Welcome to worship at New Hanover Lutheran Church

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost July 25, 2021



Rescuing the Hungry and Frightened

In this spectacular account of the feeding of the five thousand and Jesus' walking on water, we have a Jesus choosing to feed all and to be present to the those in danger. However, in each case those whom Jesus was present reacted differently than we would have imagined. It begs to ask; how might we react to the presence of Christ coming into our lives in times of need? How might that encounter change our lives?

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

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

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!

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

Children's Message (Online, streamed video) Nikki Young

Prelude

Welcome

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

Gathering Hymn

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing (The Feast Is Ready)
ELW #531

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.

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Word

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

Gospel Hymn Go, My Children, with My Blessing ELW #543

Gospel Acclamation





Gospel Reading John 6:1-21
The holy gospel according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. 5When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." 8One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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

Sermon

Song of the Day Came to My Rescue
Falling on my knees in worship
Giving all I am to seek Your face
Lord all I am is Yours

My whole life I place in Your hands God of mercy humbled I bow down In Your presence at Your throne

Chorus
I called You answered
And You came to my rescue
And I, I wanna be where You are

Bridge In my life be lifted high In our world be lifted high In our love be lifted high

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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.

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,

Sending

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

Announcements

Sending Song How Deep the Father's Love for Us
How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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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
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Go get'em!!!

Postlude

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Announcements

The bulletin and flowers are presented to the glory of God by Carl and Barbara Eisenhart in honor of Ruth Wirt and in memory of Ralph Wirt.

Thank you to the essential workers whose dedication and support allowed us to continue the ministry of New Hanover Lutheran Church and the cooperation of the congregation during the pandemic.

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.

Sound and video assistants needed for worship broadcast and live stream video. Training will be provided. For more information or to sign up, contact Pastor Scott at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org or (610) 326-1335 ext. 1.

NHELC Camp Falckner 2021 is a Go! *Ready, Set, Go!* – "*Here I am, Lord*" Keep the youth and adult campers in your prayers this week as they set out on finding for what the Lord is calling them.

Galilean Worship The Congregation is invited to join Camp Falckner on Thursday, July 29th, at 8:45 PM for the Galilean Worship service at the church parking lot. The Galilean Worship is a camp tradition, allowing campers, staff and others to worship in an outdoor setting. Bring a chair and flashlight and follow the "lighted path" in the parking lot to the seating area. Those who would like to join in the silent walk to the church then back to the picnic grove following worship with the campers and staff are welcome. Parking is available at the church for those who prefer to drive to worship. In the event of rain, worship will be held in the church.

Fall Planting Volunteers are needed on Friday, July 30th, 9 AM to help in the Garden of Hope with fall planting. Any questions, contact Donna Kehs at donnakehs@gmail.com.

Women's Breakfast is held the second Tuesday of the month at Three Cousins Diner in Pottstown. Ladies, and husbands too, are invited to join the group for breakfast at 8:30. A head count is needed so call or email Sandy Wesner at (215) 679-9021 or slwesner@comcast.net by noon the Monday before the breakfast. Three Cousins Diner is located at 80 East High Street in Pottstown with plenty of parking in the back offering easy access to the Diner

NHELC Men's Breakfast Join in good food and friendly conversations at 8:00 on the second Saturday of the month at Brookside Family Restaurant. No registration is required. Brookside is located at 1338 North Charlotte Street. Any questions, contact Ron Fegley at (484) 415-0386.

The Great Swamp Picnic is back! Save the date - August 28th from 4:00-8:00 PM. Volunteers are needed. Contact Sally Sugita if you are interested in helping (610-505-9682 or sallysugita@yahoo.com). More information coming soon!

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.

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, Fiskars 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. Or, drop off school supplies in the beige bin near the garage doors on the side of the food pantry at any time.

Faith Formation

A HUGE thanks to all who helped with this year's VBS. From the original planning team with folks from Grace, Emmanuel, NHELC, St. James and St. Luke to the many wonderful volunteers who helped craft the five-week program, we are so very grateful. Also we appreciated all the families who supported the program in its "pandemic transitional" form, including those who attended the adult sessions each Wednesday morning. Thank you all for your time, commitment and hard work for making VBS 2021 a joyful experience!

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. To request a prayer, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org 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"!

50,000 MEALS DELIVERED NHELC Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry CHANGES LIVES

How to Be Part of the Team that Changes Lives

Donate Food

Wednesdays 1 - 2 PM Sundays 9 - 10 AM

- 1. Hamburger
- 2. Chicken (thighs and breast meat)
- 3. Pasta (ziti, elbows, bowties)
- 4. Cheese (mozzarella, cheddar, parmesan)
- 5. Potatoes
- 6. Fresh Fruit (apples, oranges, bananas)
- 7. Eggs

Donate Money

Thrivent Gift Cards

Mail donations to New Hanover Lutheran Church, 2941 Lutheran Road, Gilbertsville, PA 19525

Deliver Meals

Signup at https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/

GARDEN OF HOPE

Garden Times

Mondays 7 - 10 AM Wednesdays 4:30 - 5:30 PM Thursdays 7 - 10 AM Saturdays as announced

Volunteers may serve as much or little as they can. Additional hours and tasks can be coordinated with Donna Kehs at donnakehs@gmail.com.

