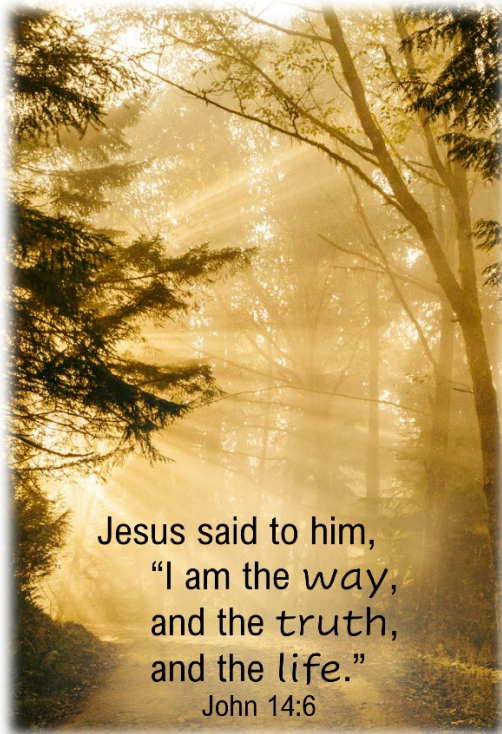


**Welcome to worship at  
New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 7, 2023**



Jesus said to him,  
“I am the *way*,  
and the *truth*,  
and the *life*.”

John 14:6

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today’s gospel includes Jesus’ promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father’s house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus’ mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

**The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor  
Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry  
Violet Mandic, Grace band leader**

**We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!**

**All worship can be viewed online at  
[newhanoverlutheran.org](http://newhanoverlutheran.org)  
[facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch](https://www.facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch)  
and on YouTube.**

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

Prelude

Welcome

*Please rise as you are able.*

Call to Worship

The Lord is Risen!

**The Lord has Risen, indeed. Alleluia!!**

Gathering Hymn *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*  
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Prayer of the Day

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.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

Centering Song *Cornerstone* Grace Band

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame

But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

*Repeat*

*Chorus*

Christ alone cornerstone

Weak made strong in the Saviour's love

Through the storm He is Lord

Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face

I rest on His unchanging grace

In every high and stormy gale

My anchor holds within the veil

My anchor holds within the veil

He is Lord Lord of all

When He shall come with trumpet sound

Oh may I then in Him be found

Dressed in His righteousness alone

Faultless stand before the throne

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Children's Message

Nikki Young

First Reading

Acts 7:55-60

A reading from the book of Acts

<sup>55</sup>Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.

<sup>56</sup>"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" <sup>57</sup>But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup>Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

<sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." <sup>60</sup>Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Here ends the reading.

*Please rise as you are able.*

### 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.

### Gospel John 14:1-14

The holy gospel according to John

### Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going.” <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the

Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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

*Please be seated.*

Message

Pastor Scott

*Please rise as you are able.*

Song of the Day *Lord I Lift Your Name on High*

Grace Band

Lord I lift Your name on high  
Lord I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us

*Chorus*

You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high

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## Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another  
**Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Thanksgiving at the Table

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.**

*Please be seated.*

**Communion**

*Today we celebrate Holy Communion. This is the Lord's Table,  
open to everyone.*

The body of Christ, given for you.

**Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Amen.**

**Communion Prayer**

Let us pray.

God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**Offertory**

**Choir Anthem**

*Sing to the Lord!*

Deborah Governor

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**Announcements**

*Please rise as you are able.*

**Sending Hymn**

*Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing*

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## Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go Get'em!

## Postlude

*Trumpet Tune*

Anthony Giamanco

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## Announcements

**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 the church office at 610-326-1335 for available dates and to sign up or go online at [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-worship#](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-worship#/)/.

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

**A Capital Funds Campaign** is underway. Help NHELIC 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.

**Articles for the June newsletter** are due Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at [susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org](mailto:susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org) or 610-326-1335 with your articles.

## Today

**The bulletin** is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of



their parents, Charlie and Marguerite Reichart and Jim and Grace Davidheiser by Diane and Jim Davidheiser.

