Welcome to worship at New Hanover

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 9, 2021

General Info for Drive-in Service Only:

- 1. Stay in your vehicle at all times.
- 2. <u>Tune your FM Radio to 90.7 to listen to the live broadcast</u>
- 3. The building, including the bathrooms, continue to be closed, except to essential employees and volunteers supporting the foodbank and worship service activities.
- 4. There are NO bathroom facilities available at this time.
- 5. There is no need to wear a mask within your vehicle, but we ask that each person within your vehicle has a mask available should a safety need arise.
- 6. If you have an emergency, please wave down an usher or put your hazard lights on.
- 7. If you wish to sit outside on our sidewalk and lawn area for worship next to the Fellowship Hall building, follow the usher's direction and please park in the rear row of the parking lot near the baseball field. Also, please provide your own chair for worship. Be aware that cars are traveling through the parking lot. As always, ask for assistance as needed.

Parking:

- 1. Please direct your attention to the parking lot ushers for parking instructions.
- 2. <u>Vans</u> and <u>Trucks</u> should *back into* the rear parking spaces.
- 3. Motorcycle, bicycle, or walking to worship: Please wear your mask at all times and maintain at least a 6' distance between others.

Offering: Please drop your offering into the designated tubs located by the exits.

General Info for Video and Drive-in Services:

- 1. Most of all, THANK YOU for supporting NHELC! Your gifts of time, talent and finances allows us to continue our good works!
- 2. Relax and ready your heart to receive God's glory!
- 3. NHELC Worship Services are also live and recorded and can be found here: *http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/worshipinfo.php*
- 4. General information for NHELC can be found here: *http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/index.php*



Introduction

This Sunday's image of the life the risen Christ shares with us is the image of friendship. We are called to serve others as Jesus came to serve; but for John's gospel, the image of servanthood is too hierarchical, too distant, to capture the essence of life with Christ. Friendship captures the love, the joy, the deep mutuality of the relationship into which Christ invites us. The Greeks believed that true friends are willing to die for each other. This is the mutual love of Christian community commanded by Christ and enabled by the Spirit.

May your worship experience strengthen you with God's love and grace.

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!

All Worship can be viewed online at newhanoverlutheran.org, facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch and on YouTube.

The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor Richard Thomas, director of GRACE Band and soloist

Prelude

Welcome

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. **Amen.**

Gathering Song

Holy Is the Lord

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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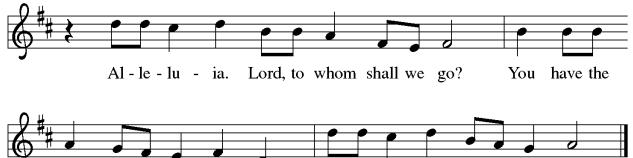
The Gospel speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

Gospel Song

Shout to the Lord

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Gospel Acclamation



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Gospel Reading The holy gospel according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ⁹"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Abiding Love

Song of the Day

You Are My All in All

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried: he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Peace The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you. John 15:9-17

Lord's Prayer Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Sending Song

Beautiful Things

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Blessing

The blessed and holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace, now and forever. **Amen.**

Dismissal Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen! I am Risen! I am Risen! You are Risen! We are Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Go get'em!!!

Postlude

Children's Message

Nicole Ewing

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Announcements

Happy Mother's Day. We wish an abiding love to all.

The bulletin is presented to the glory of God and in memory of her beloved husband Walter by Nancy Wolfe.

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in memory of her parents and dearly loved family members by Nancy Wolfe.

Have a pastoral emergency? Call the church office at (610) 326-1335 ext. 1 to contact Pastor Scott.

The Garden of Hope and the Loaves & Fishes Ministries thank everyone who participated in our first harvest event of 2021. The total harvest was four pounds of Tokyo Bekena cabbage. The harvest provided 390 meals of salad. Thank you again and join us on Monday, May 17th, at 9 AM for the next harvest and planting for the season. Sign up at newhanoverlutheran.org, at the "Get Involved" tab and "Garden of Hope" drop down.

The Peer Support Ministry thanks everyone for a fantastic Mental Health Awareness Celebration on Sunday, May 2nd. Check out our Murals on the Christian Ed wing. This was truly a Loving Our Neighbor event. May is Mental Health Awareness Month.

Garden of Hope There are opportunities for you to participate in this exciting, new ministry at NHELC. Helpers are needed to serve as community/corporate liaison and day captains. Community/Corporate Liaison will communicate needs and opportunities to the community and local businesses. Day Captains will attend meetings to understand expectations, welcome volunteers, help with the garden and educate and communicate with the team. For more information about this program, contact Nikki Young (nikkiannyoung@gmail.com), Marsha Staub (marsha.staub@comcast.net) or Donna Kehs (donnakehs@gmail.com).

