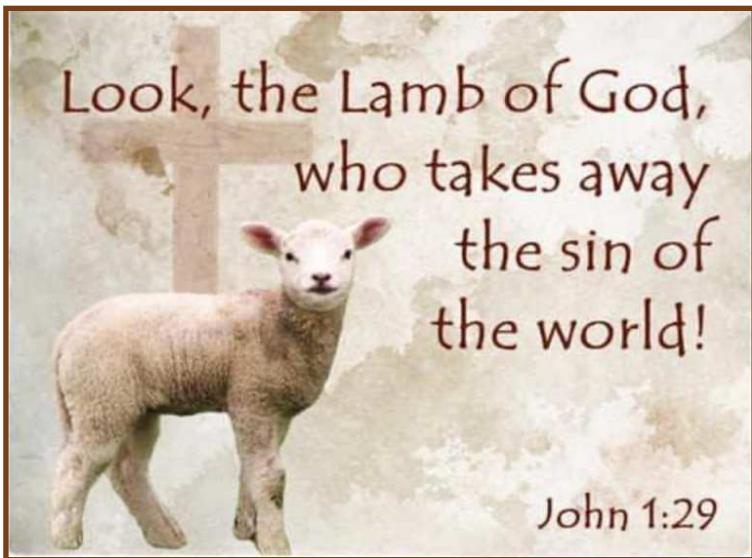


**Welcome to Worship at  
New Hanover Evangelical  
Lutheran Church**

**Second Sunday after Epiphany  
January 15, 2023**

**Healing Worship**



Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.



# Word

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

The Reading 1 Corinthians 1:1-9  
A reading for the book of 1 Corinthians

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

<sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Here ends the reading

Gospel Reading John 1:29-42  
The holy gospel according to John

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

<sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup>I myself did not

know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”<sup>32</sup> And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.<sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’<sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

<sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,<sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”<sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.<sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”<sup>39</sup> He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.<sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.<sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).<sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

The Rev. Scott Staub

Hymn of the Day

*There is a Balm in Gilead*

ELW #614

Healing

Introduction

Our Lord Jesus healed many as a sign of the reign of God come near and sent the disciples to continue this work of healing—with prayer, the laying on of hands, and anointing. In the name

of Christ, the great healer and reconciler of the world, we now entrust to God all who are in need of healing.

### Prayers of Intercession

Strengthened by the Spirit who gives us words to speak and hearts that care, let us bring our hopes and needs to God who listens.

We pray for healing worship, that your love will fill our hearts through our songs and prayers and give us strength to spread your word. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing growth, that this land you have made will continue to sustain life of all kinds—plants, animals, and people. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing words among peoples and places where violence, mistrust, anger, and division reign. Send your Spirit to bring much-needed peace to our relationships and our world. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing rest for those whose bodies and spirits are weary and in pain. Surround them with your care and love. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing time, when we can focus on you and your renewing love. Amidst our busy lives, help us to stop, focus, and rest in you. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing hope for those whose loved ones have died, and give thanks for the lives of those who have gone before us in faith. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, God of mercy, confident that all things are in your hands. In Jesus' name we pray.

**Amen.**

### Laying on of Hands

Sisters and brothers, I invite you to come and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God.

*Those who wish to receive laying on of hands (and anointing) approach and, as conditions permit, they may kneel.*

Receive this oil as a sign of forgiveness and healing in Jesus Christ.

**Response:** Amen.

*After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands, and the presiding minister continues.*

### Healing Hymns

*Healer of Our Every Ill*

WOV #738

*(Please join in singing as people come forward to receive a blessing and to be anointed.)*

### *How Sweet the Sound*

Words & Music by Ben & Josh Calhoun

Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermeyer, and Josh Young

### Verse 1

Yea, though I walk through the valley  
I know that You are always right beside me  
And I will fear no evil  
You're my rock and my strength  
You comfort me

### Chorus

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
I hear You singing over me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
And it's beautiful  
Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
It covers every part of me  
My soul is silent, I am found

And it's a beautiful sound  
It's a beautiful, beautiful sound

### Verse 2

Carry me through the waters  
Where Your peaks clears away all my sorrow  
Nothing can separate us  
From Your love, oh Your love  
It will always be

### Chorus

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
I hear You singing over me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
And it's beautiful  
Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
It covers every part of me  
My soul is silent, I am found  
And it's a beautiful sound  
It's a beautiful, beautiful sound

### Bridge x2

You were healing in the pain  
You were shelter in the storm  
Hallelujah, you restored my soul

### Chorus

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
I hear You singing over me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
It covers every part of me  
My soul is silent, I am found  
And it's a beautiful sound  
A beautiful, beautiful sound  
A beautiful, beautiful sound

(You were healing in the pain  
You were shelter in the storm  
Hallelujah, you restored my soul)  
A beautiful, beautiful sound

Let us pray.

