Welcome to worship at New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church

World Communion Sunday October 1, 2023



Jesus' parable about two sons who don't do what they say reveals surprises in the reign of God. In the reading from Ezekiel the people claim the ways of the Lord are unfair, while God offers repentance and new life. Paul urges us to look to Christ as a model of humility, putting the interests of others above our own. Nourished by the broken bread and shared cup, we offer our lives for the sake of our needy 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 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

God Is Here!

ELW #526

vs. 1-3

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.

God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Centering Song

Give Me Faith

Grace Band

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

First Reading Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 A reading from the book of Ezekiel

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? ³As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

²⁵Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. ²⁷Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. ²⁸Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

³⁰Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Here ends the reading.

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Carolyn Fleming, cantor



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

Gospel Matthew 21:23-32

The holy gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

²³When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

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 Jesus Messiah

Grace Band

He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing, love so amazing

Chorus:

Jesus Messiah, Name above all names Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

His body the bread, His blood the wine Broken and poured out, all for love The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn Love so amazing, love so amazing

Chorus

Bridge:

All our hope is in You All our hope is in You All the glory to You God The Light of the world

Chorus

Ending:
Jesus Messiah
Lord of all
Lord of all

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.

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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 O Come to the Altar Grace Band

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The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.

The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Offertory

Choir Anthem God Is Our Strong Salvation

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart arr. by Hal Hopson

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Announcements

Please rise as you are able.

Sending Hymn Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult ELW #696

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Go get'em!!!

Postlude Exalt His Name Charles Cooke

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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 NHELC raise \$74,000 for the HVAC and AVEL systems. Specially marked envelopes are available on the desk in the welcome center for your contribution. For more information, contact the church office at 610-326-1335.

Today

The bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their 30th wedding anniversary by Lisa and Joe Caputo.

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of Malaina Meeker's twelfth birthday on October 4th by her parents Christopher and Megan and her brother London.

The communion is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their grandson Ezra's second birthday by Todd and Stacey Rothermel.

The Word in Season devotion booklet is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of their daughter Lisa by Pastor Scott and Marsha Staub.

Serving Today 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

Serving Next Sunday Head Usher: Todd Rothermel; Ushers: Stacey Rothermel and London Meeker; Lector: Carol Estes; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermyer and Acolyte: Landon Woods

Altar Guild Serving this Month Nancy Gross, Sue Care and Brenda Hunsberger

Adult Study Forum – The Phoenix Affirmation 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 – Today, 6:30 PM, room 1

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary **Cub Scouts** – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 21-23, 27, 31, 33

Boy Scouts - Tuesday, 6:30 PM, room 1

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

Property – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

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

God on Tap – Thursday, 6:00 PM, offsite **Bell Choir Rehearsal** – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15

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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 or call/text him at 610-306-0621. God on Tap meets the first Thursday of the month.

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.

Flutter is going to the Haunted Woods at the Althouse Arboretum on Saturday, October 14th. We'll meet at church at 7:45 PM to carpool there. The cost is \$10 per person. Any youth in grades 6-12 is welcome to attend. Contact Lindsey Waltermyer or Jen Boyer if you plan to attend.

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 gathering 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 is you have any questions and look in the bulletin or website for posted dates in the near future.

The NHELC 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.

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.

Hot Roast Beef Dinner, Saturday, November 11th, 4:00 – 7:00 PM The Swamp Picnic Hot Roast Beef Dinner is back for its second year. Enjoy a delicious meal of hot roast beef with gravy on white bread, homemade potato filling, green beans, pepper cabbage, applesauce, dessert and a drink. You can eat in or get your meal to go. The cost for a meal is: Adult, \$16; Senior, \$14; 6 to 10 years old, \$8 and children 5 and younger eat free. You MUST make a reservation for your meal(s) by noon on Sunday, November 6th. Reserve your meal(s) online at http://www.newhanoverlutheran.org, fill out an order slip at church or call the church office at 610-326-1335.

