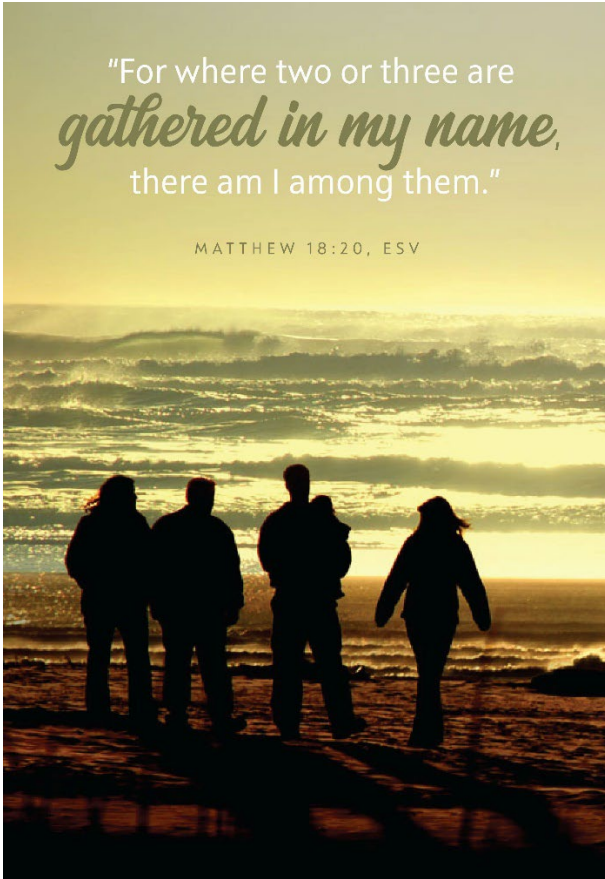


**Welcome to worship at  
New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 10, 2023**

"For where two or three are  
*gathered in my name,*  
there am I among them."

MATTHEW 18:20, ESV



Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community. Jesus' words in today's gospel are often used in situations having to do with church discipline. The prophet Ezekiel tells of warning the wicked to turn from their ways, and Paul reminds us that love is the fulfilling of the law. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

**The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor  
Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry  
Lindsey Waltermeyer, 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    *As We Gather at Your Table*    ELW #522

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 Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Centering Song

*Give Me Faith*

Emily Gates, Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermeyer, Josh Young

I need You to soften my heart  
And break me apart  
I need You to open my eyes  
To see that You're shaping my life

*Pre-Chorus*

All I am  
I surrender

*Chorus*

Give me faith to trust what You say  
That You're good and Your love is great  
I'm broken inside I give You my life

I need You to soften my heart  
And break me apart  
I need You to pierce through the dark  
And cleanse every part of me

*Pre-Chorus*

*Chorus*

*Bridge*

'Cause I may be weak  
But Your Spirit's strong in me  
My flesh may fail  
My God You never will

*Repeat Bridge*

*Chorus 2x*

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*Please be seated.*

Children's Message

Nikki Young

## Presentation of 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bibles

Nikki Young

On behalf of the church, we present to you these Bibles. We have chosen the Spark NRSV Bible because we felt they were age appropriate, user friendly and would serve you well until you get to confirmation. As third graders, you are old enough to read these words on your own, to study them, pray with them, and ask questions about them. You do not only read these words on your own. You also come to God's Word in the context of a community here at church and in J.A.M.

Congregation

**We hope that as you read the Bible, you will bring not only your faith but also your questions and your doubts to New Hanover Lutheran Church to find a loving, supporting, listening and teaching community. We want to grow with you in faith and knowledge.**

Pastor

As you read the Word in the family of God, you also read it as part of your earthly family.

Family members of those receiving Bibles

**We promise to read these words with you, to listen to your questions, to share our ideas, and be honest about our doubts. We want to grow with you in faith and knowledge.**

*Distribute Bibles to each student*

Pastor

Receive the Word of God. Learn its stories and study its words. Its stories belong to us all, and these words speak to us all. They tell us who we are. They tell us that we belong to one another, for we are the people of God. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may you encounter this story as God's living Word for you, for this community, and for the world. Amen.

## JAM (Jesus and Me) Teacher Installation

Nikki Young

We invite the teachers to come forward.

Today we recognize and bless those who have been called, set apart, equipped and sent as leaders in our teaching ministry.