**The communion** is sponsored to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, sister, brother, nephew and in-laws by Nancy Wolfe.

**Serving Today** Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Georgann Geiser and Rick Solazzo; Lector: Donna Kehs; Children's Sermon: Nikki Young; Acolyte: Danielle Bechtel

**Serving Next Sunday** Head Usher: Ed Becker; Ushers: Jordan Becker and Marty Hauser; Lector: London Meeker; Children's Sermon: Nicole Ewing; Acolyte: Ainsley Lucas

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

**Today is the deadline to order geraniums** to decorate the sanctuary on Pentecost Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are available from the ushers and also located on the desk in the Welcome Center. Return the completed form along with your donation in the church offering basket. Your geranium may be picked up following the 9:00 AM service on Pentecost. And, don't forget to wear something red on Pentecost Sunday.

## 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 AM, room 24

**Gathering of Daughters** – Today, 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM, rooms 1,

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

**Campaign Cabinet** – Monday, 6:00 PM, welcome center

**Cub Scouts** – Monday 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 21-31, 33, 37

**AARP Board** – Tuesday, 10:00 AM, room 30

**Chosen 300** – Tuesday, 5:30 PM, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Pottstown

**Boy Scouts** – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, picnic grove

**Finance** – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, offsite

**Women’s Breakfast** – Wednesday, 8:30 AM, Shorty’s Sunflower Café

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

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

**Loaves and Fishes Dinner** – Wednesday, 6:00 PM, room 1

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

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

**Food Ministry Board** – Wednesday, 6:30 – 9:00 PM, room 33

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

**Thursdays at Ten** – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 33

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

**Worship and Music** – Thursday, 7:00 PM, room 30

**District Scout Committee** – Thursday, 7:00 – 8:30 PM, room 33

**Summer Garden Planting** – Friday, 9:00 AM – noon, garden

**Funeral and Reception** – Friday, welcome center, sanctuary, fellowship hall and kitchen

**Men’s Breakfast** – Saturday, 8:00 AM, Brookside Family Restaurant

**Flutter Miniature Golf** – Saturday, 5:30 PM, offsite

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

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

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

**J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)** – Next Sunday, 10:05 AM, room 24

## Upcoming Events

**Chosen 300** Help feed the homeless this **Tuesday**, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Pottstown. Servers, greeters and singers are needed to help with this service. If you’d like to help, just show up on Tuesday.

**Women’s Breakfast is this Wednesday, 8:30** at Shorty’s Sunflower Café on North Charlotte Street in Pottstown. Reservations are needed. To reserve your seat, contact Sandy Wesner at 215-679-9021 or email [slwesner@comcast.net](mailto:slwesner@comcast.net) by Tuesday noon. And don’t forget, husbands are invited too.

**Men's Breakfast is this Saturday, 8:00** at Brookside Family Restaurant. Come out for good food and friendly conversation. No registration is required. Any questions, contact Ron Fegley at 484-415-0386.

**Flutter is going mini golfing** on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the church at 5:30 to carpool there. See Jen Boyer or Lindsey Waltermyer with any questions.

**Winner, Winner, Chicken Dinner!** Come out to the picnic grove on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, for a delicious chicken dinner. The meal includes grilled church chicken, homemade potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw and dessert. The cost is \$12 per meal.

Meals will be served from 4:00-7:00 PM at the grove. You can enjoy your meal at the grove or drive through to take your meal home. If you are eating at the grove, park in the grassy parking area. There will be signs. If you are eating at the grove we will have ice water, lemonade and iced tea.

You **MUST** make a reservation for your meal(s) by noon on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. You can reserve your meal(s) online at <http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org>, fill out an order slip at church, or call the church office at 610-326-1335.

**Meet me at Green Lane Park, Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>,** Come on out for an evening of music and fellowship. Feel free to bring some snacks, appetizers, or dessert to share and pack a sandwich if you want. We will have a table set up around 5:30. We can sit together and enjoy the Quakertown Band which will begin their performance at 6 PM. Concerts are held at the Green Lane Park Amphitheater, located at 2298 Green Lane Road, Green Lane, PA 18054. Concerts are weather permitting. If you are able, let Nikki Young know you are coming OR sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-meet1>.

