

**Welcome to worship at
New Hanover Lutheran Church
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 19, 2021**



Recovery Is for Everyone

**The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor
Richard Thomas, director of GRACE Band and soloist
Carolyn Fleming, soloist
Ryan Schweiger, guest speaker**

**All Worship can be viewed online at
newhanoverlutheran.org,
[facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch](https://www.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*)

Prelude

Welcome

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

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

On Eagle's Wings

ELW #787

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, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Word

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

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Scripture Reading Isaiah 40:26-31

A reading from Isaiah

²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God”?

²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

Recovery Is for Everyone

Ryan Schweiger

Song of the Day *Indescribable*

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

Chorus 1

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God
All powerful untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night
None can fathom

Chorus 2

Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God
Incomparable unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart
And You love me the same
You are amazing God

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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
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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 *Hello My Name Is*

Woah woah woah

Woah woah woah

Hello my name is regret
I'm pretty sure we have met
Every single day of your life
I'm the whisper inside
That won't let you forget

Hello my name is defeat
I know you recognize me
Just when you think you can win
I'll drag you right back down again
'Til you've lost all belief

Pre-Chorus

These are the voices these are the lies
And I have believed them for the very last time

Chorus

Hello my name is child of the one true King
I've been saved I've been changed
I have been set free
Amazing grace is the song I sing
Hello my name is child of the one true King

Interlude

Woah woah woah

I am no longer defined
By all the wreckage behind
The one who makes all things new
Has proven it's true
Just take a look at my life

Chorus

Bridge

What love the Father has lavished
Upon us that we should be called His children
I am a child of the one true King
What love the Father has lavished
Upon us that we should be called His children

Chorus

Ending

Woah woah woah
I am a child of the one true King
Woah woah woah

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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

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.

Welcome to Ryan Schweiger, who will be speaking on Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Recovery this morning.

Serving Today Head Usher: Ed Becker; Ushers: Marty Hauser and Bryce Manthorne; Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs

Next week Head Usher: Scott Geiser; Ushers: Georgann Geiser and Rick Hausch; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermyer

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Doug and Kathy Taylor.

Rejoicing Spirits Outdoor Worship will be held this afternoon in the church parking lot. Fellowship begins at 2:30 followed by the worship service at 3:00. This service is for everyone and includes lots of music and joyous singing, a brief meaningful message, fellowship opportunities and light refreshments. Rejoicing Spirits is a ministry to enrich the spiritual lives of individuals with

developmental disabilities along with their families, friends and supportive community. Come and check it out.

Calendar

- Worship Service** – Today, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online
Food Drop Off – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen
Sunday School – Today, 10:15 AM, room 1 (Fellowship Hall)
Food Delivery Pickup – Today, noon, Sunday School Wing door
Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 PM, parking lot
AARP – Monday, 11:00 AM, room 1
Peer Support – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 33
Cub Scouts – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, rooms 1, 21-32, 37
Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, picnic grove
Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen
Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 2:00 PM, Sunday School Wing door
12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32
Thursdays at Ten – Thursday, 10:00 AM, room 33
Seniors Ministry Luncheon – Thursday, noon, Sunday School portico
Bell Choir Rehearsal – Thursday, 6:30 PM, room 15
Painting Event – Saturday, 2:00 – 4:00 PM, picnic grove
Worship Service – Next Sunday, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online
Food Drop Off – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen
Sunday School – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 1 (Fellowship Hall)
Food Delivery Pickup – Next Sunday, noon, Sunday School Wing door
Bridal Shower – Next Sunday, 12:30 – 5:00 PM, room 1
FLUTTER Youth Event – Next Sunday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM, picnic grove

Upcoming Events

Seniors Ministry Kickoff Luncheon this Thursday, September 23rd, 12 noon Weather permitting, the luncheon will be held in the portico area by the Sunday school wing so we can uphold Covid safety practices. The event will include: lunch by Chef Chris,

good fellowship and creative chatting about NHELCL's new Seniors Ministry. "Seniors" has no real defining age restriction – like AARP – 50 years and over – come on out and be a part of this new adventure! To RSVP, choose one of three easy ways to let us know you are coming: call the church office, sign up on the sheet in the Welcome Center or email Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org. We'll keep you posted with any updates or last minute changes.

