Welcome to worship at New Hanover

The Holy Trinity May 30, 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.

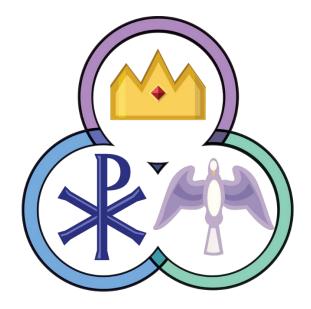
Parking:

- 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

When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

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/or on YouTube.

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

Prelude

Songs of America

Handbell Ensemble

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Bartholdy: Organ Sonata No. 1 in F Minor, Op. 65 - Mvt. II Adagio Felix Mendelssohn

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Welcome

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

Gathering Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

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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.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Word

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

Gospel Hymn

Come, Join the Dance of the Trinity

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John 3:1-17

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

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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

Sermon

Song of the Day Lord of all creation Of water earth and sky The heavens are Your tabernacle Glory to the Lord on high

Chorus

God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy holy The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy holy Lord of heaven and earth Lord of heaven and earth

Early in the morning I will celebrate the light When I stumble in the darkness I will call Your name by night

Bridge Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth) Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth) Hallelujah (to the Lord of heaven and earth) God of Wonders

Litany for the Nation in Time of War

O God, the Father in heaven, have mercy on us.

O God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, **have mercy on us.**

O God, the Holy Spirit, **have mercy upon us.**

O Christ, merciful Savior, hear us in this hour: **O Christ, visit us with your compassion.**

For our sins by which we have grieved you; for the ways in which we forget your steadfast love; for our indifference to the gospel and the witness of your church; for our apathy toward your call to faith; for our failure to see the spiritual needs of those around us:

we beg your forgiveness, O Lord.

O Christ, forgive us. O Christ, deliver us.

That our nation may remember you as the God of mercy and truth; that the fulfillment of your will may be our desire; that we may be healed from the motives of greed and revenge; that we may discover through you a deeper experience of prayer; that we may offer unselfish devotion to the well-being of our nation; that you would uphold and guide our president and all in authority; that you would defend and preserve our soldiers, sailors, and air force; and that all our people may seek courage and a spirit of endurance: **we ask this, O Lord.**

To comfort those under the constant strain of apprehension; to remember those in captivity; to bind up the wounded, sheltering them under your care; to stretch out your arm to all who are lonely, tempted, or discouraged; to have mercy upon all who trust in you: **we ask this, O Lord.**

To hasten the day of peace; to cast away the threads of hate; to forgive our enemies; to scatter any who delight in war; and to renew steadfast faith within us: hear us, good Lord, and receive our prayer.

O Christ, spare us. O Christ, heal us.

Prayers of Intercession Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Peace The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you. 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

Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah Declaring the Word of the Lord And these are the days Of Your servant Moses Righteousness being restored And though these are days Of great trials Of famine and darkness and sword Still we are the voice In the desert crying Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Chorus

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds Shining like the sun, at the trumpet call So lift your voice. It's the year of Jubilee And out of Zion's hill Salvation comes

And these are the days of Ezekiel The dry bones becoming as flesh And these are the days Of Your servant David Rebuilding a temple of praise And these are the days of the harvest The fields are as white in the world And we are the labourers In Your vineyard Declaring the Word of the Lord

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

Morgan Sauers

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Announcements

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

Graduation Sunday is July 4th. Graduates from Winter 2020-Spring 2021 will be acknowledged during the worship service. Graduates should email their name, graduation date, school, awards and future plans to Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org so we can include them in the recognition.

2021 Summer Yoga Class Series: Cleanse, Stretch and Grow! Classes will be held Thursdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM June 10th, 17th, 24th and July 1st. Classes are for all levels and anyone age 13 years and up. Those who are age 13-18 should be accompanied by an adult. Classes will focus on cleansing mind, body and spirit, stretching and strengthening and growing an intention towards peace and unity within. Classes are held in the meadow at the church, weather permitting. The cost is a free-will donation with proceeds assisting the Peer Support Recovery Ministry and Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry. To sign up, text or call Leslie Gates at (484) 686-8619.

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).

Thank you from Lincoln and Barbara Noecker to everyone for their prayers, words of comfort and cards following the death of Lincoln's father, Kenneth.

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 a 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.

A Community Blood Drive hosted by the Optimist Club of Boyertown will be held on Saturday, June 26th, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM at Windlestrae Park, located at 132 Chalet Road in Gilbertsville. Appointments are required. To sign up, contact Miller-Keystone Blood Center at GIVEaPINT.ORG and use sponsor code 8744.

