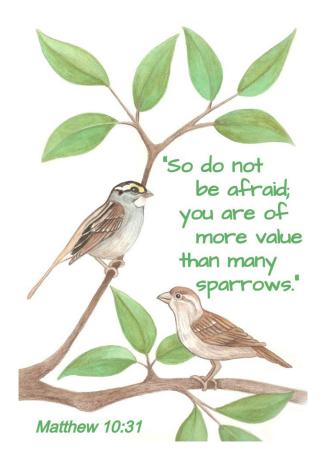
Welcome to worship at New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 25, 2023



God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may bring stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each day. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world.

The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!
All worship can be viewed online at
newhanoverlutheran.org
facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch
and on YouTube.
May your worship experience strengthen you
with God's love and grace.

Hymn Sing

Welcome

Please rise as you are able.

Gathering Hymn How Firm a Foundation

ELW #796

Call to Worship

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

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.

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Centering Song Soon and Very Soon WOV #744
Nicole Ewing, Josh Young and Patricia Nyce

Please be seated. Children's Message

Donna Kehs

First Reading Jeremiah 20:7-13

A reading from the book of Jeremiah

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed:

you have overpowered me,

and you have prevailed.

I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me.

⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out,

I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"

For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

⁹If I say, "I will not mention him,

or speak any more in his name,"

then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones;

I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around!

Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"

All my close friends are watching for me to stumble.

"Perhaps he can be enticed,

and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him."

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble,

and they will not prevail.

They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten.

¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind;

let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

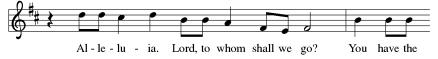
¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy

from the hands of evildoers.

Here ends the reading.

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation





Gospel Matthew 10:24-39
The holy gospel according to Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known.

²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.

²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.

³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted.

³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son

or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find 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 We Want to See Jesus Lifted High

Nicole Ewing, Josh Young and Patricia Nyce

We want to see Jesus lifted high A banner that flies across this land That all men might see the truth and know He is the way to heaven

We want to see we want to see We want to see Jesus lifted high We want to see we want to see We want to see Jesus lifted high

Step by step we're moving forward Little by little taking ground Ev'ry prayer a powerful weapon Strongholds come tumbling down And down and down

We're gonna see we're gonna see We're gonna see Jesus lifted high We're gonna see we're gonna see We're gonna see Jesus 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 God, 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.

*Please be seated.*Offertory

Special Music

I Will Rise

Leslie and Emily Gates, soloists

"I Will Rise" Words and music by Jesse Reeves, Matt Maher, Chris Tomlin and Louise Giglio.
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Announcements

Please rise as you able.

Sending Hymn O Jesus, I Have Promised

ELW #810

Dismissal
Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
Go get'em!!!

Postlude

Paen of Victory

Edward H. Wetherill

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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#/.

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 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.

The new video system is fully installed! Amy is learning the new system and is still using the existing system until mid-July. Watch for upcoming training days for those interested. Over the summer, Amy needs coverage on the following dates: July 2nd (current system), August 13th (new system) and August 20th (new system). Contact Amy at amy@amymarazas.com if you are able to cover for her or if you have any questions!

Today

The bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of his parents, W. F. Lamb, Sr. and Helen Lamb, by Bob Lamb.

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of Harry and Nance White, who are celebrating 59 years of marriage.

The Word in Season devotion booklet is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their church family by Faye and Steve Weidner.

Serving Today Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Nancy White and Jim Dugan; Lector: Brenda Hunsberger; Children's

Sermon: Donna Kehs; Acolyte: Danielle Bechtel

Serving Next Sunday Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Ushers: Faye Weidner and Elfriede Ilik; Lector: Leslie Gates; Children's

Sermon: Hayley Quigley; Acolyte: Miller Quigley

Altar Guild Serving this Month Lynn Fegley, Vicki Dotterer, Becky Gallagher and Sharon Wise

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

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary **Mission Service** – Monday, 7:00 PM, room 33

Meet Me at the Garden – Tuesday, 6:00 PM Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 PM, picnic grove

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen **Food Delivery Pickup** –Wednesday, 1:45 PM, portico **Addiction 12 Step** – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32 **Troop 367 Committee** – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, room 33

Yoga -6:30 - 7:30 PM, meadow

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

Meet Me at the Garden will be held this Tuesday, June 27th, 6:00 PM. Come out to NHELC's Garden of Hope for dinner followed by light gardening.