Sunday School Help Needed We need your help! We are looking for Sunday School teachers, substitutes, or second adults. We provide you with the curriculum and whatever support you will need. If you are not comfortable teaching but are willing to just be a second adult/classroom observer, that is helpful. We would like to have an extensive substitute list to have others to call on if our regular teachers are feeling ill. Can't help weekly? That's ok! If you are interested at all, contact Nikki Young at the church or at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Amazing Raise October 2021 NHELCL is proud to be one of the 90 nonprofits invited to participate in the Amazing Raise in October. The Amazing Raise is a giving challenge that brings together the Tri-County region's nonprofit community to help raise much needed unrestricted funds and shine a spotlight on the work nonprofits do to make our community a better place to live and work.

Every donation we receive October 1 – 30, designated as "NHELCL Amazing Raise" will go further to help us claim our share in thousands of dollars in additional funds. A link will soon be available to support NHELCL for the month of October. Your donation is 100% tax deductible.

Garden of Hope Volunteers are needed to work in the garden. Hours are: Mondays 7-10 AM, Wednesdays 4:30-5:30 PM, Thursdays 7-10 AM and Saturdays to be announced. Would you like to help but can't serve during the designated hours? Additional hours and tasks can be coordinated with Donna Kehs. Contact Donna at donnakehs@gmail.com.

Painting Event on Saturday, September 25th, from 2 – 4 PM
Join us for a fun afternoon of painting a piece of fall inspired art. Amy's Art Shack will be here to lead us step by step through the

painting. No experience needed – this is meant to be a fun social event. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Weather permitting, we hope to be at the NHELIC Picnic Grove, but we will move indoors if the weather is not cooperative. The cost is \$40/person and Amy is donating \$15/person back to NHELIC programs. RSVP to Nikki Young by calling the church office or emailing nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Living History Cemetery Tour, Saturday October 23rd, (rain date October 30th), 2 - 4 PM (tours running every 20 minutes). Hosted by our new Seniors Ministry and part of the Amazing Raise fundraising month. Volunteers are needed for this event. We need folks to serve as greeters, tour guides (leading groups around the cemetery, no need to give speeches) and snack table helpers. And, if you know of an economical source from which we can borrow/rent costumes, contact Deacon Carol. For more information or to volunteer, contact Deacon Carol at the church office or at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Spiritual Renewal

The *Word in Season* daily devotion books October - December are available in the box outside the Sunday School door and are in the Welcome Center.

Places of Reflection and Prayer Did you know New Hanover has several places around the church that provide great places to connect with God? The gazebo located in the rear of the cemetery is maintained year-round and has recently been freshened up. Right now there are butterfly bushes and begonias blooming and it's a perfect place to read the Bible or pray. Also, a memorial bench, located on the south side of the church, is surrounded by nature and canopied by a large oak providing shade for those seeking a place of reprieve and solace. Take advantage of them and you'll find that God is ready both for listening and speaking.

Faith Formation

“Thursdays at Ten” is a discussion/fellowship gathering which meets Thursdays, 10 – 11:30 AM, room 33. Might even be some good snacks! Starting topic: **“A Quote A Day Keeps the Blues**

Away.” We’ll explore all kinds of meaningful quotes – some well-known, some others not so much and figure out how they can nourish our spiritual lives and help us let go of some of the stresses surrounding us these days. Contact Deacon Carol for more information.

Catechism for 2021-2022 We are getting ready to begin Catechism for the 2021-2022 school year. Catechism is typically for 8th and 9th graders and is a two-year program. If you are interested in catechism, contact Nikki Young at the church or email nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org.

