Welcome to worship at New Hanover Lutheran Church

Third Sunday after Pentecost June 13, 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, continues 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!
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- 3. General information including access to live and recorded worship services can be found here: *http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/*.



Little Acts of Love that Grow

The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.

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 Carolyn Fleming, soloist

Children's Message (Online, streamed video)

Announcements (Online, streamed video)

Prelude Six Songs without Words, No. 2. Andante Espressivo

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

"Six Songs without Words, No. 2. Andante Espressivo" by Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy. Music is in public domain.

Welcome

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

Gathering Hymn

Come, Though Fount of Every Blessing"

ELW #807

Hayley Quigley

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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 are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Word

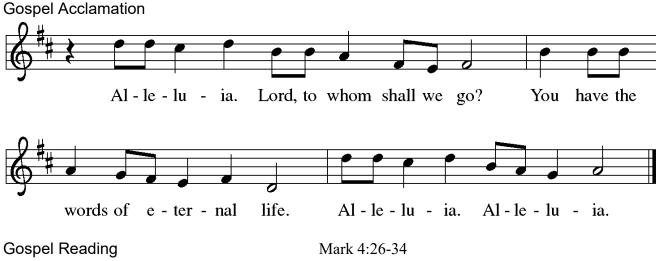
The Gospel speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

Gospel Hymn

Build Us Up, Lord"

ELW #670

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

²⁶[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

³⁰He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

Sermon

Song of the Day I Don't Fee I don't feel no-ways tired, I come too far from where I started from Nobody told me that the road would be easy and I don't believe he's brought me this far to leave me

I just can't give up now Come too far from where I started from Nobody told me that the road would be easy and I don't believe he's brought me this far to leave me

I don't feel no ways tired Come too far from where I started from Nobody told me the road would be easy and I Don't believe he brought me this I I don't believe he's brought me this I and I don't believe he's brought me this far

I Don't Feel No-Ways Tired

I don't believe he's brought me this far to leave me I don't believe he's brought me this far to leave me I don't believe he's brought me this far to leave me I don't believe he's brought me this far to leave me.

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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,

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

and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

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

Sending

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

Announcements

Sending Song Verse Through You the blind will see Through You the mute will sing Through You the dead will rise Through You all hearts will praise Through You the darkness flees Through You my heart screams I am free

Chorus

I am free to run I am free to run I am free to dance I am free to dance I am free to live for You I am free to live for You I am free I am free (Yeah I am free I am free)

Ending O I am free I am free I am free I am free

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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

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I Am Free

Announcements

The *Word in Season* **daily devotion books** July – September are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their church family by Steve and Faye Weidner. The booklets have arrived and are available in the box outside the Sunday School door and are available from the ushers.

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

Beginning next Sunday the worship service will be held in the Picnic Grove on Swamp Picnic Road. Online, streamed video of the children's message and announcements will begin at 8:45 followed by the live worship service beginning at 9:00.

A Father's Day Picnic will be held on June 20th at noon at the Picnic Grove. The Picnic Grove committee will be serving grilled chicken. Bring a covered dish and/or dessert to share. A free-will offering will be appreciated.

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 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.

We need your help in the Garden of Hope. The garden is producing 120 pounds of leafy produce each week. This equates to 660 meals each week. Each Monday and Thursday mornings at 7:00 we harvest the garden. Each Wednesday evening at 4:30 we are also in the garden doing various chores. Check out this link, https://trellis4tomorrow.org/blog/, from our partner Trellis 4 Tomorrow giving garden tips and much more.

Contact Donna Kehs at donnakehs@gmail.com, or pastor Scott at (610) 326-1335 ext. 1, or at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org with any questions.

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 – 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 26^{th} , 9 AM – 2 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.

Daily Bread Community Food Pantry is collecting school supplies for children of their clients. The biggest needs this year include backpacks - small - medium and especially large, 24 count packs of crayons, Fiskar children's scissors, boxes of 24 colored pencils, plastic pencil boxes, pencil cases with 3 holes to go into binders for the older children, composition books for elementary age school children, red pens, 3x5 index cards, dividers for binders, 1" three-ring binders, folders with prongs, three-ring loose leaf filler paper, black dry erase

markers, packs of dry erase markers containing four different colors, highlighters of any color, mechanical pencils, Sharpie markers, small pencil sharpeners, packs of Post-It notes and flash drives. Donations will be accepted through mid-August. Drop off donation at the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry, 3938B Ridge Pike in Collegeville, Monday through Friday from 9 A.M. until Noon, except Wednesdays between 9 - 11 AM, when they are distributing food to clients. Off hours you can drop off school supplies in the beige bin near the garage doors on the side of the food pantry.

We are hiring a Director of Children, Family & Youth Ministry!

NHELC is accepting resumes for this new position. Please read below the expectations and if you or if you know someone who may be interested, please check out the Job Description on our website under the Faith Formation tab. Please forward a resume to Pastor Scott at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org. If you have any questions, email Pastor Scott.

The Director of Children, Family & Youth Ministry extends the ministry of New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church (NHELC) into the congregation and community through various activities designed to engage youth and families and strengthen their faith in our Lord.

