Announcements May 4, 2025

General Fund Financial Summary - YTD 2025			
Month	Income	Expense	Difference
January	\$ 27,384.16	\$ 40,870.67	\$ (13,486.51)
February	\$ 30,306.14	\$ 35,170.83	\$ (4,864.69)
March	\$ 23,845.61	\$ 37,159.65	\$ (13,314.04)
Year to date Totals	\$ 81,535.91	\$ 113,201.15	\$ (31,665.24)
	Balance	as of date	
General Fund - Cash on Hand	\$ 52,053.70	3/31/2025	

Today

We welcome Pr. Wayne Shelor, former Interim Pastor at NHELC, who is serving as guest pastor this morning as part of our 325th anniversary celebration. Come join us for a reception after worship in fellowship hall.

The bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God and in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary on May 5th by Doug and Kathy Taylor.

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their children and grandsons by Todd and Stacey Rothermel.

The communion is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of the blessings of children give to our hearts throughout the world by Janet Psota.

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: Ed Becker; Ushers: Brian Flack and Steve Weidner, Lector: Carolyn Fleming, Children's Sermon: Janine Springer, Acolyte: Tom McHugh, Communion Assistants: Carolyn Fleming and Nikki Young

Next Sunday Head Usher: Marty Hauser, Usher: Terry Santangelo, Lector: Kady Singley, Children's Sermon: Nikki

Young, Acolyte: Alivia Singley

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

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.

Gathering of Daughters will be held today at noon in fellowship hall. "Daughters" will enjoy 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. 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.

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, sanctuary KFC Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 AM Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:15 AM, sanctuary Gathering of Daughters – Today, 12:00 – 2:00 PM, rooms 1, 11

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary **Cub Scout Pack 367** – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 4, 14, 21-24

Scouts BSA Troop 367 – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:15 PM, picnic grove

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 **Property** – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 14 **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 **District Scout Committee** – Thursday, 7:00 – 8:30 PM, room 14

Pancake Breakfast Setup – Friday

Pancake Breakfast, Car Wash, Flower Sale – Saturday, 7:30 – 11:00 AM

Men's Breakfast - Saturday, 8:00 AM, room 1

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Men's Breakfast will meet at the church this Saturday at 8:00 AM to participate in the Scout Pancake Breakfast.

Upcoming Events

Easter Cemetery Decorations Please remove all Easter decorations on your loved ones graves in the church's cemetery by Thursday, May 15th.

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. Live music will be provided by Sons of Phelan. 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.

Red Geraniums will decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost on Sunday, June 8th. Order forms are available on the desk in the welcome center. The cost for one single geranium is \$6.50. The cost for a pot of three geraniums is \$21.00. To order, fill out a form and place it along with your payment in an envelope. The

envelope may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office by Sunday, May 18th. Geraniums may be picked up after the 9:00 AM service on Pentecost.

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.

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 9:00 AM 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 at https://www.griefshare.org/groups/259900 or contact Nikki Young.

Frederick Living offers a three-week course on Care Partner Support. Geared for people caring for a loved one with dementia, the course is offered the first Wednesday of the month from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at the Frederick Living Community, 2849 Big Road in Zieglerville.

Schedule of Topics

May 7th - Care Partner Support

There's no need to go the care journey alone. Learn about the importance of support.

June 4th – **Challenges to Solutions: Dementia Experience**This is an interactive session designed to replicate what it is like to have dementia utilizing tools that mimic daily experiences.

July 2nd – **Benefits of Memory Care & When Is It Time?**Discern when it might be time for your loved-one to begin daily living in Memory Care and the benefits for them and you.
To reserve your seat, contact Lisa McCartin at 610-754-7878 ext. 1001 or email her at lmccartin@frederickliving.org.

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

325th **Anniversary Key Chains and Magnets:** The 325th Anniversary Committee has provided three more anniversary souvenirs for all members. Check out the basket on top of the display case in the Welcome Center near the photo display panels for magnets and two kinds of key chains. The anniversary pens

and coloring books are there also in addition to a wrapper for the Moments in Time inserts.

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 through the end of 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 May 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.

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-Tape 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

Grieving: Family and friends of Matt Dawson

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

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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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