

**Welcome to worship at  
New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 3, 2023**



The prophet Jeremiah speaks of the incurable wound of his suffering yet finds in God's words the delight of his heart. When Peter doesn't grasp Jesus' words about suffering, Jesus tells the disciples they will find their lives in losing them. Such sacrificial love is described by Paul when he urges us to associate with the lowly and not repay evil with evil. In worship we gather as a community that we might offer ourselves for the sake of our suffering world.

**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](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.*

Gathering Hymn *Will You Come and Follow Me* ELW #798

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.

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Centering Song *Draw Me Close*

Nicole Ewing, Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermyer, Josh Young

Draw me close to You  
Never let me go  
I lay it all down again  
To hear You say that I'm Your friend  
You are my desire  
No one else will do  
'Cause nothing else could take Your place  
To feel the warmth of Your embrace  
Help me find the way  
Bring me back to You

*Chorus*

You're all I want  
You're all I've ever needed  
You're all I want  
Help me know You are near

*Repeat from beginning*

*Repeat Chorus*

Help me know You are here

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*Please be seated.*

Children's Message

Hayley Quigley

First Reading                      Romans 12:9-21

A reading from the book of Romans

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good;  
<sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

<sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

<sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.

<sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is

noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” <sup>20</sup>No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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** Matthew 16:21-28

The holy gospel according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup>From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.”

<sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?”

<sup>27</sup>“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done.

<sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

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 *I Will Follow*

Nicole Ewing, Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermeyer, Josh Young

Where You go, I'll go;  
Where You stay, I'll stay;  
When You move, I'll move.  
I will follow.

All your ways are good,  
All your ways are sure;  
I will trust in You alone.  
Higher than my sight,  
High above your life;  
I will trust in You alone.

*Chorus*

Where You go, I'll go;  
Where You stay, I'll stay;  
When You move, I'll move.  
I will follow You.  
Whom You love, I'll love;  
How You serve, I'll serve;  
If this life I lose,  
I will follow You, yeah,  
I will follow You, yeah.

Light into the world,  
Light into my life,  
I will live for You alone.  
You're the One I seek,  
Knowing I will find  
All I need in You alone. In you alone.

*Chorus*

In You, there's life everlasting.  
In You, there's freedom for my soul.  
In You, there's joy, unending joy.  
And I will follow

*Chorus 2x*

Yeah,  
I will follow You, yeah,  
I will follow You, yeah,  
I will follow You, yeah

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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  
Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

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).*

## Communion Praise      *Give Me Faith*

Nicole Ewing, Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermeyer, Josh Young

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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.**

## Special Music      *Bless This House*      Nancy White, soloist

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## Offertory

## Announcements

*Please rise as you are able.*

Sending Hymn      *Bind Us Together*

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go get'em!!!

Postlude

*Marche Romaine*

Charles F. Gounod

arr. by Lee Ellia

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## Announcements

**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 \$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** is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their daughters and their families by Rick and Debbie Solazzo.

**The flowers** are sponsored to the glory of God and memory of Jean Boyer by her family.

**The communion** is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of her pets by Nancy Wolfe.

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

**Serving Today** Head Usher: George Trowbridge; Usher: Brian Flack; Lector: Todd Rothermel; Children's Sermon: Hayley Quigley; Acolyte: London Meeker; Communion Assistants: Donna Kehs and Carolyn Fleming

**Serving Next Sunday** Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Rick Hausch and Rick Solazzo; Lector: Donna Kehs; Children's Sermon: Nikki Young; Acolyte: Elsa Lucas

**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

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

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

**Food Delivery Pickup** – Wednesday, 1:30 PM, portico

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

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

**Property** – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

**God on Tap** – Thursday, 6:00 PM, offsite

**Men's Breakfast** – Saturday, 8:00 AM, offsite

**Boy Scout Car Wash** – Saturday, 1:00 – 4:00 PM, parking lot

**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

**JAM** – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 21

**Picnic** – Next Sunday, 11:30 AM, picnic grove

**The church office** will be closed on Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, for the Labor Day holiday.

**God on Tap** Come to dinner and join in the discussion of a contemporary Christian topic this Thursday, 6:00 at Main Street in Bally. For more information, email Randy Dotterer at [RDPTW6489@Gmail.com](mailto:RDPTW6489@Gmail.com) or call/text him at 610-306-0621. God on Tap meets the first Thursday of the month.