Upcoming Events

Were you too old for Kids' Camp? Camp Falckner is right around the corner! Join us for an overnight camp experience in the church's picnic grove July 25-28. All youth who finished grades 5-12 are eligible to attend. The theme this year is "The Jesus Way" and campers will be learning how to be a follower of Christ in the 21st century. The week is full of service opportunities and lots of fun. Registration forms can be found on the church website or on the desk in the Welcome Center. Reach out to Lindsey Waltermyer (610) 772-1915 with any questions.

2023 Graduate Recognition If you are a 2023 Graduate we want to recognize you in an upcoming newsletter or on our Facebook page. Contact Nikki Young (nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org) and let us know where you are graduating from what your degree is in and any future

you are graduating from, what your degree is in and any future plans. Please provide a picture as well. Congratulations to all of our graduates.

All of Creation yoga and meditation class will be held in the meadow next to the church parking area and is dependent on weather. Classes are Thursday, 6/29, 6:30-7:30 PM and Saturday, 7/1, 8:45-9:45 AM. These beginners/all levels classes

will introduce breathing and mindfulness exercises that focus on the beauty of God's creation all around us. Gentle stretching and movement are used to enhance relaxation and help ease you into your day or night. No prior yoga experience needed. Anyone age 13 years and up can join (13–17-year-olds should be accompanied by an adult). Classes are free-will donation-based. Pay in cash or by check (checks payable to NHELC, note Peer Support or Food Ministry). Sign up at

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-allofcreation, or on the paper signup in the welcome center. Contact Leslie Gates with any questions.

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

The Spirit of America Concert featuring the Boyertown Alumni Marching Unit (BAMU) will be held at SoulJoel's in the Sunnybrook Ballroom on Saturday, July 1st, 2:00 PM. Tickets are on sale for \$20 at Bachman Music, Aunt Nannie's Bakeshop and at BAMU concerts.

River Queen Sightseeing Cruise on Thursday, July 20th Step aboard the River Queen on a cruise of the beautiful waters and picturesque homes of the Manasquan River. Lunch at The Shrimp Box restaurant is included. The cost is \$125.00. The bus leaves NHELC's parking lot at 9:15 AM. For more information and to reserve your seat, contact Carol Griffith of the New Hanover Area AARP at 484-363-7376.

Tea and Bible Study on Wednesday, July 19th, 11:00 – noon at St. James Lutheran Church Bring your favorite teacup and saucer and discover how an everyday object can remind us of God's consistent and constant ongoing work in our lives. RSVP by July

12th at <u>secretary@stjamespottstown.org</u> or <u>dprenn@gmail.com</u>. St. James is located at 1101 East High Street in Pottstown.

You Can Help

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

NEEDED: Gently used children's books for ages Newborn to 3rd 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 at tonkin.3028@comcast.net or 610-220-6018.

Donate non-perishable items for local organizations This month, NHELC is 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! 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/.

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 and July – September 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 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.

Thank You

Thank you to Wendy's Flowers for donating the flowers planted across the front of the Fellowship Hall. And, thank you to Carl, Barbara, Brian and Steven Eisenhart for weeding, trimming, planting and mulching the flowerbeds to offer a welcome to all who gather at church.

Prayer Requests

Long-term: Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Tina

Farrell, Carol Buchholtz Yost

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

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 Betty Lou Shadle Pr. Kork Moyer Julia Hauck Tony Mancini Raul Castro Jeffrey Kunsch Amy LeVan Wilma Lahr Bernadette Phillips Jim Price Melissa 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 Rodney Snell Joan Price Ruth Clemmer Betty Seroski Ralph Borneman Randy Dotterer Lucille Powell Virginia Specht Bill Lowry Dee Masleh Tom Fleagle Mary Alice Mack

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Jend

Signs of God's love

God shows love in many ways.

Find signs of God's love hidden in this picture. Find and circle a church, an apple, a pair of pants, a person, and a house.





Talk about how the things you found could be used to share God's love with others.