Leaves and Sticks are gone! Hooray! Troop and Pack 367 did a FABULOUS job providing a ton of service hours to our Picnic Grove. About 45 scouters and others were so helpful! The Picnic Grove committee is very grateful for everyone's help. Our hot dogs were just a tiny token of our appreciation. This shout out to the scout families comes from the heart - thank you all!

Sponsors Needed You can help support the ministry at NHELC by sponsoring communion and *The Word in Season* devotion booklets. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at (610) 326-1335 to sign up. Suggested donation to sponsor the communion is \$20 a month and *The Word in Season* devotional is \$35 a month. And, don't forget, there are weeks available to sponsor the bulletin and flowers too. Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 week and the flowers is \$35 a week.

Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities – Now through June, NHELC is collecting non-perishable items for the local food bank. Bring your donations to the church kitchen door on Sunday before the 9 AM worship service or between 1 - 2 PM. Be sure to distinguish your donation for the Cluster or Loaves and Fishes Food Ministry. Suggested food items include: jelly, pancake mix and syrup, pasta, crackers, instant mashed potatoes, condiments, soup, cereal and canned fruit. Suggested non-food items include: paper towels, diapers (size 6), toothbrushes, laundry detergent, hand soap, toilet paper, deodorant, dish soap, conditioner and shampoo. Also, sugar-free and sodium-free items for those with dietary restrictions are greatly appreciated.

Faith Formation

VBS 2021 is coming! "God's Good Creation" is this year's theme. We'll be joining again with neighboring Lutheran churches in both an online and "in-person" outdoor program spread out over five weeks, beginning the week of June 21st. Each Monday will virtually kick-off the week's theme with opening and story time videos. Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:00 PM, will be the in-person part at NHELC, for both parents and children, which will include activities related to the week's theme and a mission project. Also this year: A VBS for adults! This will be in-person, outdoors, at NHELC, Wednesdays from 10-11:30 AM. We will follow all CDC recommendations for our in-person gatherings. An online registration for children can be found on the NHELC webpage. Also, an adult registration form is available online for those with computer access. For those who don't have computer access, call the church office and leave your contact information on Deacon Carol's voicemail to receive a hard copy of the registration form.

Another faith formation link is available. Called "Parent Pause" the link features a simple question each week for parents to ponder throughout the following seven days. Feel free to email Deacon Carol any insights, questions, etc. This link can be found on NHELC's Faith Formation page on the church website, newhanoverlutheran.org.

Save the Date for Camp Falckner 2021 An overnight camping experience for youth completing fifth – twelfth grade will be held July $27^{th} - 30^{th}$ in the New Hanover Lutheran Church picnic grove. Watch for registration and more details.

You are never too old to color! On our Faith Formation page you'll find prayer coloring pages you can download and print out for those times you could use some quiet, mindful spaces in your life. Take deep breaths, color and enjoy!

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELC Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. If you need a prayer, know someone else who could use one, or just want someone to pray about peace and healing for our communities, nation and world, we will lift those prayers up! All information will be kept confidential. Contact Deacon Carol with your prayer request at caroldetweiler@comcast.net or call the church office (610-326-1335), leave her a voice mail and she will pass it on to the prayer group. Also, you can contact Deacon Carol to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain. Your prayers will be "delivered"!

Peer Support Ministry

Certified Recovery Specialist (CRS) Training Scholarship

The Peer Support Recovery Ministry is pleased to announce that through a generous donation, we will be able to offer scholarships to two individuals in recovery from SUD (substance use disorder) to take a CRS (certified recovery specialist) training course to be able to work in the recovery field helping others.

Scholarship applications are due May 17, 2021. Scholarship awardees will be notified by May 21, 2021. Awardees will be contacted by NHELC Director of Recovery Ministry to get registered for the training that will start on Thursday, June 3rd.

Training dates are EVERY Saturday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, starting 7/10/21 and ending 9/11/21. Location: 15 Woodside Ave, West Lawn, PA 19609 For any questions please contact Ryan Schweiger at 610.326.1335 ext.6 or peersupport@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Certified Recovery Specialist training scholarship

Qualifications: 18 y/o, High School Diploma, 18 months of sustained recovery from SUD (substance use disorder), be able to access stable internet and complete class work/homework. Training is 80 hours total and you must attend all classes to receive approval to then take the (PCB) PA state examination to then become certified. A \$150 fee is required to take the exam and is not covered by the training or scholarship. If you meet the qualifications listed above please visit our peer support recovery ministry webpage at https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/peer-support-recovery/ and fill out the application at the bottom of page.

