Welcome to worship at New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 6, 2023



In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry. The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry Lindsey Waltermyer, Grace band leader 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

Prelude

Welcome

Please rise as you are able. Gathering Hymn *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* ELW #742

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.

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Centering Song Indescribable Nicole Ewing, Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermyer and Josh Young 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

You are amazing God

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

You see the depths of my heart And You love me the same You are amazing God *Repeat*

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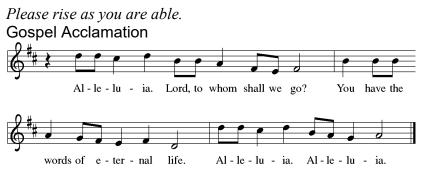
Please be seated. Children's Message

Lindsey Waltermyer

First ReadingRomans 9:1-5A reading from the book of Roman

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Here ends the reading.



Gospel Matthew 14:13-21 The holy gospel according to Matthew Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

Please be seated. Message

Please rise as you are able. Song of the Day Blessed Be Your Name Nicole Ewing, Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermyer and Josh Young Blessed be Your name In the land that is plentiful

Where Your streams of abundance flow Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name When I'm found in the desert place Though I walk through the wilderness Blessed be Your name

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll Turn back to praise When the darkness closes in Lord Still I will say Pastor Scott

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your name Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name When the sun's shining down on me When the world's all as it should be Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name On the road marked with suffering Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be Your name

You give and take away You give and take away My heart will choose to say Lord blessed be Your name

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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 usher will direct you when to come forward. Communion glasses are found on the stand at the front of the line to your right. Take an empty glass if you are choosing to commune with wine or a pre-filled glass (with white grape juice) if you will be communing with grape juice. Receive your bread from the pastor, gluten-free bread from the plate, and the wine, or blessing over the grape juice from the lay assistant. There are two wine stations, so please, choose the open station. Persons not communing may receive a personal blessing (simply keep your hands down at your sides or folded across your heart).

Special MusicGod Is Here!Patricia Nyce, piano

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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

Announcements

Please rise as you able.Sending HymnGod of the Sparrow

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

Postlude

To the Glory of God

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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 <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c 16-worship#/</u>.

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 \$74,000 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.

Today

The bulletin and flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Randy and Vicki Dotterer.

The communion is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by the Swavely families.

Serving Today Head Usher: Marty Hauser; Ushers: Bill Allen and Nancy White; Lector: Nancy White; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermyer; Acolyte: Norm Hunsberger; Communion Assistants: Donna Kehs and Lindsey Waltermyer

Serving Next Sunday Head Usher: Todd Rothermel; Ushers: Ed Becker and London Meeker; Lector: Erica Lucas; Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs; Acolyte: Elsa Lucas Altar Guild Serving this Month Deb Solazzo, Barb Eisenhart and Marsha Staub

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

- Meet Me at the Grove Playtime Monday, 10:00 AM noon, picnic grove
- Prayer Ministry Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary
- **Chosen 300 Ministries** Tuesday, 5:30 PM, Emmanual 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
- Addiction 12 Step Wednesday, 6:00 7:00 PM, room 32
- Food Ministry Board Wednesday, 6:30 9:00 PM, room 33
- District Scout Committee Thursday, 7:00 8:30 PM, room 30
- Men's Breakfast Saturday, 8:30 AM, Brookside Family Restaurant

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

Upcoming Events

Meet Me at the Grove for playtime on Monday, August 7th, from 10:00 AM – noon. Contact Nikki Young at www.nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org for more information.

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 AM 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 by Tuesday noon. And don't forget, husbands are invited too.

Men's Breakfast is this Saturday, 8:00 PM at Brookside Family Restaurant. Come out for good food and friendly conversation. No registration is required. Any questions, contact Ron Fegley at 484-300-3025.

Backpack Blessing The backpack blessing will be observed during the service next Sunday, August 13th. Students and teachers/administrators etc. can bring their backpack, computer bag, or simply themselves for a blessing as we approach the 2023/2024 school year. The blessing will take place as part of worship that day.

Fall Planting at the Garden of Hope will be held on Friday, August 18^{th} , 9:00 AM – noon. Bring your gardening tools and help out with this growing ministry.

Save the date for The Great Swamp Picnic, a 100+ year tradition. This is an annual gathering for NHELC members as well as the community. This year's picnic will be held Saturday, August 26th, from 4:00 - 8:00 PM. Lots of food and fun for all! Hot roast beef sandwiches are back, as well as pulled pork sandwiches, grilled chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, French fries, kettle soups, ice cream and more! Free kids games and music by the Boyertown Area Alumni Band.

We need your help! **Lots of volunteer opportunities** are available leading up to and on the day of the picnic. A schedule of those volunteer opportunities will be available in early August. If you are willing to help, contact Sally Sugita at 610-505-9682. The picnic grove is located on Swamp Picnic Road between Rte. 663 and Lutheran Road. We hope to see you there!

Attic treasures are needed for the Swamp Picnic flea market. Donations can be placed under the pavilion at the picnic grove anytime on Friday, August 25th. Also, the 3rd grade classroom, #31, is set up for treasures which folks need to clear out sooner. Call Vicki at 484-363-0639 with any questions.

Join AARP at the **Magic and Wonder Theatre** in Paradis, PA for a show of grand illusions, hilarious comedy and dynamic circus acts on Thursday, August 24th. The day will begin with free time at Kitchen Kettle Village, followed by a buffet lunch before the show. Cost is \$107.00. The bus leaves NHELC parking lot at 10:45 AM. For more information and to sign up for this event, contact Carol Griffith at 484-363-7376.