**Attention all youth finishing grades 5-12!** It's time to register for Camp Falckner. Camp Falckner is an overnight camp held in the church's picnic grove. Camp will be held July 25-28. See Lindsey Waltermyer for a registration form or visit the church website. Questions about camp? Don't hesitate to ask!

**Meet me at the Reading Phillies** Come out to a Reading Phillies vs. the Richmond Flying Squirrels game on **Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6:45 PM**. This is a mega blast fireworks night!

Yes, this is pretty far in advance, but we need to be sure we can secure enough tickets. Nikki is waiting for the exact price of the tickets, but for now, she needs to determine the number of people who will be going. Tickets should be \$11 - \$15. Reserved parking is available for an additional \$5 – 7. Final pricing will be available soon. RSVP to Nikki Young or sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-meet3>.

**“Honky Tonk Angels” at the Totem Pole Playhouse on Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>** Join the New Hanover Area AARP for a family style lunch at Hickory Bridge Farms followed by the play about three gutsy gals following their dreams to Nashville. Featuring over 30 classic country tunes that will surely get your feet stomping. The bus leaves NHELCC parking lot at 8:15 AM. Cost is \$129. Contact Carol Griffiths (484-624-8314) for more information and to sign up.

**Giving for the Future with our Future Celebration** Join us **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**, as we celebrate and recognize our new members comprised of our Confirmants of 2023, newly Baptized and adults received. In addition, we will celebrate God’s blessings for the capital campaign. Richie Musser, Kirby Smith Assoc., will give updates on our initiatives. Join us as we celebrate those who have given and those who will be giving NHELCC our future. The food reception and recognitions will follow the worship in the fellowship hall. Trinity Sunday Worship will start at 9 AM in the sanctuary.

**The book club** will meet Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM at the Grind restaurant. They are reading *Night Road* by Kristin Hannah. All are welcome!

**The Psychology of Christian Nationalism: How to Talk across the Divide - Sundays at 10:15 AM in room 33.**

**Garden of Hope – Save the Dates**  
**Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 – noon** Summer Planting

**Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 – 7:30 PM Composting Clinic (AND root beer floats!)**

**Boyertown Area Choral Arts** will hold a spring concert this afternoon, 3:00 PM at the Good Shepherd UCC, 35 West Philadelphia Avenue in Boyertown. A free-will offering will be received.

**The NHELIC Property Committee will be entering into a new lease agreement for copier services** in early May 2023. The new lease agreement has changes which need to be communicated to all committees, boards, and chartered members. NHELIC will be reducing the number of copiers from two to one. Reasons for this reduction include:

- Current second copier (Volunteer Office) print totals are less than 10% of the overall print volume;
- Reducing to one copier is a significant cost savings to NHELIC (~\$7300 in lease, electric, and paper costs over the five-year lease term)
- Encouraging less use of printed materials is better for the environment.

Starting in early May, all committees, boards, and chartered members requiring printing or copying services may come to the church office and print/copy during normal business hours (9 AM to 2 PM, M-F). Also, you may email your document(s) to the Office Manager ([susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org](mailto:susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org)) by 12 (noon) on normal business days to have them printed and delivered to a church location where indicated. Documents need to be provided in “print-ready” format - PDF or MS Word. The church office is typically locked outside of normal business hours.  
Property Committee

## **You Can Help**

**Meet me at...**Last year during the summer months NHELIC hosted a series of events called “Meet me at....” We worked in the Garden, played at the picnic grove and went to a Reading Phillies game. Nikki Young is working on some fun events for this year. If you have any ideas or things you’d like to help plan, contact

Nikki Young at [nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org](mailto:nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org) or 610-326-1335.