**Men's Breakfast is this Saturday, 8:00 AM** 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.

## Upcoming Events

**JAM Kick-off is next Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.** This year's theme is Space, a continuation from Kids Camp. Help us blast off into the new programming year. You won't want to miss this! Worship begins at 9:00 followed by JAM at 10:15 and then the picnic at 11:30 at the picnic grove. The main course and drinks will be provided for the picnic. Bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share.

**Third Grade Bible** Bibles will be handed out to our third graders on kick-off **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**, during worship. Contact Nikki Young if you have a third grader OR a student that did not receive a Bible when in third grade.

**The next Handbell Choir rehearsal** will be **Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:15 – 7:30 PM.** Interested in joining the choir or would like more information, contact Handbell Choir Director Barb Eisenhart.

**Chancel Choir rehearsals** resume **this Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 8:15 PM.** Interested in joining the choir or would like more information, contact Director of Music Ministry Patricia Nyce.

**Kids Choir rehearsals** for ages 3 -12 resume **Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, at 11:20 AM.** Interested in joining the choir or would like more information, contact Director of Music Ministry Patricia Nyce.

**Boy Scout Troop 367 Car Wash** Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 – 4:00 PM at NHELCC's parking lot The cost is \$5.00. Proceeds benefit the scouts with dues and camping activities. Thank you for your support.

**Monthly mid-week dinners** return **Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, at 5:45 PM.** Take a break planning dinner and join your church family for the monthly Loaves & Fishes mid-week dinner. The dinners will be held on the third Wednesday of the month throughout the program year.

**Adult Study Forum – The Phoenix Affirmation** Starts Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, at 10:15 in room 33. What is It? - The twelve Affirmations express a more traditional, inclusive, and expansive

role for Christianity. The Affirmations say that, as Jesus teaches us, our Christian love should be expressed in three ways: by loving God, neighbor, and self.

The public face of Christianity in America today bears little connection to the historic faith of our ancestors. It represents even less our own faith as Christians who continue to celebrate the gifts of our Creator, revealed, and embodied in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Heartened by our experience of the transforming presence of Christ's Holy Spirit in our world, we find ourselves in a time and place where we will be no longer silent. We hereby mark an end to our silence by making the following affirmations:

As people who are joyfully and unapologetically Christian, we pledge ourselves completely to the way of Love. We work to express our love, as Jesus teaches us, in three ways: by loving God, neighbor, and self.

Join us each Sunday as we explore what it means to love God, love Neighbor, and love thyself.

**“If” a time to come as you are** Every Thursday in the morning, we will meet to discuss several questions posted weeks beforehand. The questions will pertain to our everyday lives, no matter who we are, where we are in life or age. We will apply our collective experiences, wisdom and Bible scriptures to help the discussion along. There are no prerequisites; come as you are, and everyone is invited. If you like to listen or talk, please come. Contact Pastor Scott if you have any questions and look in the bulletin or website for posted dates and questions in the near future.

**Senior Faith Gatherings** This fall we will have monthly senior ministry gatherings. First we need a name for the group, because, what is a senior anyway? The monthly gatherings will have a topic, featured speaker and fellowship time. Currently, topics include a kick-off gathering with a luncheon, Hymn sing and fellowship. The next gatherings will include organizing your vital information in one packet (so your loved one's can easily find the information they need in times of emergency (no matter how scattered they are 😊)), and a session on downsizing one's living area. We all from time to time accumulate “stuff.” This session

will be like a trip planner where we address each area of our “stuff” one at a time to accomplish whatever goal we set. With each gathering, of course there will be refreshments and social time. Contact Pastor Scott if you wish to help with these gatherings. Contact Pastor Scott if you have any questions and look in the bulletin or website for posted dates in the near future.

**Harvest Home Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**, Bring non-perishable donations with you to worship for the annual Harvest Home celebration of our bounty. Before entering the sanctuary for worship, drop off your donations at the designated area in the Welcome Center. At the beginning of the service, children will bring the items to the altar for a blessing.