Ministry Goals

- 1. As part of the staff leadership of New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church, work with and guide all people of this church so that they are thriving, passionate disciples of Jesus Christ.
- 2. To oversee, and in partnership with other leaders, coordinate, strengthen, expand and create ministries that help children, youth and families grow as disciples in mission, faith formation, inclusivity for all, and loving their neighbor.
- 3. To work in partnership with parents to assist them in their baptismal responsibility to help their children grow as followers of Jesus Christ.
- 4. By encouraging and mentoring, recruit and equip more leaders into children, youth and adult ministry.

Faith Formation

VBS 2021 is coming! Join us for a Family Faith Formation experience **"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 10:00 AM. 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 or at 11 AM 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, 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, Janet

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 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

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

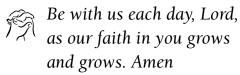
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ſend

Joe and his friend Thomas like to play together. Joe doesn't come to church often. How can Thomas spread the seed of God's love to Joe?

Print their thoughts or words in the bubbles.





this week

Take a walk this week, notice all of the growing plants around you, and see if you can find out what some of their seeds are like.

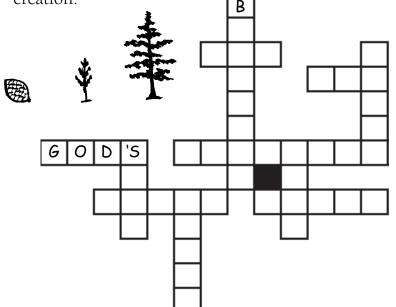
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gather

Welcome to worship.

Do you see things in your worship place that are made from wood? The wood and trees are a part of God's creation.



Think of the tiny seeds that become sturdy trees, a home for animals and birds and a source of wood for our own use. Place the wood words into the crossword puzzle above.

Wood Words					
GOD'S	CEDAR	OAK	BIRCH	FIR	SEED
ACORN	TWIG	GREEN	CREATION		BRANCHES

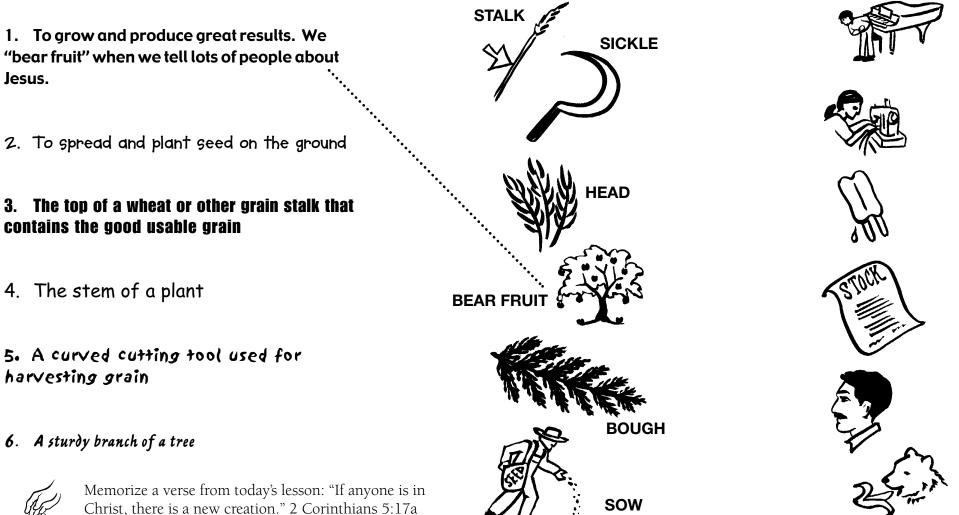
hear & Celebrate

Today's gospel, and also the First Reading, talk about growing things. Jesus said that God's kingdom is, in a way, like seeds that have been planted and now are growing.

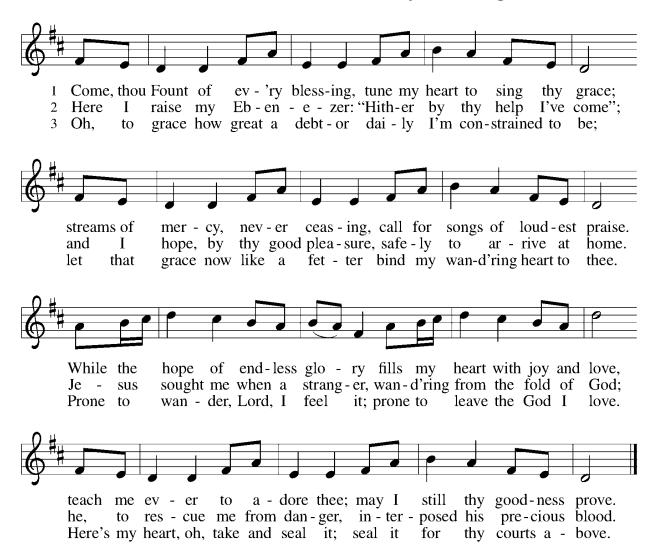
Below, match the meaning on the left with the correct picture in the middle. Then, just for fun, see if you can match that picture to something on the right that sounds like it. (Like the way "I" and "eye" sound alike.)

DEFINITIONS

How can you become a new creation every day?



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