**Kids Camp 2023 is going to be out of this WORLD** It's time to sign up for Kids Camp (formerly VBS). Kids who are in Pre-school (potty trained) through those completing 4<sup>th</sup> grade (in the 2022-23 school year) are welcome to join us for Kids Camp. All kids who have completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to attend as youth helpers/junior counselors. We can use the help! You can register at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/22f9ff> or there will be paper forms in the Welcome Center. We also need helpers! Helpers can sign up on the same page or speak with Nikki. We are so excited to build on last year's momentum and need some volunteers to truly make this camp blast off!

**Volunteer to be a JAM leader** Beginning in September, the elementary JAM class will be split into two classes following the opening. Therefore, more leaders are needed. Many hands make light work. If we have four volunteers for lower and four volunteers for upper elementary, then each leader can teach one week a month. Ideally, this will be established before summer break. Contact Nikki Young if you are able to help!

**Are you crafty?** Everyone can help out with our VBS decorations this year. Check the Welcome Center for planets, stars, rockets etc. If you would like a family project you can build a command center that can largely be made with some cardboard and recyclable materials. Want to make a rocket or a planet – we'll take it. We are limited only by your imagination. Contact Nikki Young if you would like to help!

**Kids can serve as Junior Ushers** The children will report at 8:30 and they will assist ushers with things such as opening the door and greeting people, handing out bulletins, helping to hand out other papers or communion elements. They can help out and then at 9:00 head in to church as normal. Simply sign up so we do not have an abundance of helpers. When they come at 8:30, the ushers will let them know how they can help! Contact Nikki Young with any questions. Sign up at [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-junior#/.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-junior#/)

**Volunteers are needed** to help during the church service: Ushers, Lectors, Children’s Sermons, and Acolytes. Contact Faye Weidner at [omiweidner@gmail.com](mailto:omiweidner@gmail.com) or 484-929-5958 if you can help.

**NEEDED:** Gently used children’s books for ages Newborn to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade. “Mother Goose: Read to Me”, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting very early literacy with infants and their parents. Experienced volunteers distribute free, age-appropriate books to infants, birth to 18 months, and demonstrate to parents effective ways of talking and reading to babies to help build vocabulary skills. The gently used books are given to the older siblings of the newborn children. Unfortunately, we cannot distribute religious related books. Thank you for your help! Drop off your donations in the box in the Welcome Center. Any questions, contact Marcia Tonkin, “Mother Goose: Read to Me” volunteer: [tonkin.3028@comcast.net](mailto:tonkin.3028@comcast.net) or 610-220-6018.

**Donate non-perishable items for local organizations** Now through June, we are collecting nonperishable food items for the Pottstown Cluster. These items can be placed in the collection boxes in the welcome center and fellowship hall. Thank you for your support.

## **Food Ministry**

**More than 160,000 meals have been delivered!** NHELHC’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/>.

**We love this quote...**“*There is no food...just ingredients to make food.*” Well, because of the New Hanover church we have not had to experience that. The meals you have provided have been a huge

help. At times like this it is nice not to have to think 🤔 about what are we having for dinner or take the energy to prepare it. Thank you so much for the food. It is definitely food for the soul too. Russ and Lenore Gates

## **Spiritual Renewal**

**The *Word in Season* daily devotion books** April - June are available in the welcome center and information box located outside by the Sunday school doors.

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELC 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!

**Prayer Warriors Wanted** You are invited to join the warriors on Mondays 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.



## Prayer Requests

Long-term: Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Tina Farrell, Carol Buchholtz Yost

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: Family and friends of John O.

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

Victims of the earthquake in Turkey, Syria, and surrounding countries

Peace for violence in our area and nationally

Toni Rath	Katy Mahon-Miller	Matt Hall
Luann Hanley	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	Wilma Lahr
Jim Price	Melissa	Bernadette Phillips
Mary Lou	Doug Weaver	Joan Wagner
Robert Ganovsky	Dorothy Bingaman	Emily Ocelus
Eric & Wendy Hess	Sue Care	Deb Matthews
Marceline	Anne Eshleman	Daniel Johnson
Chris Fatzinger	Hank Droneberg	Pena family
Kim Frain	Jen Perez	Frank D.
Pam Helfrich	Barb & Tom Faust	Andy Van Dyke
Janet	Pam Abbott	Holli Muffler
Louise Karns	Mary Van Dyke	Pr. Jennifer Phelps
Jessica Trout	Denny Smith	Verdi Smith
Mabel Gaugler	Pat Freed	Sandy Wesner
Helen Foulke	Paige Longstreth	Carla Hausmann
Joan Price	Rodney Snell	Ruth Clemmer
Betty Seroski	Ralph Borneman	Randy Dotterer
Lucille Powell	Virginia Specht	Bill Lowry