Are you a Thrivent Member? We need your Action Team support. It's free!

Each Thrivent member receives free of charge two (2) \$250.00 gifts a year to help our church or charity. Our church is growing and there are many events which were not budgeted, for that we could use your help.

- 1. Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry
- 2. Garden of Hope Plants & Supplies
- 3. FLUTTER (Youth) Activities
- 4. Community Family Events

See Pastor Scott or logon at https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-action-teams/ to get the details. It's easy to do. So please help NHELC.

Involve others and allow them to witness the joy of Generosity and Serving our Community.

Bring together a volunteer team of friends, family and people in your community to have a bigger impact. Call the church office for assistance at (610) 326-1335; ask for Pastor Scott.

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, 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, 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, Tom Swanson, Tricia Hoak family, Carly, Karen Eisenhart Long, Rick Hansen and Marilyn Varnum

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

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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Friendly fish \circ

The first Christians used the fish symbol as a secret greeting. One person would trace an arch in the dust like this:

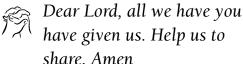
The other person would add another arch like this:

Together, it made a fish. Christians today still use the fish as a symbol for Jesus' followers.

Draw more fish here using only two lines for each fish. Share the drawing space with a friend, each person drawing one of the arches.







This week

Bake bread or rolls from a favorite recipe or from frozen prepared dough and share it with a neighbor.





Welcome to worship.

Communion is a special time for all of God's family. It is a *sacrament* and sometimes called the Holy Eucharist or the Lord's Supper. At communion we share bread and wine with each other. We remember that Jesus Christ is with us.

Draw the bread and wine from communion in the ministers' hands.



hear & celebrate

More than enough

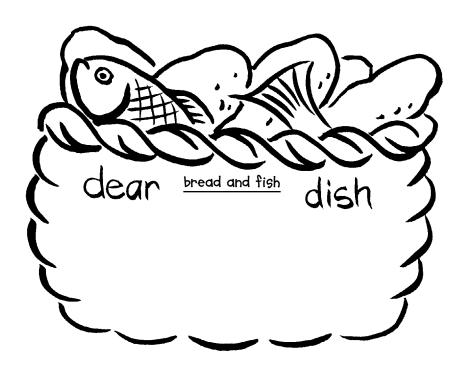
John 6:1-21

So many people and not enough food! The disciples wondered what they should do to feed such a crowd. "There is a boy here with bread and fish, but what good will that do?" wondered Andrew, Jesus' disciple.



So many people and PLENTY of food! With Jesus' blessing everyone had enough to eat. Find the two fish and five loaves of bread hidden in the picture and circle them.

You can multiply "BREAD AND FISH" into many more words by combining letters in different orders. How many can you make? The list is started for you.





Share a handshake, hug, or smile with someone at worship today. Your kind action will multiply to others!

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing (The Feast Is Ready)

The trumpets sound the angels sing The feast is ready to begin The gates of heav'n are open wide And Jesus welcomes you inside

Tables are laden with good things O taste the peace and joy He brings He'll fill you up with love divine He'll turn your water into wine

Chorus

Sing with thankfulness Songs of pure delight Come and revel in Heaven's love and light Take your place at the Table of the King The feast is ready to begin The feast is ready to begin

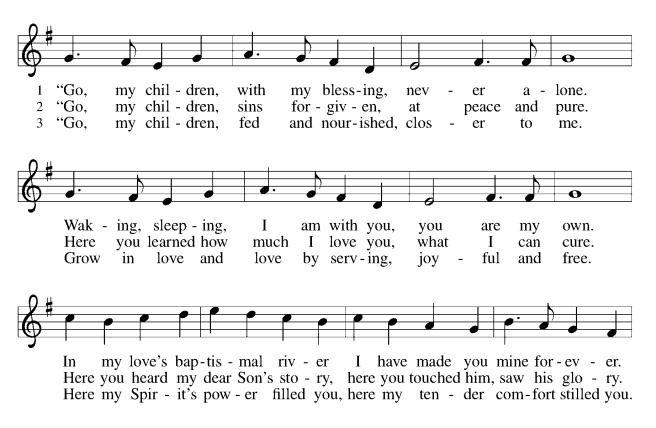
The hungry heart He satisfies Offers the poor His paradise Now hear all heaven and earth applaud The amazing goodness of the Lord

Bridge

Jesus (Jesus) We thank You (we thank You) For Your love (for Your love) For Your joy (for Your joy) Jesus (Jesus) We thank You (we thank You) For the good things (for the good things) You give to us (You give to us)

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Go, My Children, with My Blessing





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