

Announcements

November 9, 2025

Today

We welcome The Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger, who will be speaking this morning on the German Lutheran contributions in the revolution and founding of this country. Dr. Krueger will continue his teaching during J.A.M. And, be sure to attend the reception in Dr. Krueger's honor at 11:00 in fellowship hall.

The bulletin and flowers are presented to the glory of God and in memory of Herbert Burkhart by his wife, Janet.

The Word in Season devotion booklet is presented to the glory of God; may we harvest acceptance, and give thanks to God for the love of our Lord Jesus that was given to us, by Janet Psota.

Serving Today: George Trowbridge, head usher; Barbara Repa, usher; Nance White, lector; Ariel Hansley, children's sermon; Maddie Artim, acolyte

Next Sunday Ron Fegley, head usher; Rick Solazzo and Ryan Waltermeyer, ushers; Ron Fegley, lector; Lindsey Waltermeyer, children's sermon, Richard Garcia, acolyte

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.

This Week

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. (Jesus and Me) – Today, 10:15 AM, room 1

Reception – Today, 11:00 AM, room 1

J.A.M. Choir Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 – 11:15 AM, room 15

KFC (Kids for Christ) Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 AM, sanctuary

Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:20 AM, sanctuary

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Cub Scout Pack 367 – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 21-24, 33, 34

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

Finance – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, Zoom

Praise Band Rehearsal – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, sanctuary

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

Endowment – Wednesday, 10:00 AM, room 14

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, rooms 33-34

Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 PM, room 15

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

Cub Parents – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, room 33

District Scout Committee – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:30 PM, room 1

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

Addiction 12 Step – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, rooms 33-34

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

Scouting for Food – Saturday, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, room 1

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

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J.A.M. Choir Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:00 – 11:15 AM, room 15

KFC (Kids for Christ) Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:00 AM

Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:20 AM, sanctuary

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

Rejoicing Spirits – Next Sunday, 2:30 – 4:00 PM, room 1 and sanctuary

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 Lynn Fegley at 484-300-6281 by Tuesday noon. And don't forget, husbands are invited too.

Upcoming Events

Turkeys for Thanksgiving. The kitchen is looking for turkeys for Thanksgiving meal. Donations are greatly appreciated.

The Call Committee Needs your Input!

These three surveys were designed by the ELCA and are a standard part of the *Ministerial Site Profile (MSP)*. The MSP is meant to help pastoral candidates get a sense of the congregation's mission, context, characteristics and history. Your submission of this document will guide the Transition Team as they complete the MSP.



Angel Tree The Mission Service team is hosting the annual Angel Tree gift program through December 7th. Look for the Angel Tree in the welcome center with gift requests. Purchase the gift item and bring it to the church, unwrapped, by December 7th.

NHELC Spirit Wear Online Store is open!

The online store has been reopened just in time for your holiday shopping! Check out the new “**Sunshine Learning Center**” and “**NHELC Created with a Purpose**” logos in a variety of colors and shirt styles for adults and youth.



The 325th Anniversary spirit wear is back too and includes a variety of shirts and accessories.

Shop now through **November 14th**. Orders will be available for pickup in the church fellowship hall three-four weeks after the store closes.

Shop online today!

New Hanover Memorabilia items collected over the years are available in the Welcome Center. You are invited to take home a piece of New Hanover's history; your donations will help our

ministries to continue. Souvenirs from the 325th anniversary are also on the table.

History Booklets printed for the 325th Anniversary are available in the Welcome Center. If you didn't get one, pick up a copy today. Please, one booklet per family.

Guest preachers help NHELC celebrate 325th anniversary.

11/23 Deacon Carol Detweiler, New Hanover's former Director of Christian Education and Director of Senior Faith Formation

11/30 The Rev. Thomas Lang, former pastor of New Hanover

12/7 The Rev. Rebecca Knox, former Intern at New Hanover, who will celebrate her 25th Anniversary of Ordination with us that day

Fellowship Hours will follow the services on these Sundays (10:00 AM).

Root to Rise – Embracing Change with Grace is the theme of this year's fall yoga class. This class offers a gentle grounding practice designed to release negativity, instill peace and embrace a new season with grace and ease. The class is open to adults and teens, who are age 13-17 as long as they are accompanied by an adult. Classes are held on Saturdays through November 22nd, from 8:30 – 9:30 AM in the church nursery suite (room 21). Four – five sets of blankets and blocks will be available; contact Leslie Gates ahead of time if you need to reserve a yoga mat. Classes are free-will donation-based for the Food Ministry. Pay in cash or check (payable to NHELC). A signup sheet is in the welcome center and on the church's website. Any questions, contact Leslie Gates.