Living God, through the laying on of hands [and anointing],  
grant comfort in suffering to all who are in need of healing.  
When they are afraid, give them courage;  
when afflicted, give them patience;  
when dejected, give them hope;  
and when alone, assure them of the support of your holy people.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**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.**

Offertory

Anthem

*Hear My Prayer, O God*

Chancel Choir

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# Sending

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

## Announcements

### Sending Song

*God, When Human Bonds Are Broken* ELW #603

### Blessing

The God of all consolation bless you in every way,  
grant you hope all the days of your life,  
restore you to health and grant you salvation,  
fill your heart with peace,  
and lead you to eternal life.

Almighty God bless you,  
the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### Dismissal

Go in peace. 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](mailto:pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org) or (610) 326-1335 ext. 1.

**Sponsors are needed.** Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 and flowers are \$40. Sponsor the *Word in Season* for \$40 a month, and sponsor Communion for \$30 a month. Contact

Church Office at (610) 326-1335 for available dates and to sign up or go online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-worship#/>

**Help avoid conflicts.** Since activities at the church are back to normal, check in with staff before scheduling an event to be held at the church. Also, appointments are requested for staff members.

### **Senior Ministry Discussion**

Monday, January 23, at 10:30 AM – Room 33

As a follow-up to our meeting on December 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be discussing the ideas presented and how we effectively bring these ideas to active ministries. I look forward to discussing these potential ministries and any other ideas. Please mark your calendar and join us. If you have any questions please contact me and thank you for your service, Pastor Scott.

## **Today**

**The bulletin and flowers** are presented to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, Larry by Becky Gallagher.

**Serving Today** Head Usher: Ed Becker; Ushers: Adam Becker, Bryce Manthorne; Lector: Ed Becker Children’s Sermon: Carolyn Springer, Acolyte: Bryce Manthorne

**Next Sunday** Head Usher: Marty Hauser; Ushers: Stacey & Todd Rothermel; Lector: Erica Lucas; Children’s Sermon: Hailey Quigley; Acolyte: Ainsley Lucas

**Altar Guild Serving this Month** Jean Moser, Jane Johnson, Jo Anne Wirt

## **Calendar**

**Worship Service** – Today, 9:00 AM, sanctuary and online

**Food Drop Off** – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

**Food Delivery Pickup** – Today, 10:00 AM, portico

**J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)** – Today, 10:05 – 11:05 AM, room 1

**Adult Forum: Politics & Religion** – Today, 10:15 – 11:05 AM, room 33

**Rejoicing Spirits**– Today, 2:30 pm

**MLK Jr. Holiday**– Church Office Closed

**AARP Meeting**– Monday, 11:00 AM, fellowship hall

**Prayer Ministry** – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

**AARP Board** - Tuesday, 10:00 AM, Room 30

**Boy Scouts** – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1

**Food Drop Off** – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen

**Food Delivery Pickup** – Wednesday, 1:45 PM, portico

**12 Step** – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32

**Loaves & Fishes Meal**– 6:00 PM, fellowship hall

**Children’s Choir** – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:00 PM, room 15

**Chancel Choir** – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, room 15

**Cub Pack Committee**– Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

**Thursdays at Ten** – Thursday, 10:00 AM, room 33

**Bell Choir** – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15

**Congregation Council Meeting** - Thursday, 7:00 PM, Room 33

**Worship Service** – Next Sunday, 9:00 AM sanctuary and online

**Food Drop Off** – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

**Food Delivery Pickup** – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, portico

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AM, room 33

## **Upcoming Events**

**Constant Contact** is a weekly email offering events and worship news. Did you get an email from Constant Contact this week? If not, don’t miss out! Sign up by calling the church at (610) 326 1335 or emailing [cc-admin@newhanoverlutheran.org](mailto:cc-admin@newhanoverlutheran.org).

**Politics and Religion Bible Study - Sundays at 10:15 AM in room 33.** Now that I got your attention. Join me for a weekly public forum of how we as a people can share the wisdom of

the Bible to create an atmosphere where listening, loving and helping one another is a priority, and power and dominance are not a platform for public forums and discussions. The Readings and discussions will be posted on our website, and printed copies will be available each Sunday in Room 33 at 10:15 AM.

