Tuesday, 10:00 AM, room 14

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

Finance – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, Zoom

Women's Breakfast – Wednesday, 8:30 AM, Shorty's Sunflower
Café, Pottstown

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

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

Lenten Dinner – Wednesday, 5:30 – 6:30 PM, rooms 1, 11

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

Lenten Service – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:00 PM, sanctuary

Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, room 15

Food Ministry Board – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 14

Cub Parents Planning – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, offsite

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

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

Addiction 12 Step – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, room 24

Scout District Roundtable – Thursday, 7:30 – 9:00 PM, room 1

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

Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, 10:30 AM

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

Baptisms – Next Sunday, 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM, sanctuary and
room 1

Confirmation – Next Sunday, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, St. James
Pottstown

Rejoicing Spirits – Next Sunday, 3:00 – 4:30 PM, sanctuary and
room 1

Women's Breakfast is this Wednesday, 8:30 AM at Shorty's
Sunflower Café on North Charlotte Street in Pottstown.

Reservations are needed. To reserve your seat, contact Sandy Wesner at 215-679-9021 or email slwesner@comcast.net by Tuesday noon. And don't forget, husbands are invited too.

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.

Lenten Activities

This year's theme is "The Hardest Part: Hurt we carry. – Hope we find." Join us on Sunday mornings for worship at 9:00 AM. Continue on with this series for an Adult Discussion Forum at 10:15. Meet at the roundtable in the Multi-purpose room.

Midweek Lenten Dinner and Worship Come join us each Wednesday at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall for good food and fellowship. A Holden Evening Prayer Worship will begin at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary.

Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 12th. Due to the construction, we will host two hunts based on the age of the child. First grade and younger will hunt at 10:30 and second grade and older at 11:00. Following the two hunts a light lunch consisting of hot dogs, chips and cake will be provided. Please help us out with planning by letting us know how many will be joining us. If you have kids in both age groups or one time works better than another, feel free to attend what works best for your family. We are just trying to have smaller groups in case of rain. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-55954940-easter>.

Youth, who would like to help with this event, should contact Nikki Young at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 13th – Communion service at 9:00 AM

Maundy Thursday, April 17th – Communion service at 7:00 PM

Good Friday, April 18th – Service at 7:00 PM

Easter Worship, April 20th – Communion service at 9:00 AM

Nine readers are needed for the Good Friday service on April 18th. If you would like to read for this service, sign up on the sheet posted on the desk in the Welcome Center.

Upcoming Events

April Gathering is Tuesday, April 22nd, at noon. The Aging Grace-Fully series continues with a live-stream presentation by Missy Buchanan, author of *From Dry Bones to Living Hope*. In this book, the author opens with an intimate, prayerful lament to God from the perspective of the older adult, who longs for spiritual renewal and purpose, and then guides the reader to God's perspective on aging and specific actions to take to leading to hope and joy.

Lunch will be available prior to the presentation. Participants are encouraged to bring a desert to share. Look for a sign-up sheet on the desk in the Welcome Center.

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

Gathering of Daughters Sunday, May 4th, at noon In celebration of Mother's Day, daughters of all ages are invited to a Gathering of Daughters featuring a **tea party** themed lunch of assorted tea sandwiches, pastries, and hot and cold teas. Following the tea, will be a **vintage fashion show** featuring New Hanover's models showcasing styles from ? to the 1980s. (You won't want to miss this!) Come for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. There will be a sign-up sheet on the desk in the Welcome Center or you may sign up on the Signup Genius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-56007833-gathering>. **Reservations are due by Sunday, April 27th**. Those attending are asked to participate in the service project by bringing diapers and/or baby wipes to be distributed to local families in need through Boyertown Area Multi-Service.

The Fellowship Committee is planning this event in conjunction with the 325th Anniversary Committee. If you have any questions, contact Jean Moser at 610-367-0342 or Barbara Eisenhart at 610-316-5909. **Note:** If you have vintage clothing and/or if you would like to be a model, contact Barbara by April 13th.