Advent Social is on Sunday, December 14th, 2 - 4 PM. Activities include making crafts, playing games and decorating cookies, bags and cards for NHELC homebound members. Snacks will be served.

Bring a donation of personal care items such as tissues, toothpaste, toothbrushes, Chapstick, lotion, individually wrapped snacks, etc. to be put in the homebound members' December senior bags.

There will be a paper sign-up sheet on the desk in the welcome center and also on sign-up genius at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16->

[60204971-advent](#). To help with planning for this event, sign up by Sunday December 7th.

Poinsettias add beauty to sanctuary Consider helping to beautify 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 and in the November issue of *New Hanover Highlights*. Or, call the church office if you need additional forms. Forms and payment should be mailed to the church office, placed in the offering plate, or dropped off at the mail slot next to the Fellowship Hall entrance.

Orders are due by November 23, 2025.

Scout Frecon Farms Pie & Cookie Fundraiser

Pick up your items just in time for Thanksgiving on Tuesday, November 25th, from 4 to 7 PM in Fellowship Hall at the Church.

Order Deadline: Tuesday, November 11th;
11:59 PM



Easiest way to order - ONLINE:

1. To enter the online store, go to <https://367scouts.org/Pies> or use the QR code and use the password 367pies25
2. Select from six varieties of pies and six varieties of cookies!
3. Proceed to Checkout
4. **VERY IMPORTANT >> Enter YOUR NAME AND "NHELCC" in ORDER NOTES** section so we can be prepared at the pick up time.
5. Complete the transaction with online payment.

A paper copy order form for the Scouts Frecon Farms fundraiser is in the Welcome Center through today only.

NHELC Book Club meets to discuss the book *True Colors* by Kristin Hannah. Join the club for dinner and discussion at the WQ Diner in Pottstown on Tuesday, December 2nd, at 6:30 PM. Any questions about this event, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

The Boyertown Alumni Marching Unit will hold its 21st Holiday Concert on Saturday December 6th, 7:00 PM at the MStar Church. A free-will offering will be received for the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. Light refreshments will be served before the concert. MStar Church is located at 10 Limekiln Road in Bechtelsville.

The Boyertown Area Choral Arts Christmas Concert will be held on Sunday, December 7th, 3:00 PM at the Good Shepherd United Church of Christ. The concert will be directed by Donna M. House and accompanied by Robin Ward. A free-will offering will be received with a portion designated to the Margareta R. Lamb Scholarship. A cookie reception will follow the performance. Good Shepherd is located at 35 West Philadelphia Avenue in Boyertown.

Help Needed

Mission Service folks need your help! Friends, our church has been helping to feed the hungry at Emmanuel Lutheran Church every month. We discovered their clothes closet needs help. We ask for used, clean, in good condition, warm clothes. Also, hats, gloves, mittens and hoodies are needed too! The ladies at the closet are in need of NEW socks and undergarments. Our junior/senior high Sunday School class decorated a box that will be sitting in the welcome center for your donations.

JAM (Jesus and Me) teacher needed for 3-5 Grade NHELC needs a second teacher (or more) to help with the 3rd - 5th grade JAM class. We currently have one teacher for this group. If we can add two - three more then we would have a teaching rotation. This class is a lot of fun. Teachers will focus their discussion on the lectionary reading each week and do crafts. The year will

culminate with an art show and reception. If you have interest in this area, contact Nikki Young as soon as possible.

Heat for the Holidays - Providing heaters to local families

Do you know a homeowner facing a hardship and needs a new heater? Oliver Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical is launching their 27th Annual Heat for the Holidays program. To nominate a deserving family, check out the rules and directions listed on the flyer posted on the Sunday School wing bulletin board. Or, contact Joseph Krasowski at Oliver 800-522-4884.

Deadline to submit a nomination is November 10th. A panel of community leaders will select the final recipients.

Want to be a member?

Please fill out “Your Voice from the Pew” card, 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

Are you missing a Moments in Time insert? Extra copies are available. Contact Barb Eisenhart, Lee Wesner or Susan Gutshall. Wrappers for the collection are available in the Welcome Center.