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

Calling all bakers! Consider making and donating a cake or pie for the Hot Roast Beef Dinner. Our bakers provided an amazing selection of delicious baked goods for the Great Swamp Picnic and we would love to offer a yummy selection at this dinner. Donation drop off times will be announced. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

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: Tuesday, October 3rd, 6 - 8 PM; Thursday, October 19th, 10 – noon; Sunday, October 22nd, 10 – noon, Wednesday, November 15th, 1 – 3 PM, Sunday, November 26th, 10 – noon, and Tuesday, November 28th, 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.

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! 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/.

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.

Reconciling in Christ

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 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.

100 Days to Brave Challenge

Counting up the Cost

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 September, 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 Gods' 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?

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

Katy Mahon-Miller Matt Hall Toni Rath Luann Hanley William Trotter Carol Estes Kathy Kane Maxwell Girard Pat Fryer Jean Renninger Betty Lou Shadle Pr. Kork Mover Julia Hauck Tony Mancini Raul Castro Amy LeVan Jeffrey Kunsch Wilma Lahr Bernadette Phillips Jim Price Melissa Mary Lou Doug Weaver Joan Wagner Robert Ganovsky Dorothy Bingaman **Emily Ocelus** Eric & Wendy Hess Sue Care Deb Matthews Marceline Anne Eshleman Daniel Johnson Chris Fatzinger Hank Droneberg Pena family Kim Frain Jen Perez Frank D. Pam Helfrich Barb & Tom Faust Andy Van Dyke Janet Pam Abbott Holli Muffler Mary Van Dyke Pr. Jennifer Phelps Louise Karns Jessica Trout **Denny Smith** Verdi Smith Sandy Wesner Mabel Gaugler Helen Foulke Carla Hausmann Joan Price Rodney Snell Ruth Clemmer Betty Seroski Ralph Borneman Bill Lowry Lucille Powell Virginia Specht Tom Fleagle Mary Alice Mack Jeffrey Weems Joan Scheffey Arnold Amundsen

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Jend

Following Jesus, doing God's work

We can all follow Jesus and do God's work, yet be very different people. When you finish these lists, are they the same as anyone else's? Keep doing what you love to help others! God loves you for you!

I am good at	What are 3 ways you might do God's work? [Check the other lists for ideas!]	
I love doing		
	400 a 63	
My 3 favorite foods are		



Oh God, thanks for loving me. Help me do what I believe. Amen.

This week

What does your family believe? What is important to you? Create a family creed together.



gather

Welcome to worship. In today's gospel reading people ask Jesus questions. Listen for questions today. **Each** time you hear a question in the reading make a ? inside this big?



M	ly qu	estion	for J	esus:
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What question would Jesus ask you? _____



I believe

Matthew 21:23-32

What do you believe about God and Jesus? Christians in many places say what they believe each week in the creed. Listen for the words *I believe* during worship—that's the creed!

What kinds of things show what you believe about God and Jesus? Search the picture and mark any God-Jesus reminders with a cross [there are at least 11], then quietly tell someone else why you marked what you did. Look for people, places, and things.



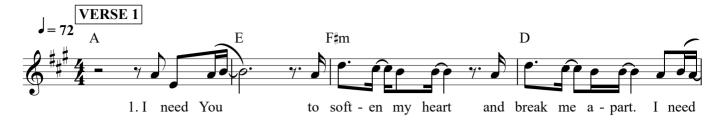
God Is Here!

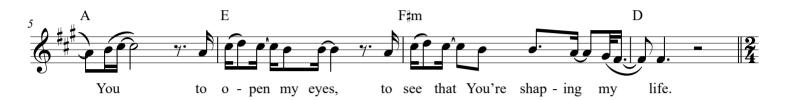


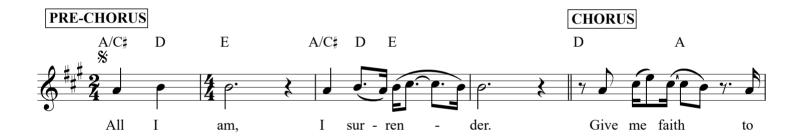
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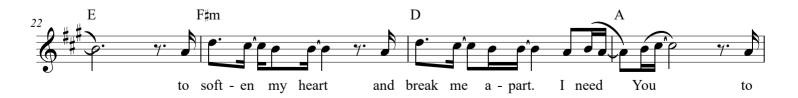