**Choir Rehearsals:** **Chancel Choir** rehearses Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:15 PM in the choir room (room 15). **Children’s Choir** rehearses Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:00 PM in the choir room. Interested in joining the Chancel Choir or Children’s Choir? Contact Director of Music Ministry Patricia Nyce for more information. **Bell Choir** rehearses on Thursdays, 6:15 – 7:30 PM in the choir room. For more information about the bell choir program, contact Bell Choir Director Barb Eisenhart.

**Senior Ministry Discussion Meeting**, Monday, January 23 at 10:30 AM in Room 33. A follow-up discussion on topics including the creation of a grieving ministry, ride share, archive initiatives, activities, and more. Please join us if you are interested in getting involved. Please contact Pastor Scott with any questions or ideas.

**The church book club** will be meeting **Tuesday, February 7** at 6:30 PM at The Grind in Boyertown to discuss Gracie’s Secret by Jill Childs. All are welcome to attend! To stay up to date with what’s happening, join the group’s Facebook page, NHELC Book Club. If you aren’t on Facebook, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com for information.

## You Can Help

**NHELC will be collecting non-perishable items** throughout the months of December, January, and February. Donations will be distributed through the Pottstown Cluster. Collection boxes are located in the welcome center and the fellowship hall for the donations. During the winter months there is an increased need for soup and crackers. Thank you for your contributions to help those in need.

Please consider **donating 2023 calendars** to be distributed to the inmates at the Phoenix (formerly Graterford) Prison. Please drop off your calendars in the box provided in the Welcome Center. These calendars are a much-appreciated gift enjoyed by the inmates.

**Sponsors needed for 2023.** You may now sign up to sponsor flowers, bulletins, communion, and the *Word in Season* online using <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-worship#/> The link is also on the NHELC website on the Get Involved menu. If you prefer, you may also sign up by contacting the church at (610) 326-1335. The suggested donation for the flowers and the *Word in Season* will be increasing to \$40. The bulletins and communion will remain the same at \$20. Thank you for your support!

**Looking for volunteers** to help during the church service: Ushers, Lectors, Children's Sermons, and Acolytes. Please contact Faye Weidner if you are interested in serving at [omiweidner@gmail.com](mailto:omiweidner@gmail.com) or 484-929-5958.

**A Capital Funds Campaign** is underway. Help NHELC raise \$247,500 for the HVAC and AVEL systems. Specially marked envelopes are available on the desk in the welcome center for your contribution. For more information, contact the church office at (610) 326-1335.

## **Food Ministry**

**Loaves and Fishes will be hosting a dinner** on Wednesday, January 18 starting at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall. Bring a dessert to share.

**More than 100,000 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 donations in the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at <https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/>.

## Spiritual Renewal

**The *Word in Season* daily devotion books** January - March are available in the welcome center and information box located outside by the Sunday school doors. The books are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor

Do you know someone who could use a **prayer shawl** to help bring comfort, healing and good thoughts? If so contact Pastor Scott and they'll see that one is made available. And...**please prayerfully consider**: the requests for our prayer shawls keep coming in. To make sure we will always have a shawl available when needed we could use some additional knitters to help with this important ministry. Please contact Pastor Scott if interested in doing this. Supplies and instructions are available in the library located off of Fellowship Hall, in a bookcase close to the door.

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELCC Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. All information remains confidential. To request a prayer, contact Pastor Scott at [psstaub@gmail.com](mailto:psstaub@gmail.com) or call the church office (610-326-1335) to leave him a voice mail. Your prayers will be delivered! Also, you can contact Pastor Scott to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain.

**Prayer Warriors Wanted** You are invited to join the warriors on Monday at 1:15 PM in the sanctuary. Participants join in a brief devotion and then pray together. They give thanks and then lift up in prayers neighbors both near and far. See Donna Kehs or Marsha Staub if you have any questions.

A **Seniors Suggestion Box** is now available on the desk in the Welcome Center. NHELCS Seniors (folks in their 60's on up) are invited to use the slips provided and write down any ideas, concerns, needs they may have for our Senior's Ministry. Can be anything ranging from speakers/topics, fun events, faith formation needs, etc. We want to hear from you!

## Thank you

*Dear Pastor Scott,*

*I would like to thank you for the food donation! It is really appreciated and a big help to us. When we leave rehab, a lot of us aren't financially sound and need help from others. Again thank you so much for the donations.*

*Shawn Baskin*

## Remember in your prayers

### Requests

Trevor Martin, Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Jean Renninger, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Jeffrey Kunsch, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Robert Ganovsky, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, Frank D., Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Andy Van Dyke, Janet, Feryl Stein, Laurie Scoggins, Pam Abbott, Holli Muffler, Louise Karns, Mary Van Dyke, Pr. Jennifer Phelps, Jessica Trout, Denny Smith, Verdi Smith, Mabel Gaugler, Andy VanDyke, Pat Freed, Sandy Wesner, Alice Nester

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

### Long-term

Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Tina Farrell, Carol Buchholtz Yost

### Shut-in

Penny Frymoyer

### Grieving

Family and friends of Sally Kohl (Stacey Rothermel's mother).