Peer Support Recovery Ministry – New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church Contacts for Peer Support Recovery Ministry Team: Phone: 610.326.1335 ext.6 or peersupport@newhanoverlutheran.org. Peer Support Recovery Meetings: Mondays – 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM www.newhanoverlutheran.org

Food Ministry

Drivers are needed to deliver meals on Wednesdays at 2:00 PM and/or Sundays at 1:45 PM. To signup, go to www.signupgenius.com then login using the email address marsha.staub@comcast.net. Need help signing up? Email Marsha or contact Pastor Scott to help.

There will be no drop off grocery donation times this Sunday. You can drop off donations next Sunday before the 9 AM worship and 1 - 2 PM at the church kitchen entrance door. Someone will collect your items

at the door and if they are busy, please place the items on a cart outside the door. Someone will take them inside shortly. Thank you for all your generosity in helping feed our neighbors. Chicken, beef, fresh fruit, pasta, frozen veggies and snacks are always welcomed and if in doubt, feel free to bring in any non-perishable food item.

Monetary donations for this ministry are appreciated. Go to our website using the link www.newhanoverlutheran.org/donate. Also, donations can be put in our mail slot located at the church fellowship hall entrance. Be sure to designate on your check or envelope "Food Ministry."

Know someone in the community who needs meals? Email Sally Sugita at sallysugita@yahoo.com with the person's name, number of people in the household and the address.

Thank you for your support.

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Larry Gallagher, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, Roy Fleming, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Stephanie Holtz, Carol Buchholtz Yost, Enoc Zapien, Jean Renninger, Gene Reider, Barbara Morris, Kathy Campos, Karen Trout, Pr. Susan Lynch, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Linda Harpel, Jeffrey Kunsch, Mary Ellen Jonczyk, Hannah Phillips, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Donna Kehs, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Marlyn Bieleski, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, MaryAlice Mack, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Russ and Lenore Gates, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Linda Norton, Alyssa Dierolf, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Catherine Underwood, Debra Kissinger, Bobbie, Steve, Matt, Bob and Cindy, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, June Urbassik, Frank D., Doris Gross, Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Charles Rhoads

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

Long-term

Garrett Coyne, Heather James, Rachel Walter, Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Shannon, John, Jean Boyer, Dominic Strock, Sally Kohl, Mark Noecker

Grieving

For the family and friends of Nancy Moser; David Schonely, Diane Snyder's father; Jean Caputo, Joe Caputo's mother and Ken Noecker, Lincoln Noecker's father

Shut-ins

Penny Frymoyer, Fran E. Weaver, Doris Renninger, Janet Deloplaine, Wade Miller

Military

Shawn Dietz, Michael McHugh, Kevin Dugan, Jason Bernhard, Craig Geiser, Patrick Mathias, Steven Kane, Temperance Leister, William Zearfoss, Will Wilson V, Milton Jack Repa, Megan Fricker, Kyle Woods

New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church

Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Call for an appointment.

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Spring Harvest & Planting Event

GardeningTechniques Training for All Ages Training by Trellis For Tomorrow

Monday May 17th 9Am to Noon Bring Garden Gloves, Mask and Spirit

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email Nikki Young

nikkiannyoung@gmail.com Food from garden supports Loaves and Fishes food ministry



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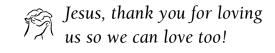
Ways to love

Congregations of people everywhere share Jesus' love in all kinds of ways. Offerings are given, food and clothing collected, quilts are made, prayers said, and homes are built.

Circle all the ways your congregation shares Jesus' love.



How else does your congregation share Jesus' love? Draw a picture of it here.



this week

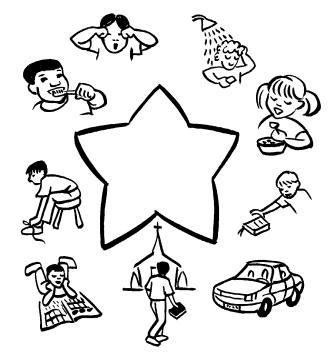
Love a neighbor by surprising them with a plate of homemade cookies!

Amen



gather

Welcome to worship. Today is the sixth Sunday of Easter. All of us get ready for worship in different ways, and our families celebrate Sundays differently. What did you do to get ready for church this morning? What will you do after church?