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. NHELCC 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

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.

Sunshine Learning Center

The Sunshine Learning Center is now open for preschool registration. To register, email Educational Director Jena Marinelli at jena.marinelli@sunshineelc.org.

Food Ministry

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/>.

Garden of Hope

Volunteer to help in the garden on Monday and Thursday mornings at 7:30. No gardening experience needed to help. Any questions, contact Doug Senne at 484-401-6424 or Dsenne@verizon.net.

Reconciling in Christ Serving All and Loving Unconditionally

In case you want any information, enter this link in your web browser:

<https://newhanoverlutheran.org/reconciling-in-christ/> or connect using this QR Code.



Additional Information

Facility Use for Meetings or Events Requests All meeting and event requests by committees, members or non-members are to be communicated to the church office manager. The request will include the date and time, purpose, amount of people attending, necessary space and equipment of the meeting or event. Given the information the meeting or event will be posted on the church calendar by the church office manager (only). Providing an announcement for the bulletin, newsletter or social media posting does not constitute a request or guarantee a space.

There is a Facility Use policy, and fees do apply in some cases. In no case will fees be waived. Deposits are required to hold the space, date and time. If the meeting or event is not posted on the church calendar or you do not place a deposit if necessary, you do

not have permission to use the space. Contact Susan Gutshall, church office manager at (610) 326-1335, or email her at susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org for requests or information.

Prayer Requests

Military: Shawn Dietz, 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

Grieving: family and friends of Betty Seroski, Debbie Solazzo's mother

Sarah Bowman	Keeley Staples	Logan Conley
Katy Mahon-Miller	Luann Hanley	Carol Estes
William Trotter	Kathy Kane	Maxwell Girard
Pat Fryer	Jean Renninger	Pr. Kork Moyer
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	Helen Foulke
Carla Hausmann	Joan Price	Ralph Borneman
Lucille Powell	Joan Scheffey	Arnold Amundsen
Chuck Beck	Rich Freed	Joe
Joe	Casey Flack	Penny Frymoyer
Denton Quick	David Helfrich, Sr.	Tara Hauck
Patricia Kemp	Ron Seasholtz	Penny Garber
Hazel LeVan	Lynn Amundsen	David Gottshall
Paul Knauer	Suzanne Dodge	Dave Pollock
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Julia Ghazi

Ray Feick	Patty Houseal	Steve Morriss
Vicki Mutter	Carol Feick	Gerald Eisenhart
John Sander, Candis Peto, Yvonne Peto		Josephine Heck
Dennis and Sandy Rothermel		Alice Nester

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RECONCILING IN CHRIST

Praise be to God! As Jesus has called us to love one another, we as a community deeply rooted in an open and welcoming spirit announce that The New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church has been recognized as a Reconciling in Christ partner congregation of Reconciling Works. It is with Christ's love we are called to welcome all God's children into our congregations, communities, and our world.

This recognition means that the congregation will be listed on a roster of congregations, organizations and synods in the United States and Canada providing a message to all that we are safe place to worship and serve. However, how we welcome and what we do as a Reconciling in Christ partner congregation is uniquely ours to create and our journey to walk together. We invite you to join us in celebrating God's love for all.

A 325th Anniversary Special Presentation

“Celebrating German Lutheran Contributions in the Fight for Independence and the Young Republic”

This morning at 10:15 AM in the fellowship hall.



Join us for a special 325th Anniversary historical presentation today after worship in the fellowship hall. The presentation will be given by The Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger and is titled: “Celebrating German Lutheran Contributions in the Fight for Independence and the Young Republic.”

The Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger is serving Christ Church

Ithan, first in 2020 for a two-month appointment that morphed into eight months due to the COVID-19 pandemic, then returned in May 2023 as interim priest.

An ordained pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Pastor Karl has pastored an English/German congregation in Philadelphia and a Slovak/English congregation in Windsor, Ontario. In addition, he has served as the interim rector in several congregations, including Washington Memorial Chapel in Valley Forge, and most recently as sabbatical pastor at St. Peter’s Episcopal Church in the Great Valley.

Father Karl has a Ph.D. in History from the University of Michigan and a Master’s in Library Science from Drexel University, and worked at the Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies. In addition, he directed the Krauth Memorial Library of the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia and taught courses in church history for over fifteen years.