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## NHELC Capital Campaign Update

Our Capital Campaign will be kicking off this spring! A church capital campaign is a spiritual endeavor which will result in increased giving toward the church vision. Any funds raised are above regular giving and offerings within a set period of time, in NHELC's case, three years. Our campaign will focus on several important projects that will ensure the safety, security and longevity of our historic church. Depending on the funds raised, these projects include the HVAC, audio visual, electrical, lighting, sanctuary flooring, sanctuary exterior work, roof replacement, and organ repairs and enlargement.

**We are very excited to announce that an anonymous donor gave \$20,000 towards our completed HVAC project (21% of the outstanding cost) and an additional \$20,000 towards our audio visual, electrical, and lighting project (25% of the anticipated cost).** We are so blessed to have received this gift and hope that it encourages others to participate in the campaign as well as we seek to maintain and update our church home.

Total Contributions so far:

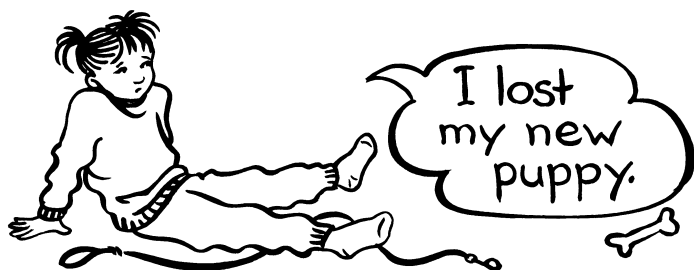
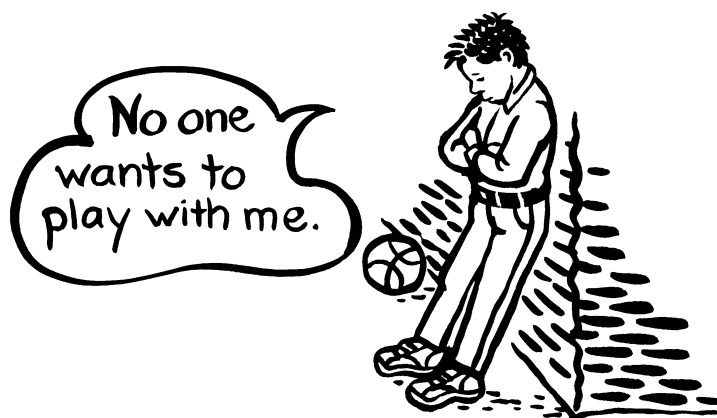


Detailed information on the proposed projects will be mailed to each household in May! Hold Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, in your calendars as we will be holding an informational campaign reception after service. Hope to see you there!

# Send

## Hard times

God is with you even in the hard times. Stephen knew God was with him. How would you help this boy and this girl in their hard times? How would you pray for them?



*We pray for people facing hard or sad times. Be with them. Be with us as we pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.*

## This week

Find small stones. Wrap a bright colored piece of fabric around small stones and tie it with a ribbon to make prayer rocks. Keep one for yourself and give one to someone going through a hard time.