### Military

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

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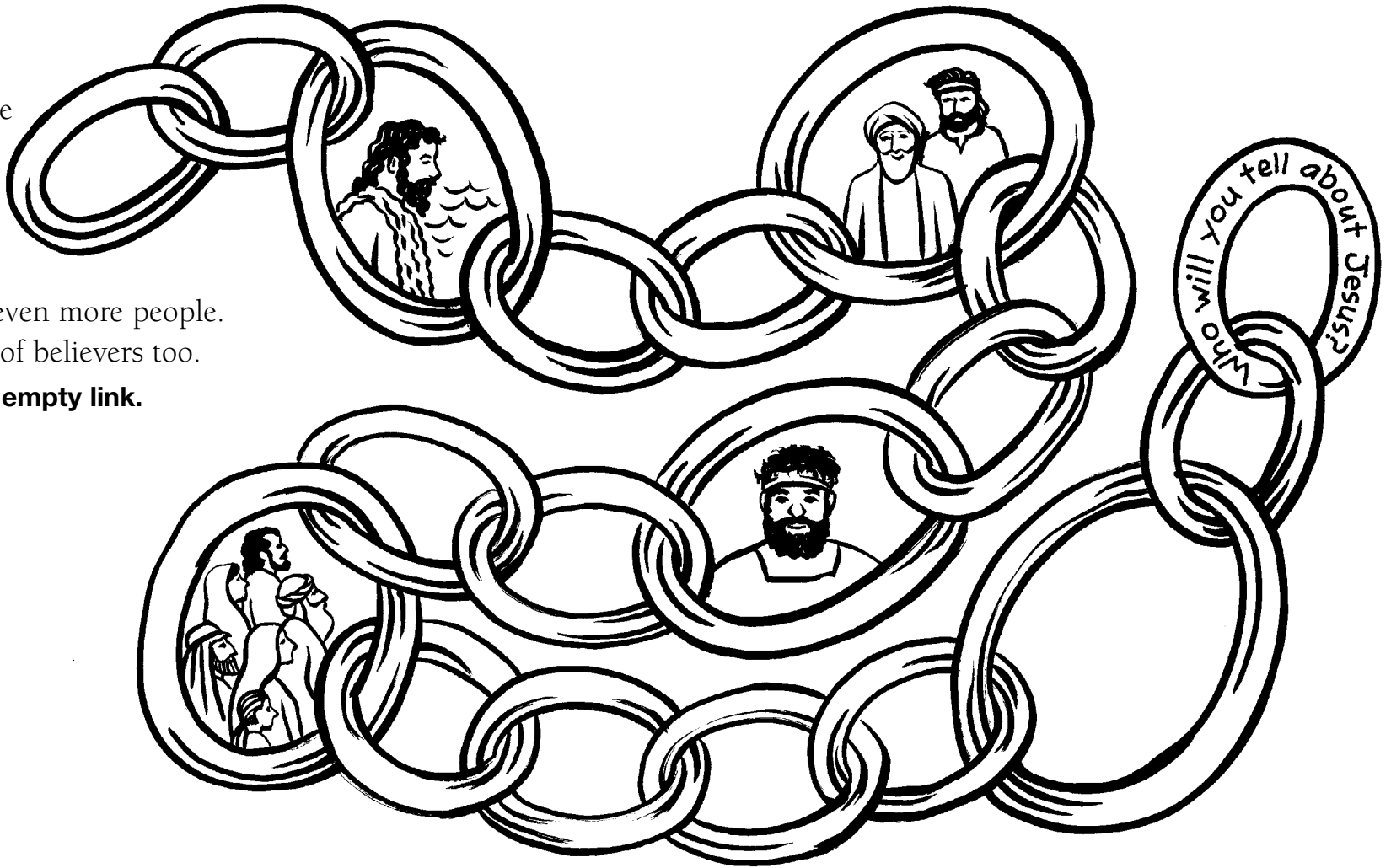


## Spread the news

John 1:29-42

News about Jesus spread from John the baptizer to the disciples, including Andrew and Simon Peter. The disciples spread the news to even more people. We are in the chain of believers too.

**Draw yourself in an empty link.**



*Dear Lord, help us share your message of love and belonging with others. Amen*



Remember those who have told you about Jesus. Pray a prayer of thanks for them.