*(The Director of Children Family & Youth addresses the teachers)*

As those called and empowered by God to teach, guide and lead the children, youth and adults, do you accept this responsibility to nurture Christian growth in others and give witness to God's faithfulness in your own life?

Teachers

I accept this responsibility and ask God to help and guide me.

Nikki Young

Will you draw upon the spiritual gifts God has bestowed upon you? Will you use your talents, interests and abilities to lead others to fullness in a life in Christ?

Teachers

I will and ask God to help and guide me.

*(The DCF&Y addresses all those who will be participating in Christian Education)*

Will you, the learners, participate to the best of your ability eagerly seeking to be fed by God's Word, and, respecting and supporting those who teach and lead?

Learners

**We will, and ask God to help and guide us.**

Nikki Young

It is our privilege to affirm and send forth those who are called to the teaching ministry of our congregation and God's kingdom in this place. Will you commit to support them in their spiritual well-being through prayer, encouragement, participation and service? And will you pray that teachers, leaders and learners will be well fed by God's incredible Word?

Congregation

**We will, and ask God to help and guide us.**

Let us pray. Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon all those who teach and learn. Bless the gifts you have bestowed on us and help us to acknowledge your intent for these gifts. Fill us with desire to live faithfully and committed to leading others to your abundant grace and love. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

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**First Reading**                      Ezekiel 33:7-11

A reading from the book of Ezekiel

<sup>7</sup>So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. <sup>8</sup>If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup>But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

<sup>10</sup>Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” <sup>11</sup>Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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 18:15-20

The holy gospel according to Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup>“If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. <sup>16</sup>But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup>If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. <sup>18</sup>Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup>Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup>For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

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 *Your Grace Is Enough*

Emily Gates, Donna Kehs, Lindsey Waltermeyer, Josh Young

Great is Your faithfulness, O God  
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart  
You lead us by still waters into mercy  
And nothing can keep us apart

*Pre-Chorus*

(So) remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise, O God

*Chorus*

Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob  
You use the weak to lead the strong  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation  
And all Your people sing along

*Pre-Chorus*

*Chorus 2x*

*Pre-Chorus*

*Chorus*

Yeah, Your grace is enough  
Heaven reaches out to us  
Your grace is enough for me  
God I sing Your grace is enough  
I'm covered in Your love  
Your grace is enough for me, for me

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**Prayers of Intercession**

Merciful God,  
**receive 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

Choir Anthem

*Hymn to Joy*

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Announcements

*Please rise as you are able.*

Sending Hymn     *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*     ELW #836

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go get'em!!!

Postlude

*Majestic March*

Rob Roy Peery

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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 memory of her loving, adventurous and fun husband, Mark Schnee, by Rosalie Lisa.

**The flowers** are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of all the volunteers at NHELCC, who make this such a loving, welcoming Christian community by Jim and Nancy Gross.

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

**Serving Next Sunday** Head Usher: Jim Gross; Ushers: Jim Dugan and Jeff Wise; Lector: Sue Care; Children's Sermon: Nicole Ewing; Acolyte: Faye Weidner

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

**JAM Kick-off is today following worship.** This year's theme is Space, a continuation from Kids Camp. Help us blast off into the new programming year in the Christian Education Wing after worship. You won't want to miss this!

**A congregation picnic** will be held this morning 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. The picnic grove is located on Swamp Picnic Road between Charlotte Street and Lutheran Road.

## 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

**JAM** – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21

**Picnic** – Today, 11:30 AM, picnic grove

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

**Altar Guild** – Monday, 2:30 PM, sanctuary

**Cub Scouts** – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, picnic grove

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

**Chosen 300 Ministries** – 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, Pottstown

**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

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

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

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

**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

**Kids' Choir** – Next Sunday, 11:20 – 11:50 AM, room 15

**Rejoicing Spirits** – Next Sunday, 2:30 – 4:00 PM, room 1 and sanctuary

**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](mailto:slwesner@comcast.net) by Tuesday noon. And don't forget, husbands are invited too.

## Upcoming Events

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** for ages 13 and older are on **Wednesdays 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.

**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.

## **Men's Mission Trip - Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM - 8 PM**

Highlights include: 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.

**“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 NHELC 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 NHELC’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

**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.

Upcoming sessions include: 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 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 to 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.



