

Announcements

March 15, 2026

Today

The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God and in honor of their son Alexander's birthday by Joseph and Lisa Caputo.

Would you like to sponsor the bulletin, flowers, communion or devotional? Sign up today by clicking on the link newhanoverlutheran.org/worship_signups_2026 or use this QR Code. Or, contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at 610-326-1335.



Serving Today: George Trowbridge, head usher; Kyle and Kady Singley, ushers; Harry White, lector; Nicole Ewing, children's sermon; Alivia Singley, acolyte

Wednesday: Todd Rothermel, head usher; Stacey Rothermel, usher

Next Sunday: Ron Fegley, head usher; Terry Santangelo, usher; Leslie Gates, lector; Nikki Young, children's sermon; Maddie Artim, acolyte

Altar Guild members who are serving this month: Nancy Gross, Sue Care 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.

Join the Rejoicing Spirits service this afternoon at 3:00 in NHELCC's sanctuary for an uplifting worship experience. The Rejoicing Spirits ministry is geared toward people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, but provides a meaningful worship

experience for people of all abilities. Come at 2:30 for refreshments and a social. For more information, contact Donna Kehs or Stacey Rothermel.

Have a pastoral emergency?

Contact Vicar Nikki Young at 267-329-9697.

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

JAM – Today, 10:15 – 11:15 AM, room 21

JAM Choir Rehearsal – Today 11:00 – 11:15 AM, room 15

KFC Choir Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 – 11:20 AM

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

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

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

AARP Board – Monday, 10:00 AM, room 1

AARP – Monday, 11:00 AM, room 1

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Cub Scout Pack 367 – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 27-34, 36-37

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

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

Walnut Woods – Wednesday, 10:00 AM

Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 10:00 AM, kitchen door

Lenten Dinner – Wednesday, 5:30 – 6:25 PM, rooms 1, 11

Addiction 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, rooms 33-34

Evening Prayer – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:00 PM, sanctuary

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

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

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

Council – Thursday, 6:30 PM, room 37

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

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

JAM – Next Sunday, 10:15 – 11:15 AM, room 21

Coffee with Council – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 1

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Continue on your journey through Lent at NHEL.C. A Lenten dinner will be held on Wednesday at 5:30 PM, followed by a prayer service at 6:30 PM. Invite your family and friends to join you on Wednesdays in Lent at NHEL.C. Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be held on April 2nd and 3rd at 7:00 PM.

Upcoming Events

The Council will hold a “Coffee with the Council” open informational session next Sunday, March 22nd, immediately following the 9 AM worship service in the Fellowship Hall. NHEL.C has a lot of activities and projects moving forward in 2026 and the Council would like to share information, listen to feedback, and answer questions. Plan to grab a cup of coffee and join the conversation.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, March 28th. Sign up using this QR Code or go to https://newhanoverlutheran.org/easter_egg_hunt.



Time to make room for spring in the church cemetery. If you have Christmas decorations on your loved ones graves in the NHEL.C cemetery, please remove the decorations. Christmas decoration left in the cemetery after today will be removed by cemetery personnel.

The NHEL.C Book Club is reading *Maybe you Should Talk to Someone* by Lori Gottlieb. Join the club for dinner and book discussion at the WQ Diner in Pottstown on Tuesday, April 7th, at 6:30 PM. Any questions about the book club, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

The 3rd Annual Community Band Extravaganza will be held at the SunnyBrook Ballroom on Saturday, March 21st, from noon – 5:00 PM. The Boyertown Alumni Concert Band and Marching

Unit will host this concert. In addition, music will be provided by: Oley Valley Alumni and Community Band, Wyomissing Community Band, Pottsgrove Community Band, Exeter Community Band and Quakertown Band. Tickets in advance cost \$10, or \$15 at the door. To buy tickets online, go to SoulJoels.com. SunnyBrook is located at 50 Sunnybrook Road in Pottstown.

Help Needed

Hams Needed The Food Ministry is looking for ham donations for Easter. Hams may be dropped off in the kitchen on Wednesdays and Sundays between 9:00 – 10:00 AM or stop by the office Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Boyertown Area Multi-Service NHELCC is collecting non-perishable items throughout the month of March to be distributed to our neighbors in local communities. For a list of suggested items most needed by the pantry, see the March issue of *New Hanover Highlights*.

Readers are needed for the April 3rd, Good Friday service. A signup sheet for readers is on the desk in the welcome center.

Want to be a member?

Fill out “Your Voice from the Pew” card, located in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate. Check off “Interest in Church Membership.”

Resources

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 Vicar Nikki Young.

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. NHELIC 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.

Food Ministry

Over 300,000 meals have been distributed! 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 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

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

Keeley Staples	Logan Conley	Katy Mahon-Miller
Luann Hanley	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	Dorothy Bingaman	Emily Ocelus
Eric & Wendy Hess	Sue Care	Deb Matthews
Marceline	Anne Eshleman	Daniel Johnson
Chris Fatzinger	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	Verdie Smith	Helen Foulke
Carla Hausmann	Joan Price	Ralph Borneman
Lucille Powell	Joan Scheffey	Chuck Beck
Rich Freed	Joe	Joe
Casey Flack	Penny Frymoyer	David Helfrich, Sr.
Tara Hauck	Hazel LeVan	David Gottshall
Paul Knauer	Suzanne Dodge	Dave Pollock
Julia Ghazi	Ray Feick	Steve Morriss
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Vicki Mutter
Carol Feick	Alice Nester	Linda Adams
Donna Day	John Sander, Candis Peto, Yvonne Peto	
Dennis and Sandy Rothermel		Janet Linskey
James Dawson		

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