**The NHEL C Book Club** is reading *The Paper Place* by Miranda Cowley Heller. All are welcome to meet and discuss this book on **October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 PM at Plaza Azteca in Boyertown**. If you have any questions, contact Sharon Tracey.

**“Jimmy Buffett’s Margaritaville” at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre** on Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. You don’t have to be a member of the New Hanover Area AARP to join them on this bus trip. The cost is \$123.00. The bus leaves NHEL C’s parking lot at 9:30 AM. Contact Carol Griffith at (484) 363-7376 for any questions and to make your reservation.

## 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

**Wanted: JAM Teachers** Last year we discovered it would be beneficial to have our older and younger preschool/elementary classes split for at least the lesson part of JAM (Jesus and Me). Students will still gather together for the opening and then go to their age-appropriate classes. Therefore, we need a team of four to

teach pre-k – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and a team of four to teach 3 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade. With two teams of four, everyone can serve just one Sunday per month. Won't you consider helping with this important piece of our faith formation? Prayerfully consider serving then talk to Nikki ASAP! This is a relatively small commitment that can make a BIG difference in our Kid Ministry!

**Dreaming of being a TV producer/director?** Sign up with Amy to learn how you can produce and direct our weekly worship service. The sessions will be scheduled for two hours at a time so you can learn and practice using the equipment. There are two spots or one family spot available per training session.

Tues., September 5<sup>th</sup>, TBD; Thurs., September 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30 PM; Sun., September 17<sup>th</sup>, 10 - Noon (after worship); Tues., September 26<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 PM; Sun., October 1<sup>st</sup>, 10 - Noon (after worship) and Tues., October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6 - 8 PM. Additional dates and times will be available.

**All Dates are subject to change. Check for a signup Genius at [www.newhanoverlutheran.org](http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org).**

**Volunteers are needed** to help during the church service: Ushers, Lectors, Children's Sermons Acolytes and Communion Assistants. 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 at [tonkin.3028@comcast.net](mailto:tonkin.3028@comcast.net) or 610-220-6018.

**NHELC is collecting non-perishable items** throughout 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 helping those in need.

## 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

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.

## Thank You

**The Swamp Picnic Committee would like to thank EVERYONE** for helping to make this year's Great Swamp Picnic a big success. Whether you volunteered, cleaned, cooked, served, set up, cleaned up, attended and/or prayed for us, thank you. We

did what NHELCC does best; we welcomed our church family and our neighbors for a day of food, fun, and fellowship.

# **Men's Mission Trip**

**Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**

**9 AM - 8 PM**

## Highlights

- ✿ General Spatz Museum and Escape Experience
- ✿ Mid-Atlantic Air Museum Tour
- ✿ Bible studies, fellowship and more

Watch for more details and the opportunity to sign up.



## 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

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	Sandy Wesner	Helen Foulke
Paige Longstreth	Carla Hausmann	Joan Price
Rodney Snell	Ruth Clemmer	Betty Seroski
Ralph Borneman	Lucille Powell	Virginia Specht
Bill Lowry	Tom Fleagl	Mary Alice Mack
Jeffrey Weems	Joan Scheffey	

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**INCLUSIVE**  
and safe ministries  
FOR LGBTQIA+ FOLK

**7** Saturday **OCTOBER**      **9** to **2**

**UPPER DUBLIN LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
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Join us for our 5<sup>th</sup> annual In God’s Image event! Saturday, October 7, at Upper Dublin Lutheran Church with keynote speaker Pastor Noah Hepler! In God’s Image is a day-long (9-2) program of worship, workshops, conversation, and resources. Sponsored by the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA, this is sure to be a great day. Folks from all over the region — Lutheran and non-Lutheran, church “professionals” and those who just want to know more — will gather at Upper Dublin to share their experiences, learn about ministry potentials in their contexts, and share joys and concerns about inclusive and expansive ministry. It is the aim of this event to equip those who are passionate about ministry for and with LGBTQIA+ folks in their congregation, their families, their workplaces to be able to reach out in love and support for their beloved.

Sign up in the welcome center. Contact Sharon Tracey at [lbd36@aol.com](mailto:lbd36@aol.com) for more information. Thank you.

