

**Welcome to worship at
New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 24, 2023**



Matthew narrates one of Jesus’ controversial parables in which Jesus says that the reign of God is like that of a landowner who pays his workers the same wage no matter what time of day they began to work. When God changes God’s mind about punishing Nineveh for their evil ways, Jonah is angry. Yet God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God’s mercy we are all beggars.

**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](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 *Sing to the Lord of Harvest* ELW #694

During the hymn, children bring Harvest Home donations to the altar for a blessing.

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.

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Centering Song *Here I Am to Worship*

Grace Band

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus:

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Chorus

Bridge:

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross

Chorus

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Please be seated.

Children's Message

Ariel Hansley

First Reading Jonah 3:10-4:11
A reading from the book of Jonah

¹⁰When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

^{4:1}But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry.

²He prayed to the LORD and said, “O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” ⁴And the LORD said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” ⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

⁹But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” ¹⁰Then the LORD said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

Here ends the reading.

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Carolyn Fleming, cantor

Congregation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Repeat alleluia

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16
 The holy gospel according to Matthew
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do

what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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 *Graves into Gardens*

Grace Band

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

Chorus:

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
There's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

Chorus 2x

Bridge 1 (sing 2x):

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

Chorus

Bridge 2 (sing 2x):

You turn graves into gardens
You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways
You're the only one who can

Ending:

You're the only one who can

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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 *As Rain from the Clouds* Nancy Mest, flute

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Announcements

Please rise as you are able.

Sending Hymn *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ELW #693

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Go get'em!!!

Postlude

Thanks Be to God

Ernest H. Sheppard

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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 NHELCC 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 John. O. Karns by his family.

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: Ed Becker; Ushers: Steve Weidner and Elfriede Ilik; Lector: London Meeker; Children's Sermon: Ariel Hansley; Acolyte: Ron Fegley

Serving Next Sunday Head Usher: Marty Hauser; Ushers: Bill

Tracey and Sharon Tracey; Lector: Ron Fegley; Children's Sermon: Nikki Young; Acolyte: Norm Hunsberger; Communion Assistants: Carolyn Fleming and Nikki Young

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

Thank you for your Harvest Home donations this morning.

Adult Study Forum – The Phoenix Affirmation begins today in room 33 following the service. 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.

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

Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:15 AM, sanctuary

Kids' Choir Rehearsal – Today, 11:20 – 11:50 AM, room 15

Cub Scouts – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 21-23, 27, 31, 33

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

Mission Service – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, offsite

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 Rehearsal – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, room 15

Troop 367 Committee – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, room 33

100 Days to Brave Challenge – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 29

Bell Choir Rehearsal – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15

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

Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:15 AM, sanctuary

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Cub Scouts – Next Sunday, 6:30 PM, room 1

Upcoming Events

Staff Appreciation Fellowship Hour Gather in Fellowship Hall, on Sunday, October 8th, immediately following the church service to show your support for the NHELC staff. The fellowship committee will host this event to honor all of our staff for their hard work and service.

The Sky is the Limit! Men's Retreat **Saturday, October 14th, 9 AM - 8 PM**

Come join us as we take off in our faith, and the sky is the limit. Highlights include bus transportation, the General Spaatz (First Chief of Staff - Air force) Museum Tour, the Mid Atlantic Air Museum Tour, Group Bible Studies, a Brewery Tour, lunch at

Klinger's Restaurant and Dinner at the Saucony Creek Brewing Company.

The price of admission to the museums will be \$20.00 total. Cost of the meals is on your own. Sign up at

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

Information for the museums can be found at

<https://www.maam.org/> and <https://www.spaatzmuseum.org/>.

For questions contact Pastor Scott at psstaub@gmail.com or Jim Davidheiser at Jimindeed@comcast.net to register.



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 ones 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.

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

Inclusive and safe ministries Join us for our 5th annual In God's Image event on Saturday, October 7th, 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 for more information. Thank you.