For Sale

Do you need a lawn tractor? The Cemetery committee is selling a 2007 John Deere 300R 17 HP tractor with a 42" cut. The tractor logged 640.4 hours. Asking price is \$1,000.00 or best offer. If you're interested or would like more information, contact Norm Hunsberger at 484-431-3622.

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.

NHELC is collecting non-perishable items throughout the months of August and Sontambar. Donations will be distributed

months of August and September. Donations will be distributed through the Pottstown Cluster. A collection box is located in the welcome center for donations. Thank you for your contributions to help those in need.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church is collecting back to school supplies to benefit Pottstown Community Action. Items needed include: #2 pencils, colored pencils, composition books, protractors, rulers, highlighters, folders, white-out tape, markers, notebooks, pens, binders, paper and backpacks. Contact Emmanuel Lutheran Church at 610-323-4312 to drop off your donations. Items will be collected up to August 20th.

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 ② 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** 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.

Prayer Requests

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

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: family and friends of Brian Hansley and Ed Sugita, Brent's father

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

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	Lucille Powell
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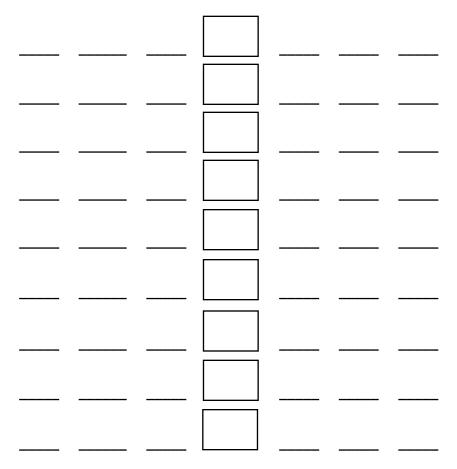
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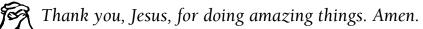


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What's in a name?

Write your name in the boxes. Think of words that describe you that use those letters.







Look for the fish symbol in church.

This week

With someone you love, bake a loaf of bread and take it to someone who is sick or lonely.



gather

Welcome to worship. Jesus is amazing! Did you know that a fish is a symbol for Jesus?

The Greek word for fish is $IX\Theta Y\Sigma$. Each letter of this Greek word is the first letter of another Greek word that tells a name for Jesus. In English these words are:

Jesus Christ God's Son Savior



Jesus did something amazing with two fish! Listen to today's gospel to find out what it is.

hear & celebrate

More than enough!

Matthew 14:13-21 Jesus was healing people in a big crowd of more than 5,000. It got late, and everyone was getting hungry! Jesus told the disciples to give the people food, but the disciples said, "We have only five loaves of bread and two fish! It will never be enough!" Jesus took the five loaves and two fish, said a prayer, and gave the food back to the disciples. The disciples gave food to the hungry people. There was enough for everyone, with baskets left over.



Color the baskets. How many were there?

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



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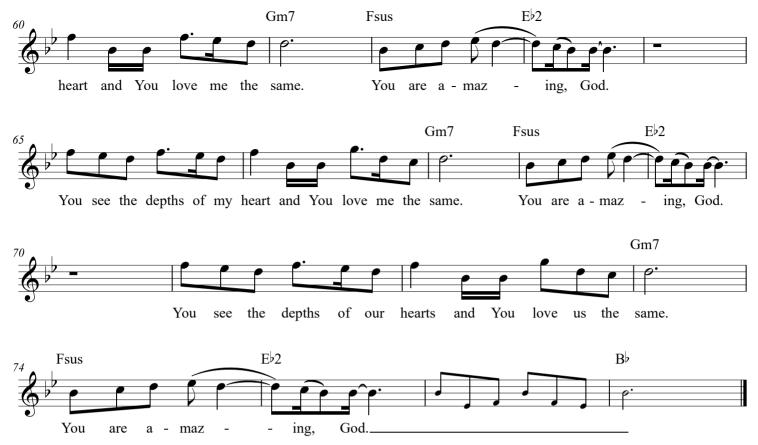
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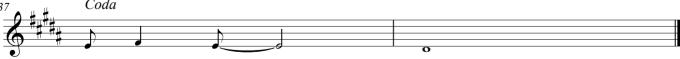
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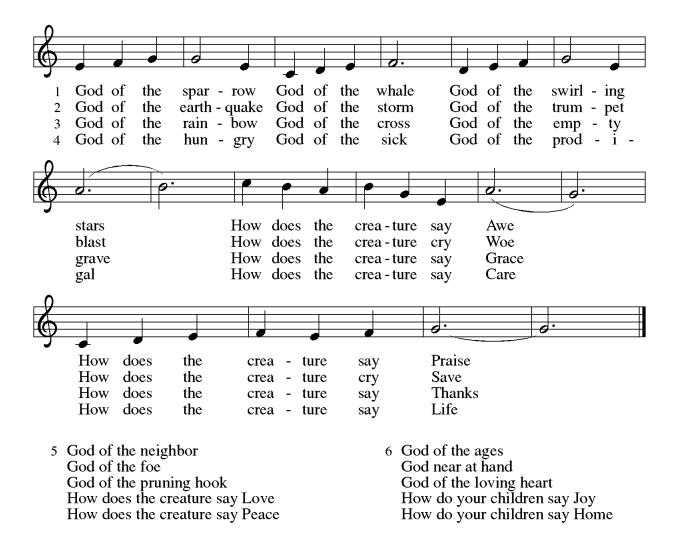


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