# 2023/24 Program Calendar

Events will be added and we will alert you when that is the case! Check us out on Facebook or at [www.newhanoverlutheran.org](http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org)

## SEPTEMBER

- 10 Move up Sunday (3rd grade Bibles) / Church Picnic
- 19 Meet me in the Garden – 6 PM dinner and light gardening
- 20 Loaves and Fishes Dinner 5:45
- 24 Festival of Harvest Home Worship (Bring non-perishable food and kids will bring forward at start of worship)

## OCTOBER

- 1 World Communion Sunday
- 18 Loaves and Fishes Dinner 5:45  
First Communion Class (2nd grade & up at parent/staff discretion) 6:30-7:30
- 15 Pregnancy and Infant loss Wave of Light Service 6:30 PM
- 22 Pumpkin Frolic 2:00-4:00 (Paint/Carve pumpkins, games)
- 29 Reformation Sunday - First Communion and Reception/all ages

## NOVEMBER

- 5 All Saints Sunday
- 11 Roast Beef Dinner 4-7
- 15 Loaves and Fishes Dinner 5:45
- 23 Thanksgiving Day Community Worship Service 9 AM

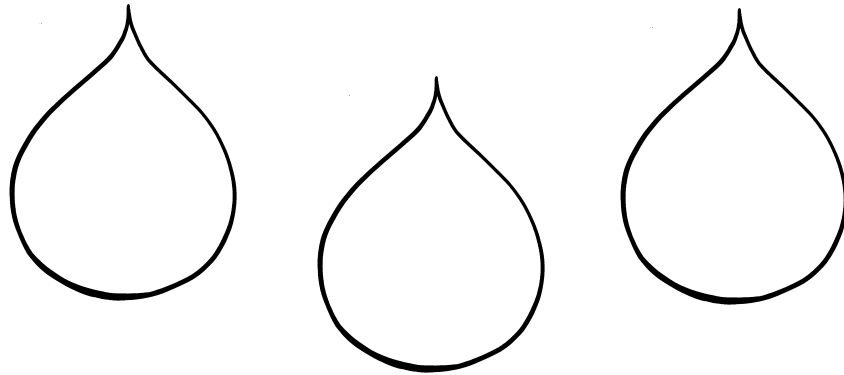
# Send

## The promise of love

A shell helps us remember God's promise of love in baptism.



**Draw something in the water drops to remind you of a promise you make to God, to yourself, to others.**



Show your drawing to someone else. Tell them why that promise is important to you.

## This week

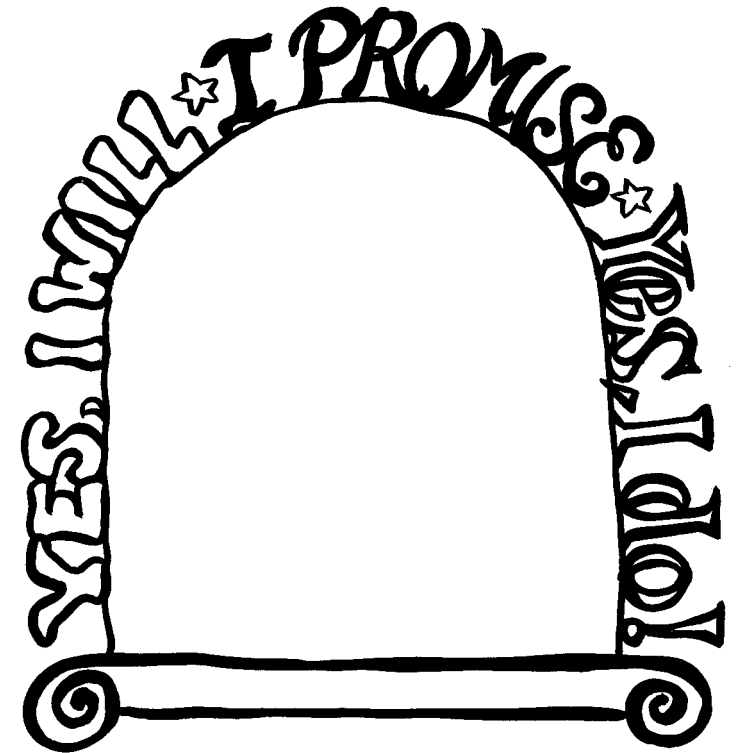
Be aware of promises you make this week, and remember to keep them.