Trauma: Travelling Through and Surviving by Pastor Scott
An Adult class discussion each Sunday at 10:15 AM in room 33 centering on the identification and effects of trauma, traveling through trauma and healing practices. We will study what one may learn through trauma, and how trauma may actually make us stronger if we allow ourselves to accept it and work through trauma.

Forward of the book study “Oneing: Trauma” by Richard Rohr: “The theme of the edition is timely, considering the loss of hundreds of thousands of lives due to a complex global pandemic, political upheaval, armed conflicts, and squalid migrant camps cropping up in many parts of the world, not to mention the suffering of countless kinds of animal and plant life due to global warming. Although it seems that we are living through end times, we can hope that transformation will be the result of this eye-opening, heartbreaking suffering.”

If you haven’t ordered your book, handouts are available.

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHEL C 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”!

Food Ministry

More than 50,000 meals have been delivered! 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 between 1 – 2 PM 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 donation in the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at <https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/>.

Support NHELC

Thrivent members receive free of charge two (2) \$250.00 gifts a year to help our church or charity. With your gifts, you can help Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry, Garden of Hope with plants and supplies, FLUTTER (Youth) activities and Community Family Events. For details, contact Pastor Scott or logon at <https://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-action-teams/>.

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.

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, 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, Gates family, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Alyssa Dierolf, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Catherine Underwood, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, June Urbassik, Frank D., Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Charles Rhoads, Andy Van Dyke, Lilly Marie Kuzminski, Donald Gabel, Janet, Tom Swanson, Tricia Hoak family, Carly, Marilyn Varnum, Jerry Dotterer, Stella Eidle, Feryl Stein

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

Grieving

Family and friends of Rick Hansen, Jean Boyer and Pat Wisler

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
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Recovery Is for Everyone

Every year around this time, I remember where I was 13 years ago because today, September 5, 2021 marks 13 years in recovery for me. I share this openly to raise awareness, reduce stigma around addiction/recovery and possibly give someone hope.

Recovery has given me such meaning and purpose in my life. At this very moment, I am at the beach in Cape May, enjoying this milestone with my wife and son. While I'm writing this, I'm looking out into the ocean and reflecting and thinking of the similarities between the ocean and my journey of recovery. The past 13 years haven't all been smooth sailing. Sometimes, there have been rough waters, high tides, crashing waves, and a strong rip tide. I think about how so much plays into the ocean's ecosystem, both internal and external, in all of its complexity. The ocean even connects with the moon. It's almost as complex as I am. Lol. Even the ocean doesn't change on its own. It has organisms, living and non-living things, interacting with it every second of every day. Very similar to the ripple effects that recovery has on the person, family, and community. When we are in the tough times in life/recovery, it's ok. Everyday can't be the perfect day at the shore, but it can still be beautiful and enjoyable though. There are many choices/pathways. Maybe we can fly a kite on the beach or build a sandcastle, go for a walk/run in the sand. The ocean is a magnificent force, and so is the process of recovery. Recovery is possible and probable for EVERYONE! Every Person, Every Family, Every Community. Every Day! I'm extremely grateful for everyone in a process of recovery and for everyone who has been a part of my recovery journey. Recovery is a "we thing." I could never do this alone. Thanks to EVERYONE who has participated in my journey and those who have allowed me to participate in theirs.

Each September, Recovery Month works to promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices, the emergence of a strong and proud recovery community, and the dedication of service providers and community members across the nation who make recovery in all its forms possible.

The 2021 National Recovery Month theme, "Recovery is For Everyone: Every Person, Every Family, Every Community, reminds people in recovery and those who support them that no one is alone in the journey through recovery. Everyone's journey is different, but we are all in this together.

Ryan Schweiger, Director of Peer Support Recovery Ministry

Harvesting Hope Fair

October 2nd

11 AM - 3 PM

Join the fun for all ages and help save lives!
Donate to our Amazing Raise Events in October, and/or
attend our events to feed, save and change lives.