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

## **NOVEMBER**

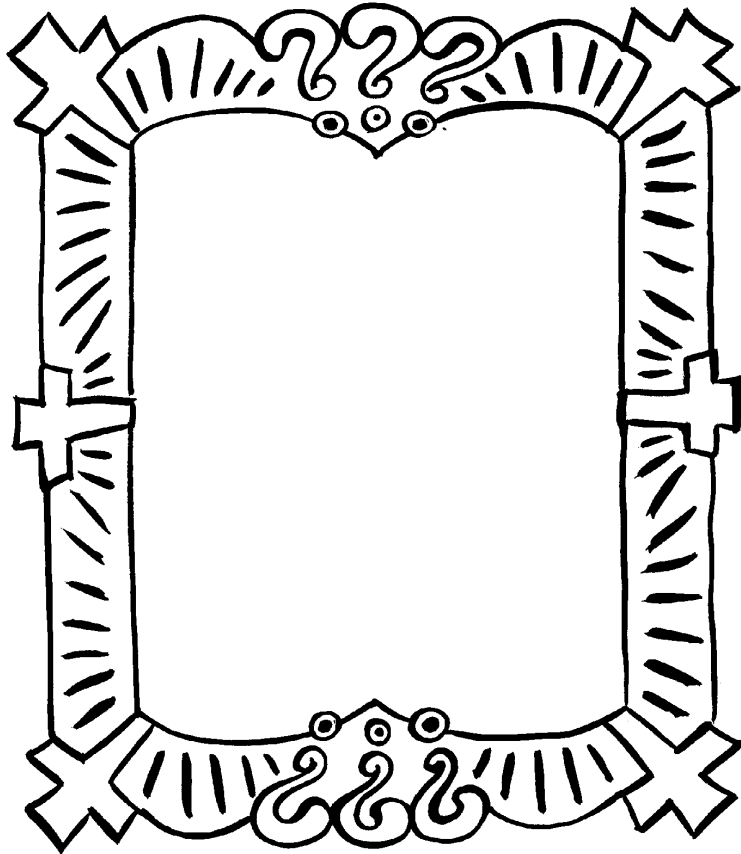
- 5 All Saints Sunday
- 11 Roast Beef Dinner 4-7
- 15 Loaves and Fishes Dinner 5:45
- 23 Thanksgiving Day Community Worship Service 9 AM

# Send

## God questions

Jesus said: "...truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven." WOW! God really hears our prayers! What will you pray about?

**Write or draw a picture of your prayer.**



## This week

When you make a mistake, give yourself a hug and remember Jesus' forgiveness.

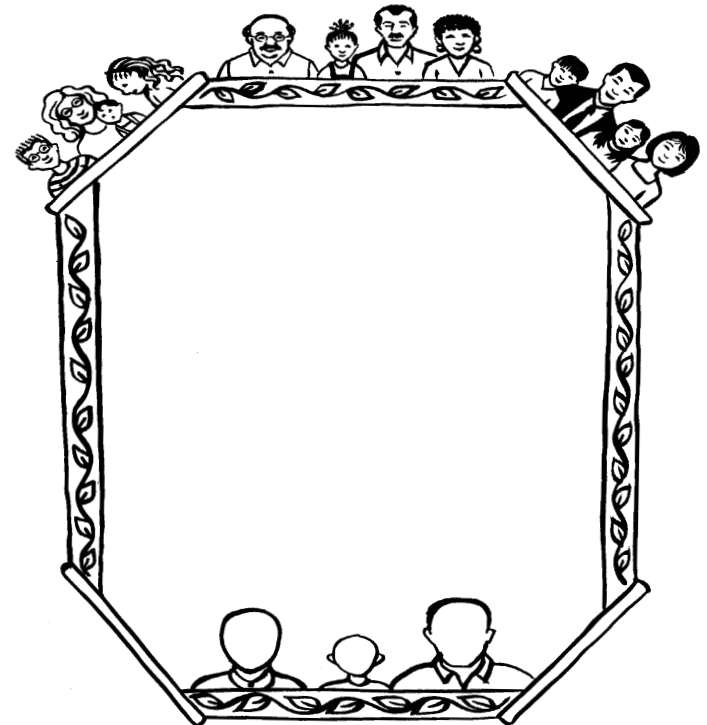


# gather

**Welcome to worship.** Jesus said: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them" (Matthew 18:20). Jesus is with you! Who else is with you? Who brought you to church?