A Wave of Light service will be held on Sunday, October 15th, 6:30 PM for the National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day. This service will be held outdoors (weather permitting). If you know someone who has been touched by such a loss, invite the person to join us. Watch for further details in the bulletin and on Facebook. Contact Nikki Young with any questions.

Pumpkin Frolic will be held on Sunday, October 22nd, from 2:00 – 4:00 PM in fellowship hall. Come join the fun of pumpkin related activities including pumpkin decorating, fall crafts, scavenger hunt, games and snacks. Participants will be painting pumpkins, not carving them for safety purposes. Pumpkins and paint will be provided. This is a Thrivent Action team service project. There is no charge for this event; however, please bring some nonperishable food for Preston's Pantry at Boyertown Multi-Service. Signup on the designated sheet on the welcome center desk or at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-pumpkin1>. To be sure there will be enough pumpkins for those attending, sign up by October 16th.

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. The 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: Tues., September 26th, 6-8 PM; Sun., October 1st, 10 - Noon (after worship) and Tues., October 3rd, 6 - 8 PM. Additional dates and times will be available.

All Dates are subject to change. Check for a sign-up Genius at 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 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.

Food Ministry

More than 160,000 meals have been delivered! NHELHC’s Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry is changing lives. And, you can be

a part of the team. 1) You can donate food. Drop off your donation on Wednesdays between 1 – 2 PM and Sundays between 9 – 10 AM. **Items most needed include: hamburger, chicken (thighs and breast meat), pasta (ziti, elbows, bowties), cheese (mozzarella, cheddar, parmesan), potatoes, fresh fruit (apples, oranges, bananas) and eggs.** 2) Donate money through Thrivent Gift Cards. Place monetary donations in the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at <https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/>.

Pastor Scott and congregation,

I want to thank you for visiting my mother Joan in the hospital when she was ill with COVID. It was comforting and I really appreciated it. It was also a huge blessing for her to receive the delivered meals. She isn't up to cooking much and makes it so much easier for her.

With love, Susan Grebe

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 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.

100 Days to Brave Challenge

Counting up the Cost

With the calendar turning its pages to the first day of September, we've officially begun the kickoff into the busiest time of the year. With school in session, holidays fast approaching, and life moving at a pace that seems almost foreign to the fall of past pandemic years, it's a time of year when we can tend to pack our schedules to the brim. And with this year's calendar looking much different than the blank pages of last Septembers, it can be tempting to want to make up for everything we lacked last year, to get back to every tradition, and to make every memory. But, what cost are we willing to pay to make this fall a "successful" one?

Ruth Chou Simons shared a message that has long stuck with us, and we can't think of a better time to soak up her words about the grace of Jesus. Instead of entering into this season through the lens of striving and seeking to do or be all things to all people, we can, Ruth says, "redefine success as faithfulness to God through the means of grace." We can be both faithful and successful, if only we let our definition of success come from the Gospel of Jesus, rather than the gospel of self-improvement. Ephesians 2:8-10 says, For by grace you have been saved through faith.

And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. That truth is all we really need to know to move forward into October. We have been created for good works, and it is not because of anything we have done in the past; God has given us good works to do simply because God wants us to participate in God's grand design for eternity.

But are we missing the things God has for us because we're too focused on our own, frantic agendas? Whether this new month finds you anxiously spiraling in your mind because you're already overwhelmed at the thought of the months to come, or you're worried that you're not doing enough and need to be a better parent, spouse, coworker, child, sibling, or friend, let the truth of

the Gospel wash over you today. Jesus has good works for us to do, but our identity is found only in the abundance of God's glorious grace. Let us count up the cost of our souls, and, instead, find all of our wealth in the cross.

Question 1

Do you feel like you are prone to strive for success? What does that look like in your life?

Question 2

What does grace mean to you? When have you experienced grace in your life?

Question 3

How can you rest in God's grace instead of striving for it?

Question 4

What good works might God be calling you to do as you receive His grace?

Question 5

Looking at your month ahead, where do you feel like you might be prone to striving? Is there a cost you're paying to fulfill each of your current roles?