# gather

Welcome to worship! A promise is a vow or a pledge. Have you ever made a promise? Did you keep it?

**Draw what happened here.**

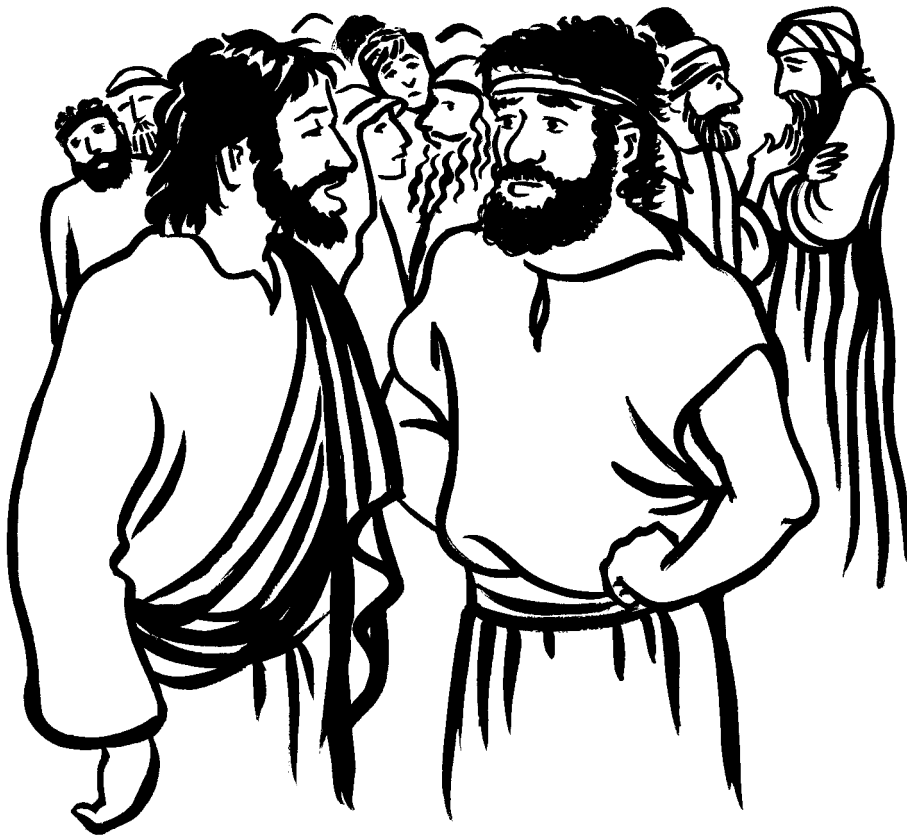


When we keep promises, people know we mean what we say and can trust us.

## God's promises

Matthew 16:21-28

In today's reading, Jesus tries to tell his disciples about hard times to come. They can't understand and don't want to hear about it.



Think about a time when you have not wanted to hear the truth.

The Bible is a book of God's promises. A promise doesn't mean everything will be easy or fun. This is true for God's promises too. We can trust God's promise to be with us no matter what.

**Unscramble the words and write God's promises on the lines provided.**

God promises:

...to **ovle** us **rovfeer**

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...to **yats** with us **laaysw**

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...to **tenlis** to our **rpyraes**

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...that we will **evli** with God in **vhenae**

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*Thank you, God, for always keeping your promises. Amen*

# Will You Come and Follow Me

## *The Summons*



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

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# Draw Me Close

Words and Music by  
Kelly Carpenter

## VERSE

♩ = 70

B $\flat$

E $\flat$ /B $\flat$

F/B $\flat$

B $\flat$



Draw me close to You.

Nev - er let me go.



I lay it all down a - gain

to hear You say that I'm Your friend.



You are my de - sire.

No one else will do,



'cause noth - ing else could take Your place

To feel the warmth of Your



em - brace.

Help me find the way.

Bring me back to You.

## CHORUS

B $\flat$   
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F/B $\flat$

E $\flat$ 2/B $\flat$

B $\flat$

F/A

E $\flat$ 2/G

F7sus

F7



You're all I want.

You're all I've ev - er need - ed.