Draw a heart around everything you did this morning to get ready for worship, and inside the star, draw a picture of something your family usually does together after worship.

hear & celebrate

Jesus' new commandment

John 15:9-17

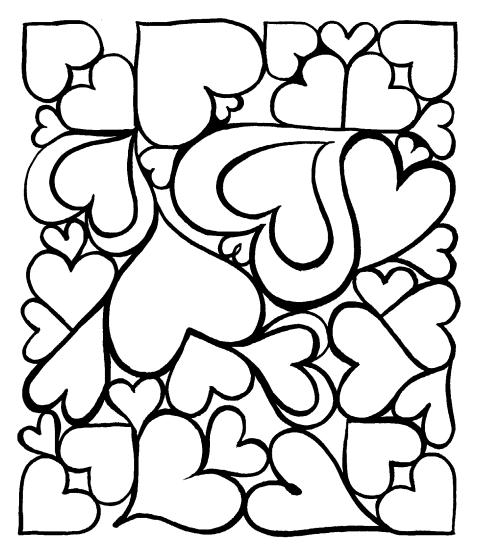
Jesus and his friends, the disciples, did everything together. They ate, played, worked, and cared for others. Jesus was a wonderful teacher, and he taught them many things about God. One day when Jesus was with his friends, he gave them a new commandment. This is what Jesus said.

Color in the boxes with hearts, and discover Jesus' new commandment.

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Hearts the same We can love because Jesus loves us!

Find and color 12 hearts that are the same.





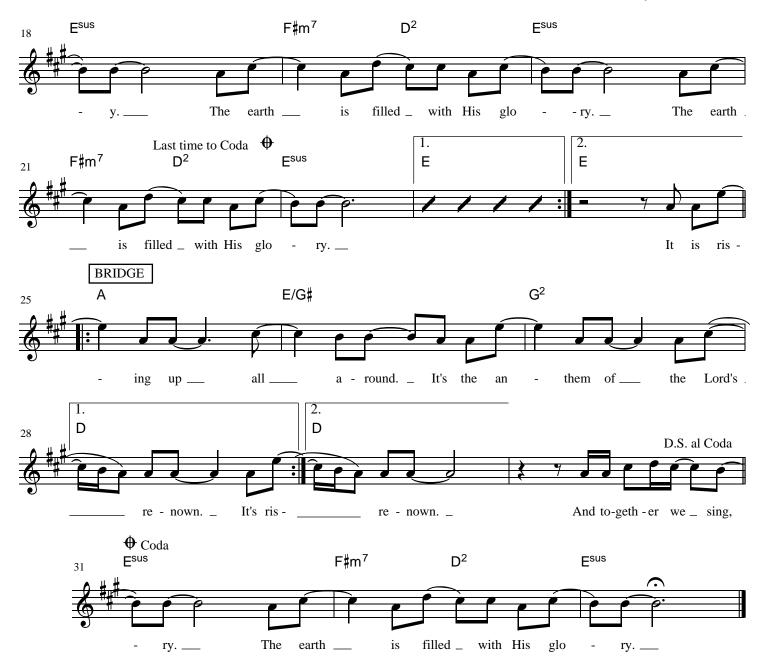
Choose one thing that your family will do together every Sunday. Maybe you'll make pizza, play games, or take a walk....Enjoy your time with each other.

Holy Is The Lord

Words and Music by Chris Tomlin and Louie Giglio



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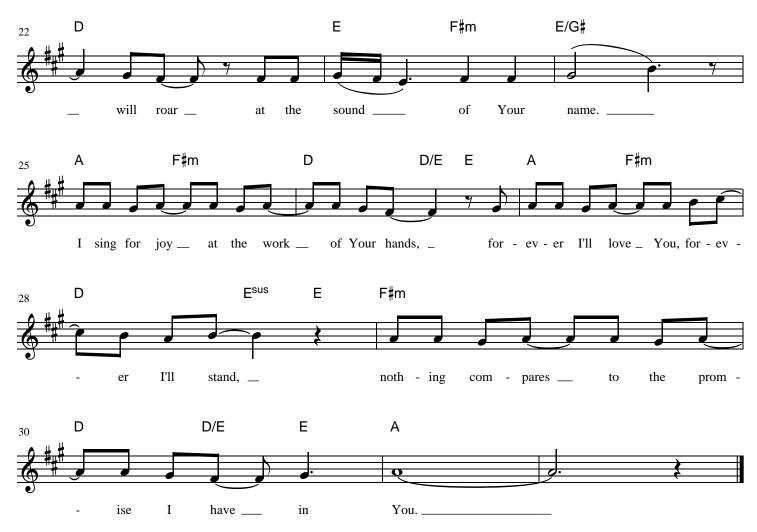


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