Question 6

What does God's grace mean to you? How can you let His grace shape how you spend your time?

Question 7

What would faithfulness to God look like in this season?

Question 8

Who can you give the grace of Jesus to this month?



Reconciling in Christ (RIC) is a program of Reconciling Works, an independent Lutheran organization that works collaboratively with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The purpose of the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) Program is to ensure the welcome, inclusion, celebration, and advocacy for people of all

sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions; work for racial equity and commit to anti-racist work and support the national program.

The RIC program is not a certification or a designation of the ELCA. It is a voluntary program that congregations can choose to participate in. Congregations that participate in the RIC program are listed on the Reconciling Works website and are provided with resources to help them become more welcoming and inclusive communities.

Prayer Requests

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

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: family and friends of Paige Longstreth

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
Carla Hausmann	Joan Price	Rodney Snell
Ruth Clemmer	Betty Seroski	Ralph Borneman
Lucille Powell	Virginia Specht	Bill Lowry
Tom Fleagle	Mary Alice Mack	Jeffrey Weems
Joan Scheffey	Arnold Amundsen	

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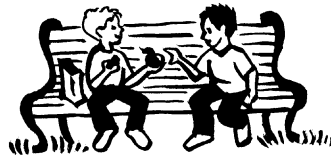


Send

Invite a friend!

We are all part of God's family, and like Jonah, we can tell other people about God's love.

Draw a heart around all the ways you might show God's love to someone.



Thank you, God, for loving all of us! Amen.

This week

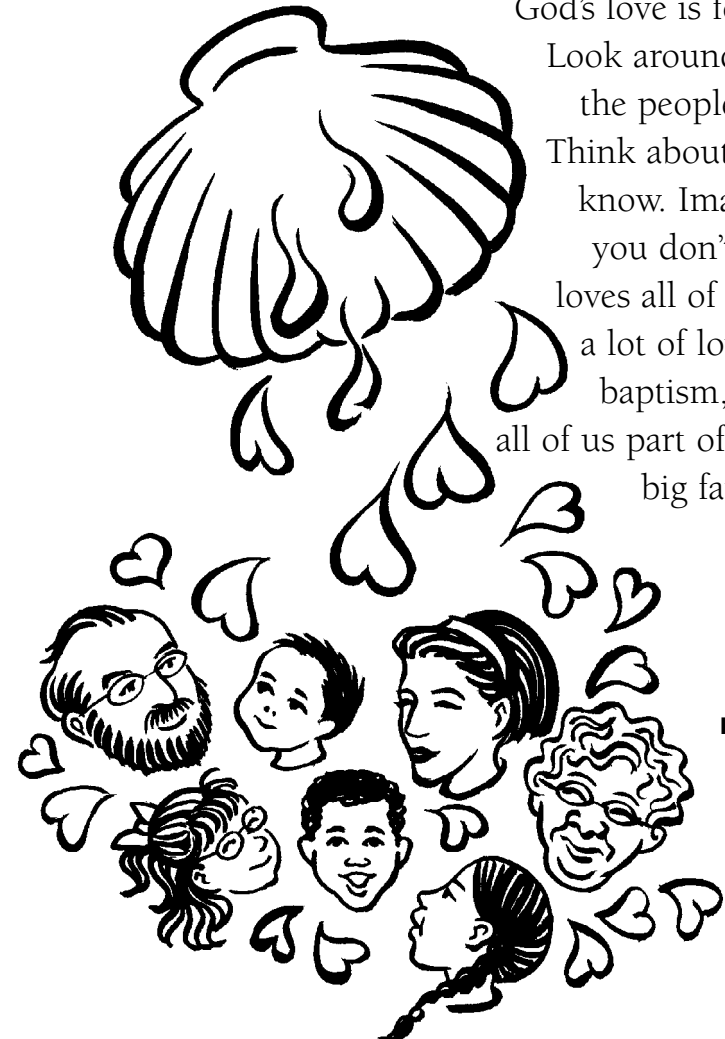
Invite another family to visit your church with you.

