November 15, 2026
Announcements

Today

We welcome Peyton James Dugan, daughter of Jim and Danielle Dugan, who will be baptized during the worship service this morning.

The bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their 48th wedding anniversary by Scott and Georgann Geiser.

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their 48th wedding anniversary by Steve and Faye Weidner.

The sponsor signup schedule is available on signupgenius on the church's website. Click on the link newhanoverlutheran.org/worship_signups_2026 or QR Code to sign up today. Or, contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at 610-326-1335.



The 2027 sponsor signup schedule is now available. To sponsor the bulletin, flowers, communion or Word in Season devotional booklet, use this QR Code or click on the link https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-67504651-2027 to sign up today.



Serving Today: Barbara Repa, head usher; Zach Quigley, usher; Leslie Gates, lector; Lenore Gates, children's sermon; Charlotte Moser, acolyte

Next Sunday: George Trowbridge, head usher; Brian Flack, usher; Barbara Noecker, lector; Nikki Young, children's sermon; Sadie Hubley, acolyte

Altar Guild members who are serving this month: Nancy Gross, Terry Santangelo and Janet Psota

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.

Have a pastoral emergency?
Contact Vicar Nikki Young at 267-329-9697.

Due to church staff taking vacations and fulfilling responsibilities that take them outside the church facility, you are encouraged to call and make an appointment before coming to the church. The church office phone number is 610-326-1335.

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
Kids for Christ Band Rehearsal – Today, 10:00 – 10:30 AM, sanctuary
J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21
Christmas Pageant Rehearsal – Today, 10:15 AM, room 1
J.A.M. Choir Rehearsal – Today, 10:55 – 11:20 AM, room 15
Grace Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:20 AM, sanctuary
Confirmation – Today, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, St. James, Pottstown
Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 – 4:00 PM

AARP Board – Monday, 10:00 AM, room 1
AARP – Monday, 11:30 AM, room 1
Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary
Cub Pack 367 – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 24-25, 28-34, 37
Cemetery – Monday, 7:00 PM, welcome center

Scouts BSA Troop 367 – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, room 1
Reconciling in Christ – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, room 7

Sunshine Learning Center Music – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:00 AM, room 1
Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen
Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 10:00 AM, kitchen door
Walnut Woods Service – Wednesday, 10:00 AM

Addiction 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, welcome center
Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 PM, room 15

Sunshine Learning Center Gym – Wednesday, 9:00 AM - noon, room 1
Handbell Choir Rehearsal –Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, sanctuary
Council – Thursday, 6:30 PM, room 7
Addiction 12 Step – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, welcome center
Scout District Roundtable – Thursday, 7:30 – 9:00 PM, room 1

Sunshine Learning Center Hoagie Sale – Friday, 9:00 – 11:30 AM, welcome center

Scouting for Food – Saturday, 7:00 – 11:00 AM, 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
Kids for Christ Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 10:00 – 10:30 AM, sanctuary
J.A.M. – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 21
Fellowship – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 1
Christmas Pageant Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 1
J.A.M. Choir Rehearsal – Next Sunday 10:55 – 11:20 AM, rm 15
Grace Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:20 AM, sanctuary

Upcoming Events

Fellowship Committee will honor Chef Chris on Sunday, November 22nd. The Fellowship Committee is hosting a fellowship hour following the worship service to honor and thank Chef Chris Fatzinger for his service through the Loaves and Fishes Food Ministry. Feel free to bring any cards/well wishes. We will have a basket available.

NHELC will hold a Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 25th, at 7:00 PM. Invite your family and friends to attend this service of thanksgiving.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 6th, as the NHELC youth perform the 2026 Christmas Play "**Unplugged for Christmas."** What happens when today's youth unplug from technology and step back in time to experience the very first

Christmas? Join us for a fun and heartwarming play as our modern-day youth relive the story of Jesus' birth in a whole new way! There will be laughter, surprises, and a reminder of the true meaning of Christmas. Come celebrate the greatest story ever told! Travel to Fellowship Hall following the church service! You won't want to miss it! Bring cookies/snacks to share for the social.