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25 1

B $\flat$  F/B $\flat$  E $\flat$ 2/B $\flat$  F11sus F B $\flat$

You're all I want. Help me know You are near.

Detailed description: This block contains the first line of music, measures 25 through 28. It is written in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). Measure 25 starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note B-flat, a quarter note G, and a quarter note F. Measure 26 has a quarter rest, a quarter note G, a quarter note F, and a quarter note E-flat. Measure 27 begins with a 7/8 time signature, followed by a quarter note G, a quarter note F, a quarter note E-flat, and a quarter note D. Measure 28 has a quarter rest, a quarter note D, a quarter note C, and a quarter note B-flat. A first ending bracket labeled '1' spans measures 27 and 28. The lyrics are: 'You're all I want. Help me know You are near.'

**ENDING**

29

2 3

B $\flat$  E $\flat$ 2/F F Gm2 Gm/F F11sus F B $\flat$

*D.S.*

Help me know You are here.\_\_\_\_

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of music, measures 29 through 31. It continues in the same treble clef and key signature. Measure 29 has a quarter rest, a quarter note B-flat, a quarter note G, and a quarter note F. Measure 30 has a quarter rest, a quarter note G, a quarter note F, and a quarter note E-flat. Measure 31 begins with a 7/8 time signature, followed by a quarter note G, a quarter note F, a quarter note E-flat, and a quarter note D. A second ending bracket labeled '3' spans measures 29 and 30. The lyrics are: 'Help me know You are here.\_\_\_\_'. The instruction 'D.S.' is written below measure 30.

# I Will Follow

Words and Music by  
Chris Tomlin, Jason Ingram  
and Reuben Morgan

## INTRO

♩ = 96 Gm Eb/G Bb/F

Where You go, I'll go; Where You stay, I'll stay; When You move, I'll move.

4 F Gm7 Eb2 Bb F(4)

I will fol - low. Oh, oh, oh.

## VERSE

Eb Gm7 F(4) Bb2 F/A

1. All Your ways are good, all Your ways are sure; I will trust in You a - lone.  
2. Light in - to the world, Light in - to my life— I will live for You a - lone.

13 Eb Gm7 F(4) Bb2 F/A

High - er than my sight, high a - bove my life; I will trust in You a - lone.  
You're the One I seek, know - ing I will find all I need in You a - lone..

## CHORUS

17 Eb F(4) Gm7 Eb2

In You a - lone. Where You go, I'll go; Where You stay, I'll stay;

21 B $\flat$  F(4) Gm7




When You move, I'll move. I will fol - low You. Whom You love, I'll love;

**INTERLUDE**

24 E $\flat$ 2 B $\flat$  F(4) Gm7

*Last time to Coda*



How You serve, I'll serve; If this life I lose, I will fol - low You, yeah.

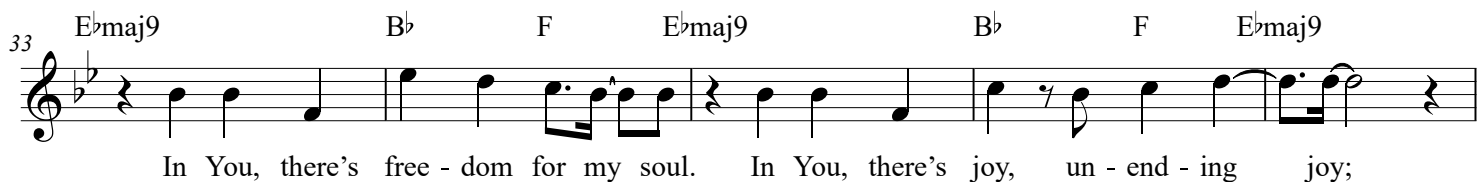
**BRIDGE**

28 E $\flat$ 2 B $\flat$  F(4) E $\flat$ maj9 B $\flat$  F



I will fol - low You, yeah. In You, there's life ev - er - last - ing.