Kids Celebrate

Lectionary 25



gather



Welcome to worship!
God's love is for everyone. Look around and see all the people God loves! Think about people you know. Imagine people you don't know. God loves all of them. That's a lot of love! Through baptism, God makes all of us part of God's really big family. We are all splashed with love!

Guess how many hearts there are in this picture.

Count them as you color them in!

The rest of the story

Jonah 3:10—4:11

Remember the prophet Jonah? He's the guy who ran away from God, got swallowed by a really big fish, and lived in its belly for 3 days before finally getting spit out on dry land. What happened after that? Where did Jonah go, and what did he do? Listen to the story as it is read, then solve the puzzle below to find out!

_____ went to _____ to tell people about _____.



The people _____ and _____ the _____.



_____ left _____.



_____ sent _____ a _____ for _____.



The next day was _____ and _____, and a _____ ate the



_____.



Jonah was _____ and frustrated.



_____ said: "Don't worry _____!"



I will always take _____ of you.



I _____ you. I _____ all people."



Now you know the rest of the story. God loves us all!



Talk together about your favorite Bible stories.

Sing to the Lord of Harvest



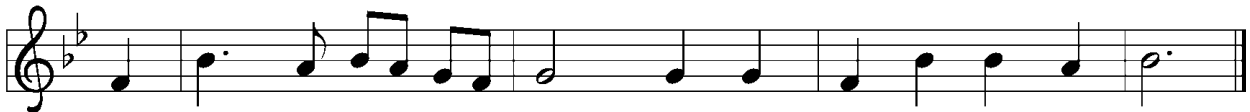
1 Sing to the Lord of har - vest your songs of love and praise;
2 God makes the clouds drop fat - ness, the des - erts bloom and spring,
3 Bring to this sa - cred al - tar the gifts his good-ness gave,



with joy - ful hearts and voic - es your al - le - lu - ias raise;
the hills leap up in glad - ness, the val - leys laugh and sing.
the gold - en sheaves of har - vest, the souls Christ died to save.



by him the roll - ing sea - sons in fruit - ful or - der move;
God fills them with his full - ness, all things with large in - crease,
Your hearts lay down be - fore him when at his feet you fall,



sing to the Lord of har - vest a joy - ous song of love.
and crowns the year with good - ness, with plen - ty and with peace.
and with your lives a - dore him who gave his life for all.

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Here I Am To Worship

Words and Music by
Tim Hughes

VERSE

♩ = 75

E Bsus F#m E Bsus

1. Light of the world, You stepped down in - to dark - ness, o - pened my eyes, let me
2. King of all days, oh so high - ly ex - alt - ed, glo - rious in heav - en a -

A2(no3) E Bsus F#m E Bsus

see. Beau - ty that made this heart a - dore You, hope of a life spent with
bove. Hum - bly You came to the earth You cre - a - ted, all for love's sake be - came

CHORUS

A2(no3) B7sus E B/D#

You. So, here I am to wor - ship, here I am to bow down, here I am to
poor.

E/G# A E

say that You're my God. And You're al - to - geth - er love - ly, al - to - geth - er

B/D# E/G# Last time to Coda A A2(no3) A

wor - thy, al - to - geth - er won - der - ful to me. And I'll nev -

BRIDGE

1

B/D# E/G# A B/D# E/G# A

er know how much it cost to see my sin up - on that cross. And I'll nev

2

A B7sus D.S. al Coda

24

that cross. So, here I am to

26

A Coda A2(no3) E

Graves Into Gardens

(based on the recording by Elevation Worship | original key: B)