Advent Social Sunday, December 13th, 10:15 AM This year, the annual Advent Social will be held directly after the church service. Join in the seasonal activities include making crafts, playing games and decorating cookies. Also, we will make bags and cards for NHELC homebound members' December bags. Snacks will be served.
Bring a donation of personal care items such as tissues, toothpaste, individual packaged toothbrushes, Chapstick, lotion, individually wrapped snacks, etc. to be put in the homebound members' December senior bags. There is a paper sign-up sheet on the desk in the welcome center or sign up online at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-67521232-advent. Sign up by Sunday, December 6th, to help with planning for this event.

The NHELC Book Club is reading "Like Mother, Like Mother" by Susan Rieger. Join the club for dinner and book discussion at the WQ Diner in Pottstown on Tuesday, December 1st, at 6:30 PM. Any questions about the book club, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

Help Needed

Turkey donations are needed for the Thanksgiving meal for recipients of the Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry. Bring your turkeys to the kitchen on Wednesday or Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM.

Reminder

Attention committee and group leaders. Be sure to turn out the lights when leaving the church.

Resources

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 Vicar Nikki.

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

Thrivent Action Teams and Choice Dollars Do you have a Thrivent Account? Did you know that Thrivent offers up to two action teams each year to their members? If you have not used them yet, talk to Vicar Nikki about some ideas on how NHELC can use some action teams to help benefit our programs and ministry. There is still time before the end of this year!

Team up with Thrivent for Giving Tuesday! NHELC is teaming up with Thrivent for Giving Tuesday!
Thrivent believes money is a tool, not a goal. That's why they're committing $3 million to support organizations like NHELC through their Giving Tuesday initiative. When you donate today through Thrivent's giving platform, they'll boost your gift so it can do even more for our ministries. Donate today: https://choice-org-search.apps.thrivent.com/details/100244101269. While you are on the website, you can check if you have any Choice Dollars available to donate.

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! 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 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.

Thank You

Thank you to all who recently contributed to the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. Sixty pounds of non-perishable food and personal items were donated.

Thank you for your continuous donation of calendars. Keep up the good work. We will be sending them on to the Phoenix Prison as we receive them. A simple act like the giving of a calendar can absolutely "make one's day."

Prayer Requests

Phoenix Prison: During the Sunday church service at Phoenix, a time is provided for the men to write a prayer request. These prayers are then sent to the Rev. Gates to be shared among many churches and individuals. You can support the inmates by praying their prayer requests.

I pray for peace on earth and for my brothers here and for their families. Thank you Lord, for waking me up for another day to show your love to people. Amen.

I would like to send out a prayer to the hopeless people on the streets. The weather is getting colder and we don't want them to freeze. - John

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
Luann Hanley
Maxwell Girard
Pr. Kork Moyer
Raul Castro
Wilma Lahr
Doug Weaver
Eric & Wendy Hess
Marceline
Chris Fatzinger
Jen Perez
Barb & Tom Faust
Pam Abbott
Pr. Jennifer Phelps
Carla Hausmann
Lucille Powell
Rich Freed
Casey Flack
Tara Hauck
Paul Knauer
Julia Ghazi

Logan Conley
William Trotter
Pat Fryer
Julia Hauck
Amy LeVan
Melissa
Dorothy Bingaman
Sue Care
Anne Eshleman
Pena family
Frank D.
Andy Van Dyke
Holli Muffler
Verdie Smith
Joan Price
Joan Scheffey
Joe
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Hazel LeVan
Suzanne Dodge
Ray Feick

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Kathy Kane
Jean Renninger
Tony Mancini
Jeffrey Kunsch
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Helen Foulke
Ralph Borneman
Chuck Beck
Joe
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Dave Pollock
Steve Morriss

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