How many people did you come with? \_\_\_\_\_

**Draw some of the people with you today.**



## I'm sorry

Matthew 18:15-20

Nobody's perfect. We all make mistakes. We need to say we're sorry to make things right with other people. There are many ways to say "I'm sorry." Jesus is with us always no matter what we do.

**Solve the puzzles by placing the correct vowels in the blanks to discover a few different ways to say "I'm sorry".**

1 = A    2 = E    3 = I    4 = O    5 = U

1.    \_\_\_    \_\_\_    PS, S    \_\_\_    RRY!  
       4    4                4

2.    \_\_\_    G    \_\_\_    \_\_\_    F    \_\_\_    D  
       3            4    4            2

3. PL    \_\_\_    \_\_\_    S    \_\_\_    F    \_\_\_    RG    \_\_\_    V    \_\_\_    M    \_\_\_  
       2    1            2            4            3    2            2

4.    \_\_\_    M    \_\_\_    D    \_\_\_    \_\_\_    M    \_\_\_    ST    \_\_\_    K    \_\_\_  
       3            1    2    1            3            1    2

5.    \_\_\_    'M    S    \_\_\_    RRY    \_\_\_    H    \_\_\_    RT    Y    \_\_\_    \_\_\_  
       3            4            3            5            4    5



How do you show someone you're sorry?

**Draw a picture of it here.**



Dear Jesus, thank you for forgiving us. Amen.

## As We Gather at Your Table



1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;  
3 Gra-cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri - um-phat Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;  
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.  
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

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# Give Me Faith

Words by  
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Wade Joye and London Gatch

Music by  
Chris Brown

## VERSE 1

♩ = 72

1. I need You to soft - en my heart and break me a - part. I need

5

You to o - pen my eyes, to see that You're shap - ing my life.

## PRE-CHORUS

All I am, I sur - ren - der.

## CHORUS

Give me faith to trust what You say, that You're good and Your love is great.

## VERSE 2

17

I'm bro - ken in - side, I give You my life. 2. I need You

22

to soft - en my heart and break me a - part. I need You to



26 E F#m D *D.S. al Coda*

pierce through the dark, and cleanse ev - 'ry part of me.

29 A Coda E

I give You my life.

**INSTRUMENTAL**

**BRIDGE**

D A E F#m D A F#m E D A

'Cause I may be weak,

35 E F#m D A F#m E

but Your Spir - it's strong in me. My flesh may fail. My God You nev - er will.

38 D

# Your Grace Is Enough

Words and Music by  
Matt Maher

## VERSE

♩ = 116      G                                      G/B                                      C

1. Great is Your faith - ful - ness, O God;  
2. Great is Your love and jus - tice, God of Ja - cob;

5      Em                                      G/B                                      C

You wres - tle with the sin - ner's rest - less heart.  
You use the weak to lead the strong.

9      G                                      G/B                                      C                                      Em

You lead us by still wa - ters in - to mer - cy                                      and noth - ing can  
You lead us in the song of Your sal - va - tion,                                      and all Your peo -

## PRE-CHORUS

14      G/B                                      C                                      Am                                      G/B

keep us a - part.                                      So, re - mem - ber Your peo - ple, re -  
ple sing a - long.

19      Cmaj7                                      D                                      Em                                      D                                      G/B                                      C

mem - ber Your chil - dren, re - mem - ber Your prom - ise O God.

**CHORUS 1**

24  $\%$  G D Em7 C G

Your grace is e - nough, Your grace is e - nough Your grace is e - nough,

**PRE-CHORUS**

30 1 2 3 D.S. Am

for me. Your Re - mem - ber Your

36 G/B Cmaj7 D Em D/F# G

peo - ple, re - mem - ber Your chil - dren, re - mem - ber Your prom - ise O God.

**CHORUS 1**

41 C G D Em7 C

Your grace is e - nough, Your grace is e - nough Your

**CHORUS 2**

47 G D C G

grace is e - nough, for me. Yeah, Your grace is e - nough; grace is e - nough;

52 D Em7 C G D

heav - en reach - es out to us. I'm cov - ered in Your love. Your grace is e - nough for me. Your grace is e - nough for me, \_

1 2 **ENDING**

57 C C G Dsus

God, I sing: Your for me. \_\_\_\_\_

63 Em7 C G Dsus Em7

68 C G

## Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.  
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

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