Words and Music by
Brandon Lake, Chris Brown,
Steven Furtick and Tiffany Hammer

VERSE 1

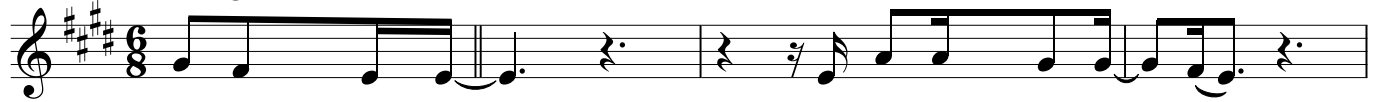
♩ = 46

A
Swing-sixteenths

E

A

E



1. I searched the world,

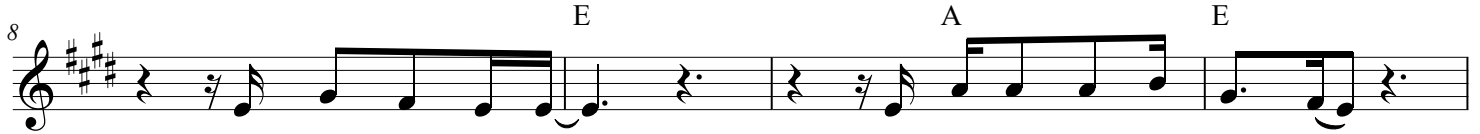
but it could - n't fill me.



Man's emp - ty praise

and trea - sures that fade

are nev - er e - nough.



Then You came a - long

and put me back to - geth - er.



And ev - 'ry de - sire

is now sat - is - fied

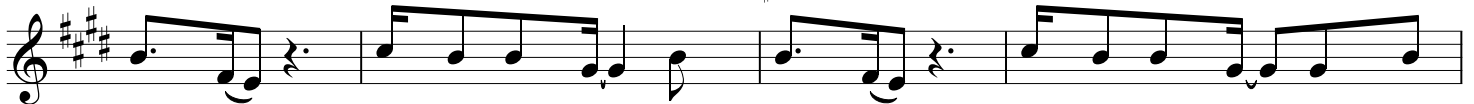
here in Your love.

Oh, there's

CHORUS

E

C#m7

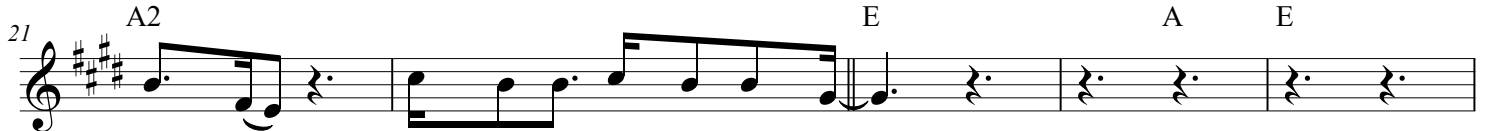


noth - ing

bet - ter than You. There's noth - ing

bet - ter than You. Lord, there's

TURNAROUND



noth - ing,

noth - ing is bet - ter than You.

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VERSE 2

26 A E A E

2. I'm not a - fraid to show You my weak - ness. My fail - ures and flaws,

31 C#m7 B(4) A2

Lord You've seen them all, and You still call me friend. 'Cause the God of the moun

35 E F#m7 E C#m7

tain is the God of the val - ley. There's not a place Your mer - cy and grace

CHORUS

40 B(4) A2 E

won't find me a - gain. Oh, there's noth - ing bet - ter than You. There's

45 C#m7 A2 1, 3

noth - ing bet - ter than You. Lord, there's noth - ing, noth - ing is bet - ter than You.

TURNAROUND

(1, 3) | 2, 4

49 E E A A (2nd x jump to Br.)

Oh, there's noth - ing is bet - ter than You.

BRIDGE

54 E A E A E

(1, You turn mourn - ing to danc - ing. You give beau - ty for ash
(3 You turn graves in - to gar - dens. You turn bones in - to ar-

1, 2, 4

59

A E C#m7 A2 E

es. You turn shame in - to glo - ry. You're the on - ly one who can.
 mies. You turn seas in - to high - ways. You're the on - ly one who can. _____

TAG

64

3, 5 1 2

E C#m7 A2 E D.S. E A E A

You're the on - ly one who can. Oh, there's

70

E

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come



- 1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
- 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
- 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har - vest home;
- 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

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