Announcements April 20, 2025

Today

The bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of Hannah's 15th birthday by Lindsey and Ryan Waltermyer.

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in celebration of Tim, Ashley and Hayley's birthdays by Vicki Mutter.

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: Steve Weidner, Ushers: Bill Allen, Ryan Waltermyer and Zach Quigley, Lector: Scott Geiser, Children's Sermon: Pastor Scott, Acolyte: Hannah Waltermyer, Communion

Assistants: Leslie Gates and Donna Kehs

Next Sunday Head Usher: Barbara Repa, Usher: Andy Van Dyke, Lector: Carolyn Fleming, Children's Sermon: Janine Springer, Acolyte: Tom McHugh, Communion Assistants: Carolyn Fleming and Nikki Young

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

AARP – Monday, 11:00 AM, room 1 **Prayer Ministry** – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Gathering – Tuesday, Noon, rooms 1, 11 **Scouts BSA Troop 367** – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:15 PM, room 1 **Town Hall Meeting** – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, 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 – 7:45 PM, room 15 Cemetery – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, welcome center Troop 367 Committee – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, room 14

GriefShare – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, welcome center **Addiction 12 Step** – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, room 24 **Handbell Choir** – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15 **Council** – Thursday, 6:30 PM, room 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 1 KFC Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:00 AM Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:15 AM, sanctuary Picnic Grove Clean Up – Next Sunday, Noon – 3:00 PM Confirmation – Next Sunday, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, St. James Lutheran

The church office will be closed on Monday in observance of the Easter holiday.

April Gathering is this 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 for 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.

The Reconciling in Christ (RIC) virtual Town Hall is this Tuesday, April 22nd, at 7:00 PM. 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

Logon 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 or 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 Cemetery Committee will meet this Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM in the welcome center.

Upcoming Events

Grove Clean-Up - Help wanted. Everyone loves the grove but it needs some spring cleaning. Join the Picnic Grove Committee as they work with Scouts from Troop 367 to rake and pick up lots of sticks. Sally offered snacks to keep the fun going! The date is Sunday, April 27th, from noon – 3:00 PM. Bring your gloves,

wheelbarrows, rakes, tarps, brooms, leaf blowers, your appetite and friendly smiles.

Thank you all, the Picnic Grove Committee

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. A sign-up sheet is on the desk in the Welcome Center or sign up on the Signup Genius at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4 EAFAC2CAAF4C16-56007833-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 **today**.

Winner, Winner, Chicken Dinner! Come out to the picnic grove on Saturday, May 17th, from 4:00 – 7:00 PM for a delicious chicken dinner. The meal includes grilled church chicken, homemade potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw, beverage and dessert. \$13 per meal. You can enjoy your meal at the grove or get it to go.

Feel free to bring a lawn chair and enjoy the day. Children are welcome to play on our playground and enjoy the outdoors. In the event of rain, enjoy your chicken dinner at church in the fellowship hall.

Kids Camp Registration is NOW OPEN! We are heading North for Kids Camp this year! The NHELC 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.

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 Waltermyer with any questions.

NHELC takes historic road trip. Save the date! Tuesday, July 22, 2025 As part of our 325 Anniversary celebration, we are planning a tour of Historic Trappe. There are three historic properties open for tours. The Center for Pennsylvania German Studies, located in the Dewees Tayern, has five exhibition galleries featuring a wide variety of furniture, fraktur, textiles, and other objects as well as a research library and archives. The Henry Muhlenberg House is a fully furnished museum interpreting the families of Lutheran pastor Henry Muhlenberg and his son General Peter Muhlenberg. The Speaker's House, home of Frederick Muhlenberg, is an ongoing restoration project and the site of a Pennsylvania German kitchen garden. We are planning to tour all three of these buildings. The cost is \$15 per person. Also on tour is the "Old Trappe Church" and "The Brick Church." The Reverend Henry Melchior Muhlenberg was pastor of the "Old Trappe Church", which was built in 1743. In 1852, the construction of the current building, "The Brick Church", was begun to accommodate the growth of the congregation. On July 22nd, participants will meet at NHELC at 9:00AM and carpool to Trappe. In the morning, we will tour the three Trappe historic buildings then enjoy lunch at the Trappe Tayern. Touring the historic churches will follow at 1:30 PM. In the afternoon, the campers from Camp Falckner will be joining us for the church tours.

A sign-up sheet will be available in the Welcome Center.

The next book club will meet on Tuesday, June 3rd, at 6:30 PM. The book to be discussed is "James" by Percival Everett. We will be meeting at the WQ Diner located at 99 West King Street in

Pottstown. Any questions, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

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.

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 NHELC? 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. NHELC 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

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 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*. Donation 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.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Boyertown Area Multi-Service collection throughout the month of March. A total of 90 lbs. of food and other non-perishable items were received.

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 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 or 484-929-5958 if you can help.

Food Ministry

Nearly a quarter million 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 presentations, "LGBTQIA+ 101" and "Pronouns - Why They Are Important", are 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

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

Steve Morriss

Peace for violence in our area and nationally

Carol Estes Katy Mahon-Miller Luann Hanley 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 Mary Lou Melissa Doug Weaver Joan Wagner Robert Ganovsky Dorothy Bingaman **Emily Ocelus** Eric & Wendy Hess Sue Care Deb Matthews Marceline Daniel Johnson Chris Fatzinger Anne Eshleman 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 Jessica Trout Verdie Smith Pr. Jennifer Phelps Sandy Wesner Helen Foulke Carla Hausmann Betty Seroski Joan Price 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 Lynn Amundsen Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick David Gottshall Paul Knauer Suzanne Dodge Kate Brunick & family Sue Lowry Dave Pollock Julia Ghazi Ray Feick Patty Houseal

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- The In memory of her husband, Herbert D. Burkhart, by Janet Burkhart
- 1 In memory of Charles and Helen Eisenhart by their children
- 1 In memory of her husband, Roy, by Carolyn Fleming
- 1 In honor of Kevin and Jenna Fleming by Carolyn Fleming
- The In memory of her parents, Lloyd and Marianne Anstey, and her grandparents, Alfred and Fannie Anstey and Walter and Marie Harbeck, by Carolyn Fleming
- The 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 Brian Hansley by his granddaughters, Madison and Carolina
- **♦** In memory of Tina Farrell-Marut by Meghan Hubley
- The In memory of Frederick Johnson by Jane Johnson
- ₱ In memory of John O. Karns by his family
- The In memory of her parents, 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
- The In memory of Charles and Lois Rhoads by their children

- In honor of their grandchildren, Isaiah, Emma, Faith, Matthew, Grace and Michael, by Jim and Mary Alice Mack
- ♦ In memory of their parents by Tom and Jayne McHugh
- In honor of their children and grandchildren by Tom and Jayne
 McHugh
- In memory of Jim and Georgie Price and Pete and Nancy Mutter by the Mutter family
- ♣ In memory of Larry Peto by Yvonne Peto
- In memory of Sally A. Kohl and loved ones by the Rothermel family
- In honor of the staff and families at NHELC by Todd and Stacey Rothermel
- In memory of their parents and in honor of their family by Doug and Bette Senne
- 1 In memory of Wayne Sloan by Judy Sloan
- The In memory of Ralph and Ruth Wirt by their children, Lowell, Donald and Barbara and families