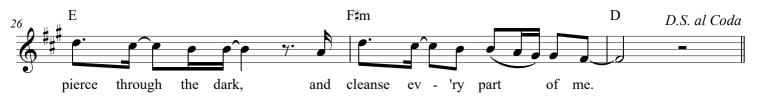


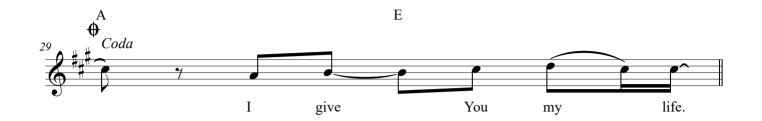


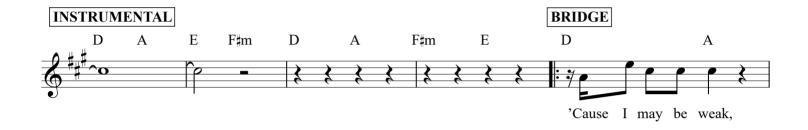










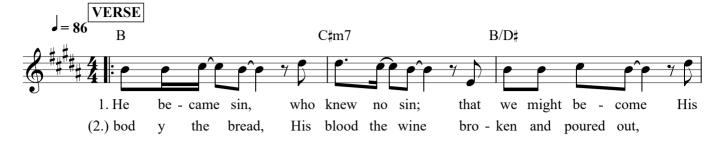


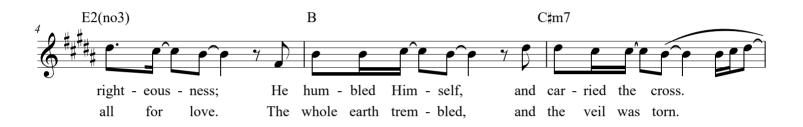


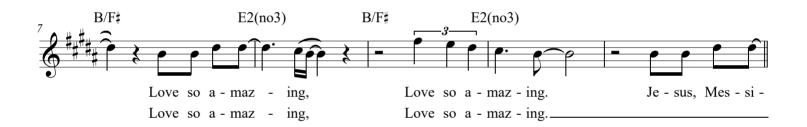


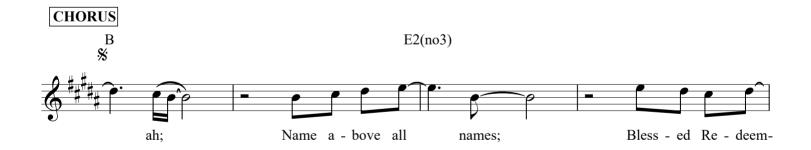
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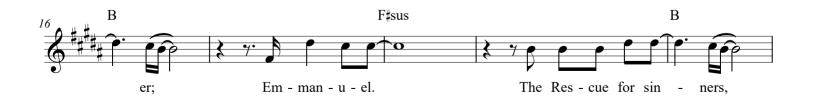
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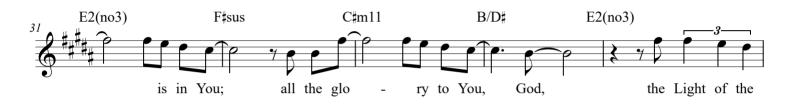






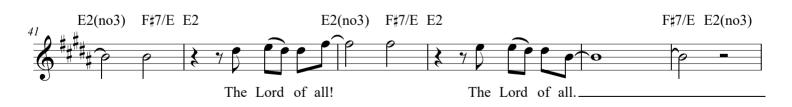


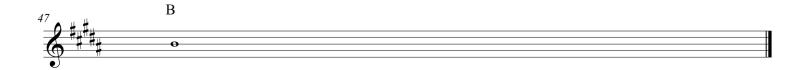












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