God, help me remember that you treasure me. Amen

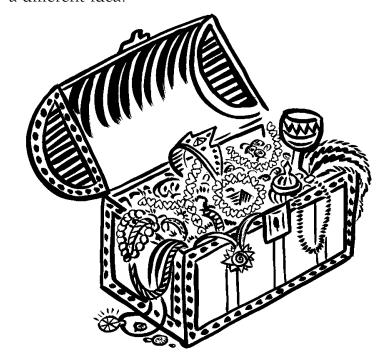
This week

Show people you love that you treasure them.



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Welcome to worship. What is a treasure? It is something very important and valuable. Some people think money is the best treasure, but God has a different idea!



Color the tiny hearts to find out what God treasures.

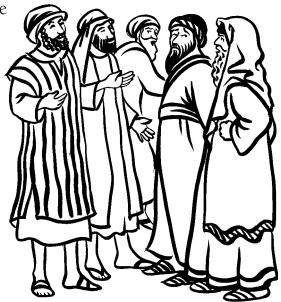
hear & celebrate

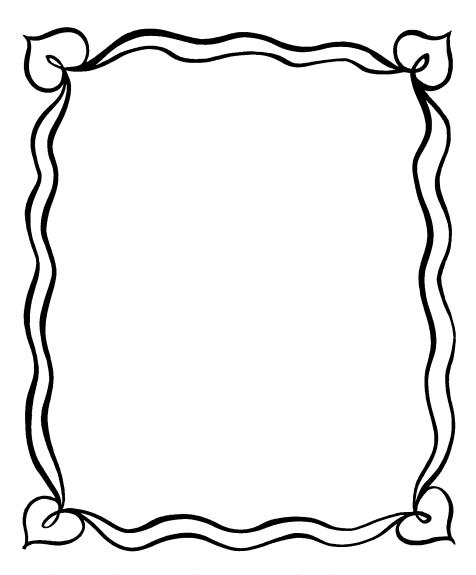
God's treasures

Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus and his disciples traveled and taught about God's love. Some of the people they met were nice to them, but some were not. Jesus told the disciples not to be afraid of people who weren't nice. He said that God

loved and treasured the disciples, even if other people did not! God loves and treasures us, too. God promised to be with the disciples and with us always.

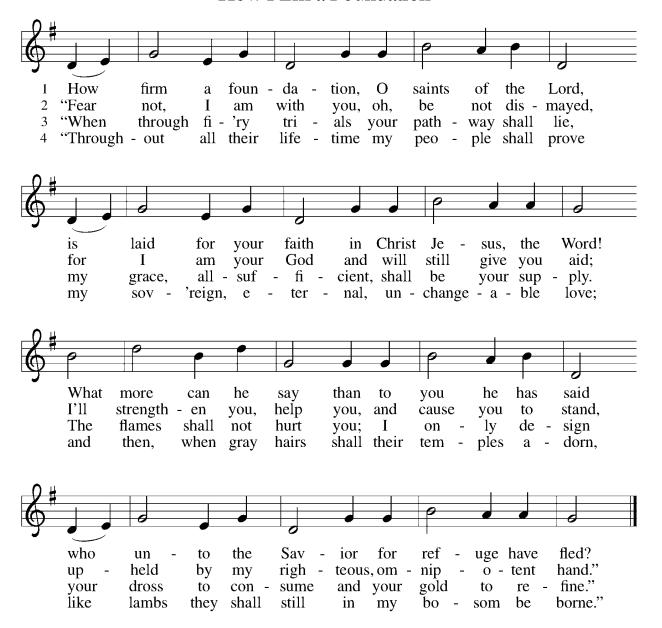




Look around your worship space. What objects, pictures, or symbols do you see that remind you that God loves and treasures you?

Draw them in the picture frame.

How Firm a Foundation



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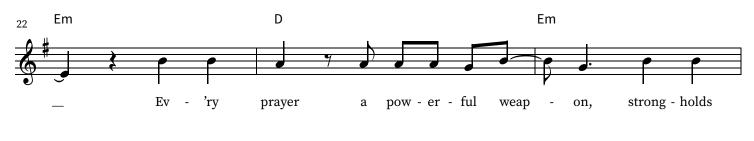


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