Faith Formation

VBS 2021 is coming! Join us for "**God's Good Creation**" which will be both online and in-person and done in collaboration with some of our neighboring Lutheran congregations. For five consecutive Mondays beginning June 21st, an online "welcome video" introducing the week's theme will be posted. Each Wednesday for those five weeks, beginning June 23rd, **children and parents** will meet outdoors, 6:30-8 PM, at NHELC for a story time, yoga/mindfulness exercises, a mission-related project and a snack. We will also be posting some of those activities online for children who still cannot attend in-person activities. New this year: an **Adult VBS** which will meet outdoors those Wednesday mornings, 10-11:30 AM at NHELC. Bring a comfortable lawn chair in which to relax! All outdoor gatherings will follow CDC recommendations. An online registration for children and adults can be found on the Faith Formation page of our church website. Early registration is encouraged to help with planning. For adults without computer access a hard copy is in our June-July newsletter with extras

also in the wooden pick-up box outside of the Sunday School portico door. Also, you can call the church office and leave contact information on Deacon Carol's voicemail. Contact Deacon Carol for more information.

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.

Camp Falckner 2021 Registration is available on the church's website at newhanoverlutheran.org. This year's theme is "Ready, Set, Go! 'Here I am, Lord.'" Camp Falckner is an overnight camping experience for youth completing fifth – twelfth grade and will be held July $27^{\text{th}} - 30^{\text{th}}$ in the New Hanover Lutheran Church picnic grove.

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"!

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.

Drop off grocery donation this 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, Patricia Hoffman, Andy Van Dyke, Lilly Marie Kuzminski, Donald Gabel

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; Ken Noecker, Lincoln Noecker's father; Linford Moyer and Doris Renninger

Shut-ins

Penny Frymoyer, Fran E. Weaver, 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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Thinking in threes

Today is Trinity Sunday. These brothers Thomas, Tim, and Tyler are looking for ways to bring God's love to others in their neighborhood. How could they use the items pictured? Make up stories that tell how the triplets could help people. What other sets of threes could they use to serve others?



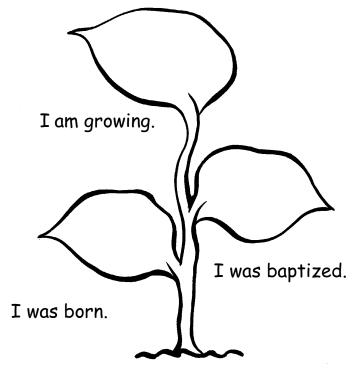
This week

Plan a Trinity snack that serves a food in three different ways such as apple slices, apple sauce, and apple juice.



gather

Welcome to worship. Easter has passed and we are all growing in God's love. We are children of God at any age. Draw pictures in the leaves below to match what it says next to each leaf. You are a child of God!



Today is Trinity Sunday. Color in a set of leaves each time you hear "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit" spoken in today's worship.

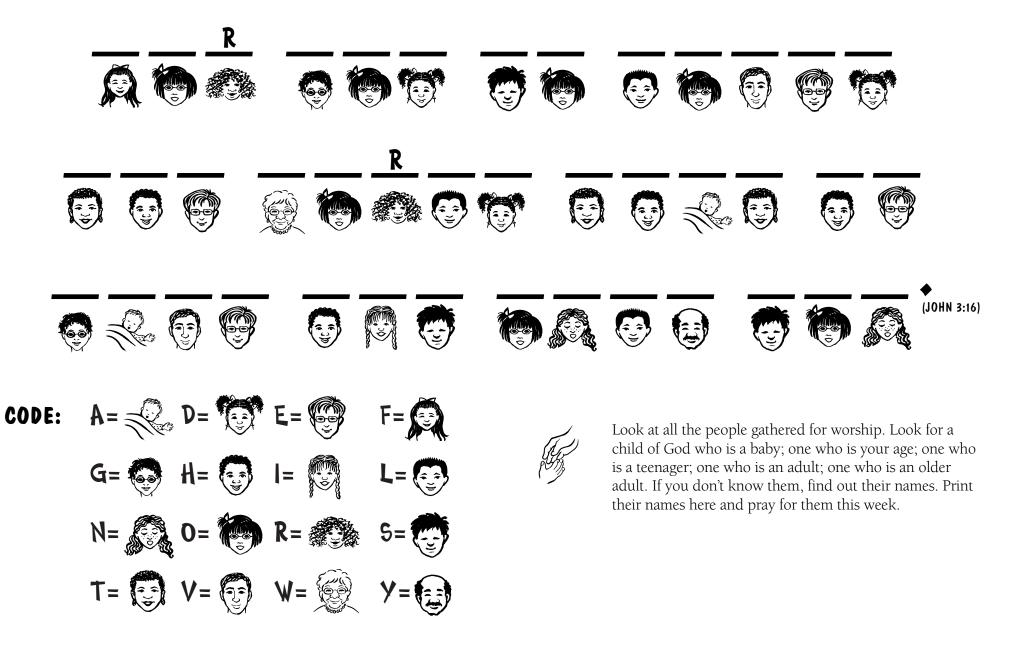






hear & celebrate

Nicodemus was puzzled about the things Jesus taught him. Solve this puzzle to find a very famous Bible verse. One letter has been done for you.



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