33 E $\flat$ maj9 B $\flat$  F E $\flat$ maj9 B $\flat$  F E $\flat$ maj9



In You, there's free - dom for my soul. In You, there's joy, un - end - ing joy;

38 B $\flat$  F *D.S. al Coda*

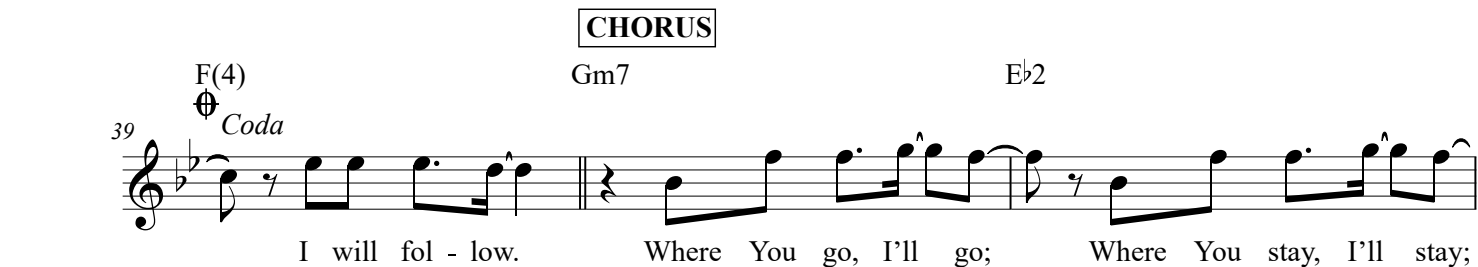


And I will fol - - low.

**CHORUS**

39 F(4) Gm7 E $\flat$ 2

*Coda*



I will fol - low. Where You go, I'll go; Where You stay, I'll stay;

42 B $\flat$  F(4) Gm7



When You move, I'll move. I will fol - low You. Whom You love, I'll love;

**ENDING**

45 Eb2 Bb F(4) Gm7

How You serve, I'll serve; If this life I lose, I will fol - low You, yeah.

Detailed description: This musical staff contains measures 45 through 48. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). Measure 45 starts with a half note Eb2, followed by a quarter rest, then eighth notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. Measure 46 continues with eighth notes Bb4, A4, G4, and F4. Measure 47 features eighth notes E4, D4, C4, and Bb3. Measure 48 concludes with a half note G3. Chord symbols Eb2, Bb, F(4), and Gm7 are positioned above the staff at the beginning of measures 45, 46, 47, and 48 respectively.

49 Eb2 Bb F(4) Gm7 Eb2

I will fol - low You, yeah. I will fol - low You, yeah. I will fol - low You,

Detailed description: This musical staff contains measures 49 through 53. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. Measure 49 starts with a half note Eb2, followed by a quarter rest, then eighth notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. Measure 50 continues with eighth notes Bb4, A4, G4, and F4. Measure 51 features eighth notes E4, D4, C4, and Bb3. Measure 52 concludes with a half note G3. Measure 53 starts with a half note Eb2, followed by a quarter rest, then eighth notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. Chord symbols Eb2, Bb, F(4), Gm7, and Eb2 are positioned above the staff at the beginning of measures 49, 50, 51, 52, and 53 respectively.

54 Bb F(4)

yeah. \_\_\_\_\_

Detailed description: This musical staff contains measures 54 and 55. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. Measure 54 starts with a half note Bb2, followed by a quarter rest, then eighth notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. Measure 55 continues with eighth notes Bb4, A4, G4, and F4. Chord symbols Bb and F(4) are positioned above the staff at the beginning of measures 54 and 55 respectively. The staff ends with a double bar line. The word 'yeah.' is written below the staff, followed by a horizontal line.

## Bind Us Together

*Refrain*  
F Dm Gm

Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that

C<sup>7</sup> F F

can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,

Dm Gm C F

bind us to - geth - er, Lord; bind us to - geth - er in love.

F<sub>1</sub> C<sup>7</sup> F<sub>1</sub> F C<sup>7</sup> F

1 There . . is on - ly one God. There . . is on - ly one King.  
2 You are the fam - ily of God. You are the prom - ise di - vine.

F<sub>1</sub> C<sup>7</sup> F<sub>1</sub> F C<sup>7</sup> F *Refrain* B<sup>b</sup>/C

There . . is on - ly one Bod - y; that . . is why we can sing;  
You are God's cho - sen de - sire, you are the glo - rious new wine.

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