# Kids Celebrate

Fifth Sunday of Easter

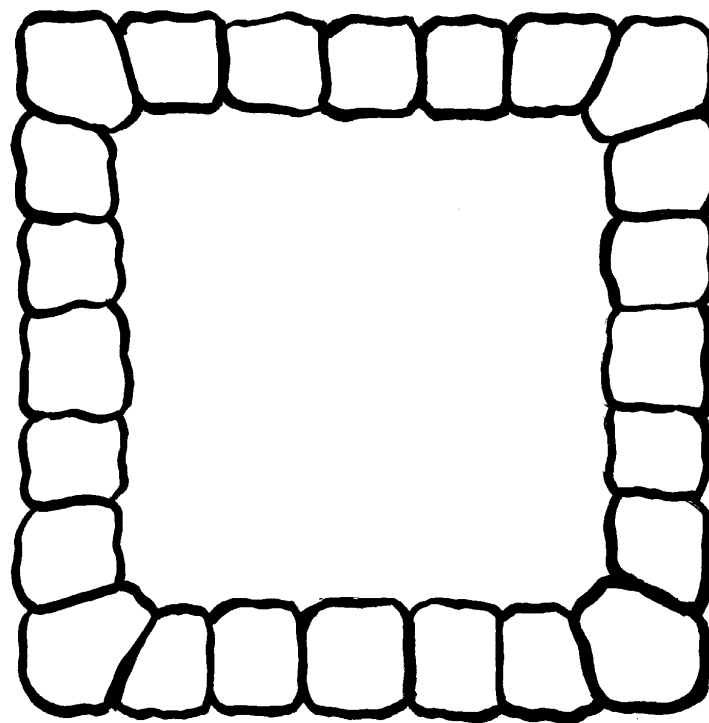


## gather

Welcome to worship.

Today is the fifth Sunday of Easter.

**Draw a picture of a house made from stones, making a special stone, or cornerstone, at one of the lower corners.**



What would happen if someone took out the cornerstone? The shaky house would fall down! Jesus is the cornerstone of our lives. Without him our lives are shaky, too.