Fire Trucks

Med Evac Helicopter

Touch a Truck

Tractors

Hay Ride

Pulled Pork Barbeque

Christmas Flea Market

Live Music – Richard Thomas

Games

Clown Face Painting

Bouncy Rides

Non-Profit Ministries

Dragsters

Organic Garden Demos

All Donations will support the nonprofit ministries that are feeding, saving and changing lives locally through the Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry, Garden of Hope and the Peer Support Recovery Ministry.

Donations will receive a bonus match by the TCN (TriCounty Community Network). Check us out at

<https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/nhelc-and-the-amazing-raise/>.

<https://www.amazingraisetricounty.org/nhelc/>



Send

Dressed to serve

A child ready for baptism is often dressed in white. Pastors are often dressed in a white robe, too. At our baptism God calls us to be servants. How can you serve God in your church and at home?

How does your pastor serve at church?

Fill in the missing lines to complete this baptism picture. Add more water drops coming from the pastor's hand.



This week

Try giving others a chance to be first in line, first to eat, or first to choose. Serving others can feel good!

Kids Celebrate

Lectionary 25

gather

Welcome to worship. All are welcome at worship from the youngest to the oldest, from the first one to enter the worship place to the last.

These worshipers have matching items with other worshipers across the aisle. Draw a line to connect the six matching items.



hear & celebrate

Mark 9:30-37

Jesus turned everything upside down for the disciples!

They wanted to be greatest but Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be _____ must be _____ of all and

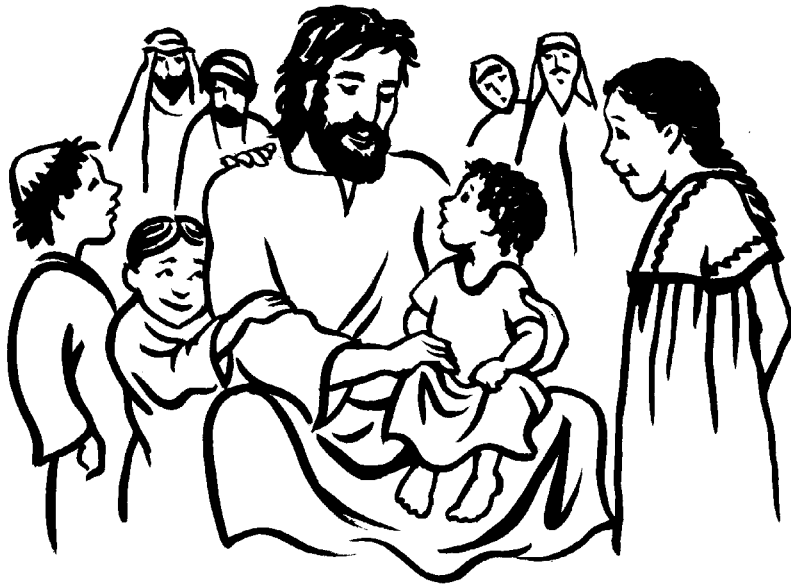
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TSAL

_____ of all."

TNAVRES

Fill in the blanks by reversing the order of the letters. The last is now first.



Who are the people serving by helping in worship today?

Use the clues beside each word to figure out the words from first to last. The last word is someone Jesus loves. The first word is done for you, and part of the second.

(Hint: Take away one letter from the first word and scramble the letters to make the next smaller word on the puzzle.)

T R A I P S E a word meaning to walk

S _____ a line on a flag

_____ a car sits on these

_____ a helium balloon will do this

_____ a polite way to address a man

_____ not "isn't"

_____ a name for yourself



*I will be your servant,
Lord. Stay with me
always. Amen*

On Eagle's Wings



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,



say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.



2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring you no



fear; un-der God's wings your ref-uge, with faith-ful-ness your shield.



3 You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by



day; though thou-sands fall a - bout you, near you it shall not come.



4 For to the an-gels God's giv-en a com-mand to



guard you in all of your ways; up-on their hands they will



bear you up, lest you dash your foot a-gainst a stone.

Final refrain



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.



And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

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