Camp Falckner will be held July 21-24, 2025 at the church picnic grove. This overnight camp is open to all youth who will have finished grades 5 -12. This year's theme is Faith in Action: Generation to Generation. We'll explore how our faith has shaped the past and how we can carry it forward into the future. Registration is available [online](#), but there are paper copies available in the Welcome Center. Reach out to [Lindsey Waltermeyer](#) with any questions.

GriefShare Group If you or someone you know is dealing with grief due to the loss of a loved one, join the 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 325th Anniversary Spirit Wear and Accessories Online Shop closes after today. Check out the website [New Hanover Lutheran Church 2025 | Nyce Shirt Company | powered by OrderMyGear](#) to order your 325th Anniversary shirts, hoodies and accessories today.

Save the date!! The Reconciling in Christ (RIC) team has scheduled a virtual Town Hall on Tuesday, April 22nd, 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.

Here's how you can participate.

Zoom

Log on to <https://zoom.us>. Meeting ID is 84524154363 and the Password is 123456.

If you join from a mobile device, you will need to install (or already have) the Zoom app to join. If you join from a desktop/laptop, you can join without installing the app. Anyone joining Zoom can live chat or ask a voice question.

YouTube

Use the QR code below or use the link

<https://youtube.com/live/WpsUQSaQUBI>.



Live at Church

Meet in the sanctuary. The doors to the Welcome Center will open at 6:45. We will start promptly at 7:00 PM.

If you have any questions, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com or the church office.

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

The Boyertown Alumni Marching Unit Concert Band is hosting a Community Band Extravaganza on Saturday, April 12th, from noon – 5:00 PM. Featured bands include: Exeter Community Band, Pottsgrove Community Band, Quakertown Band, Red Hill Band and Ringgold New Horizons Band. The concert will be held at the Historic Sunnybrook Ballroom. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. Tickets may be purchased through SoulJoels.com or from members of the participating bands. Sunnybrook is located at 50 Sunnybrook Road in Pottstown. Doors open at 11:00 AM.

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 325th 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 NHELCC? 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) 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) 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

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 to local families through the Pottstown Cluster. A list of the Cluster’s most needed items is available in the April issue of *New Hanover Highlights*. Collection boxes are located in the welcome center, fellowship hall and multi-purpose room for the donations. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

Spring Planting at Garden of Hope is Saturday, April 12th, at 9:00 AM. Come join in the fun!

Help the Ronald McDonald House

Dear Congregants,

We’re thrilled to reintroduce a small act of kindness that can make a big difference! The Ronald McDonald House supports families in need, offering them rest and nourishment during challenging times. One simple way we can contribute to their incredible mission is by saving aluminum can tabs.

These tiny can tabs may seem insignificant, but they add up quickly. By collecting them, we can help the Ronald McDonald House raise funds to continue their vital work.

We invite you to join in on this effort. Save your tabs and simply drop them into the aquarium in the Fellowship Hall (under the coat rack). Together we can make an impact—one tab at a time.

Thank you for your support and kindness.

The Mission Services/Social Ministry Committee

You can help support our church with Redner's Save-a-Tape program. Here's how it works.

1. Visit the Customer Service Desk at any Redner's Warehouse Market to obtain a Save-A-Tape card.
2. Use this card every time you shop at Redner's. Your receipts will be marked as Save-A-Tap receipts.
3. Bring your collected receipts to the church. We'll total them up and submit them to Redner's for a 1% rebate on the total amount (excluding sales tax, milk and tobacco products).

Thank you to all who have saved and turned in their Redner's receipts! The Redner's Save-a-Tape program is an easy way to help us raise funds for the Mission Services/Social Ministry team.

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

You can donate to NHELCC 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

The Food Ministry is collecting hams for Easter. Donations may be brought to the kitchen on Wednesdays from 1:00 – 2:00 PM and Sundays from 9:00 – 10:00 AM.

Nearly a quarter million meals have been delivered! NHELCC'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

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.



Prayer Requests

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

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: Family and friends of Pat Green, Ginny Specht, Bill Bauer and Victor Battaglia (Kathy Taylor'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, 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
Sandy Wesner	Helen Foulke	Carla Hausmann
Joan Price	Betty Seroski	Ralph Borneman
Lucille Powell	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	Penny Garber	Hazel LeVan
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Lynn Amundsen
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