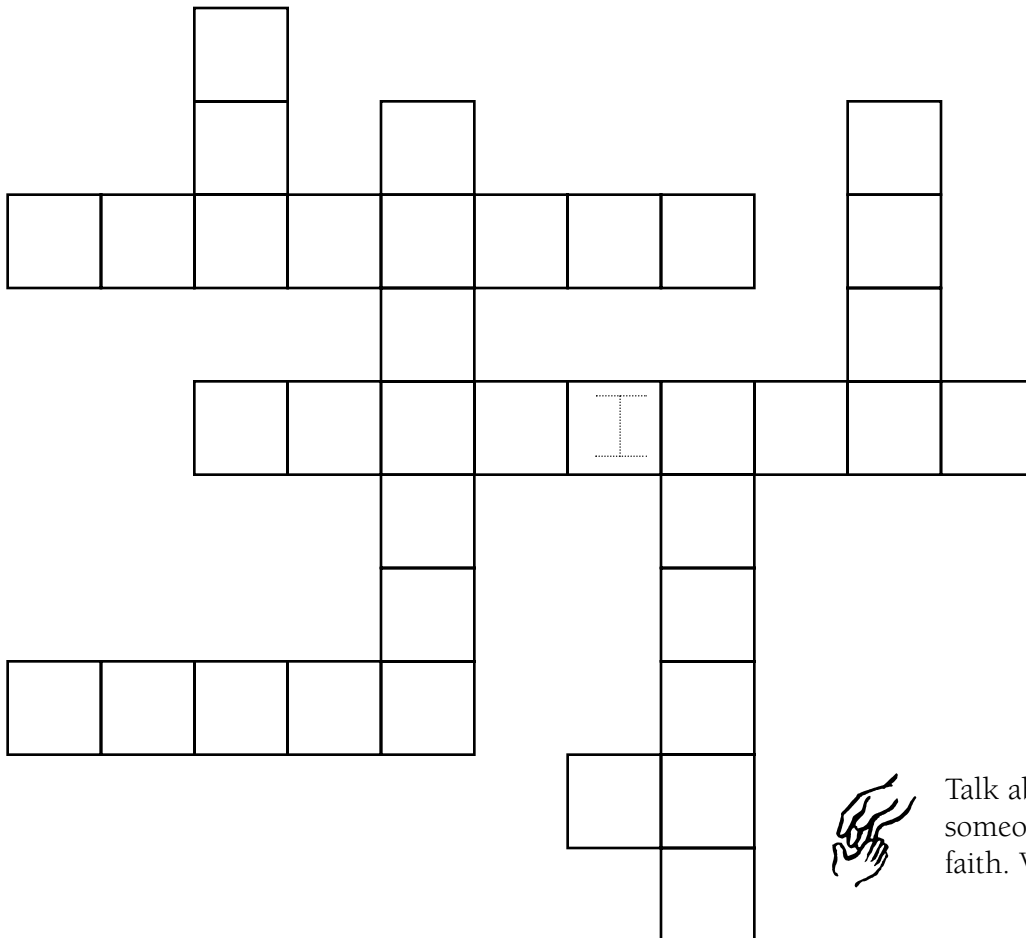
## I am

John 14:1-14

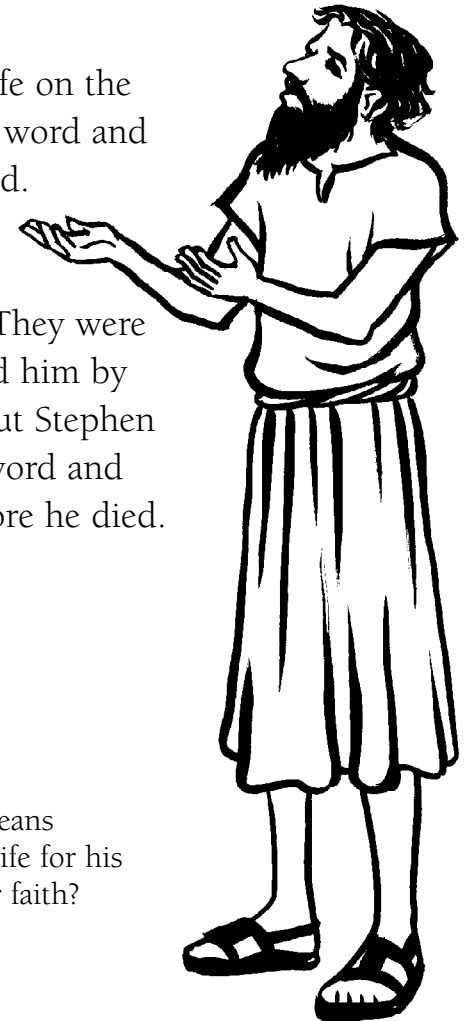
Jesus taught his disciples how to believe in him: “Don’t be troubled or worried. Believe in God, the **Father**, and in **me**. **I** am the **way**, and the **truth**, and the **life**. No one comes to the Father except **through** me.”

Jesus reminded them to keep praying to God: “I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be **glorified** in the Son. If in my name you ask me for **anything**, I will do it.”

**Our lives begin with Jesus at the center of all we do. Trace the letter “I” in the center box of the puzzle. Fit the underlined words above into the crossword puzzle below.**

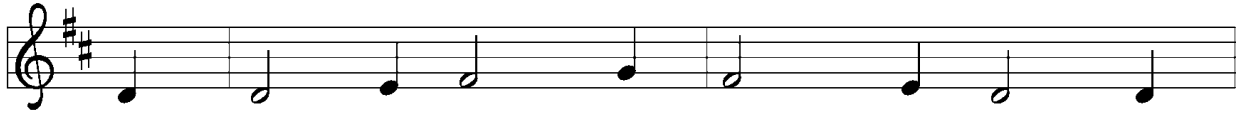


Stephen built his life on the solid rock of God’s word and preached about God. There were people who did not want Stephen to speak. They were so angry they killed him by throwing stones. But Stephen believed in God’s word and prayed to God before he died.



Talk about the word *martyr*, which means someone like Stephen who gives his life for his faith. What do you “give up” for your faith?

## That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the  
2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with  
3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in  
4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing  
con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will  
this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our  
you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther



eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!  
ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise.  
strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield.  
e - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

*“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright” Text: Latin hymn, 5<sup>th</sup> cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt. Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621. Text and music are in public domain.*

# Cornerstone

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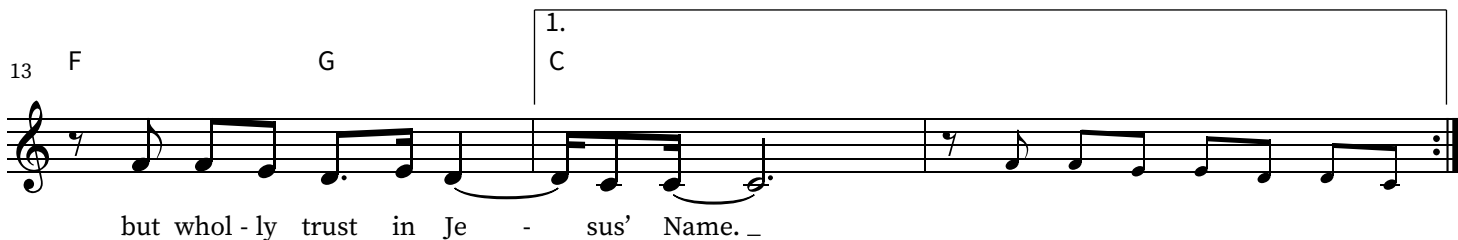
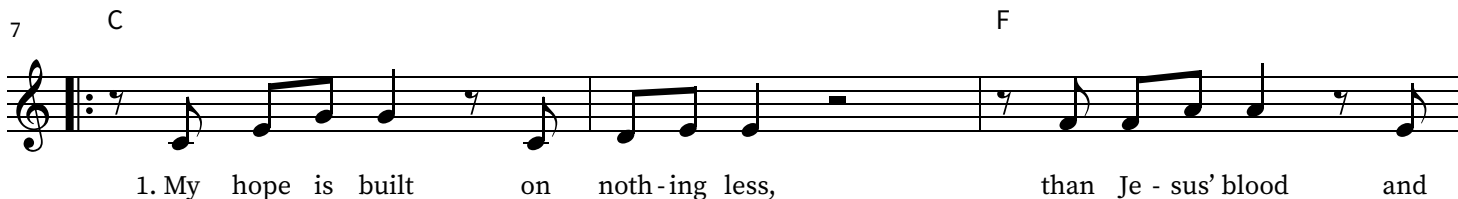
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$\text{♩} = 71$  INTRO  
C

Am



VERSE 1



**CHORUS**

16 C C<sup>sus</sup> C F Am G C/E

- sus' Name. Christ a - lone. Corn - er - stone. Weak made

20 F Am G C F Am G

strong in the Sav - iour's love. Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of

**VERSE 2 & 3**

24 C C

all. 2. When dark-ness seems to hide His face,  
3. When He shall come with trump-et sound,

28 F G Am

I rest on His un - chang-ing grace. In ev - 'ry high and  
oh may I then in Him be found. Dressed in His right - eous -

2nd time to Coda

31 Am/G F G C F G

storm-y gale, my an - chor holds with-in the veil. My an-chor holds with-in -  
-ness a-lone. Fault-less stand be-fore

**CHORUS**

35 C F Am G C/E

the veil. Christ a - lone. Corn - er - stone. Weak made



39 F Am G C F Am 1.  
G

strong in the Sav - iour's love. Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of

**INTERLUDE**

43 C Am F

all. He is Lord. Lord of all.

48 G C/E 2.  
G C 3.  
G

Christ a - Lord. Lord of all. Christ a - Lord. Lord of

53 C D.S. al Coda

all.

**Coda**

57 C

the throne.

# Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Words and Music by  
Rick Founds

♩=86

VERSE

G C/G D/G C/G G C/G

Lord, I lift Your name \_ on high; Lord, I love to sing \_ Your

4 D/G C/G G C/G D/G C/G G C/G

prais - es. \_ I'm so glad You're in \_ my life; I'm so glad You came \_ to

CHORUS

8 D D<sup>sus</sup> D C G C D C/D

save \_ us. \_ You came from heav - en to earth \_ to show the way, .

11 G C D C G C

\_ from the earth \_ to the cross \_ my debt to pay; \_ From the cross \_ to the grave, .

14 D Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> D G

\_ from the grave \_ to the sky; \_ Lord, I lift Your name \_ on high.

## Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

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