

Welcome to worship at
New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church

Second Sunday in Lent

February 25, 2024



**Take up your cross
and follow Jesus**

The second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah: God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was no life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

**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
[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 *The God of Abraham Praise* ELW #831
vs. 1-4

Call to Worship

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Prayer of the Day

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument
of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to
glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and
loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
and forever.

Amen.

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

Chorus:

O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ
Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

*Chorus 2x**Bridge:*

Oh what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful
Oh what a Savior, Christ is greater
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Oh what a Savior, Christ is greater

Chorus 2x

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

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Please be seated.

Children's Message

Ariel Hansley

A reading from the book of Genesis

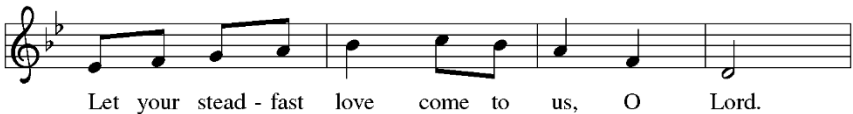
¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴“As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

¹⁵God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Here ends the reading.

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Mark 8:31-38

The holy gospel according to Mark

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said

all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Message

“Lived to”

Pastor Scott

Please rise as you are able.

Song of the Day

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Grace Band

Lord I lift Your name on high

Lord I love to sing Your praises

I'm so glad You're in my life

I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth

To show the way

From the earth to the cross

My debt to pay

From the cross to the grave

From the grave to the sky

Lord I lift Your name on high

Repeat from beginning

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Please be seated.

Holy Baptism

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

I present Hunter Tattershall for baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

I do.

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the

Ten Commandments,
place in his hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that your child may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

I do.

People of God, do you promise to support Hunter Tattershall and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

We do.

Profession of Faith

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God,
the powers of this world that rebel against God,
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Please rise as you are able.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: We give you thanks, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created heaven and earth. By the gift of water you nourish and sustain us and all living things.

Blessed be God now and forever.

By the waters of the flood you condemned the wicked and saved those whom you had chosen, Noah and his family. You led Israel by the pillar of cloud and fire through the sea, out of slavery into the freedom of the promised land.

Blessed be God now and forever.

In the waters of the Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection your beloved Son has set us free from the bondage to sin and death, and has opened the way to the joy and freedom of everlasting life. He made water a sign of the kingdom and of cleansing and rebirth. In obedience to his command, we make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God now and forever.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, so that those who are here baptized may be given new life. Wash away the sin of all those who are cleansed by this water and bring them forth as inheritors of your glorious kingdom.

To you be given praise and honor and worship through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Baptism

Hunter Tattershall, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Hunter with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Hunter, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

Welcome

Jesus said, I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Baptism Hymn *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* ELW #543

Pastor introduces Hunter while the congregation sings.

Prayers of Intercession

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The people give a sign of peace to each other.

Please be seated.

Offertory

Choir Anthem

Beloved, God's Chosen

Chancel Choir
Nancy Mest, flute

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Announcements

Please rise as you are able.

Sending Hymn

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

ELW#802

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Go get'em!!!

Postlude

Praise Him with Trumpets!

Richard Blake

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Announcements

Today

We welcome Hunter Tattershall, son of Jason and Jennifer Tattershall, who will be baptized this morning.

The Word in Season devotion booklet is sponsored to the glory of God by Don and Jo Anne Wirt.

Serving Today Head Usher: Ron Fegley; Usher: Ryan Fegley; Lector: Ed Becker; Children's Sermon: Ariel Hansley; Acolyte: Ainsley Lucas

Serving Wednesday Head Usher: Scott Geiser; Usher: Marty Hauser; acolyte: usher

Next Sunday Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Ushers: Sharon Tracey and Bill Tracey; Lector: Carolyn Fleming; Children's Sermon:

Lindsey Waltermeyer; Acolyte: Norm Hunsberger; Communion Assistants: Carolyn Fleming and Brenda Hunsberger

Altar Guild members serving this month: Lynn Fegley, Vicki Dotterer, Becky Gallagher and Sharon Wise.

The Nursery room is now open. It is located between the Welcome Center and the Fellowship Hall. Parents are welcome to use the room during worship services as needed. The room provides for a comfortable play area in a joyful environment, toys and books included. The room has access to a changing room and a private nursing room next door.

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

J.A.M. – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21

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

No Kids' Choir Rehearsal Today

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

GriefShare – Wednesday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 33

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

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

Lenten Dinner – Wednesday, 5:30 PM, rooms 1, 11

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

Lenten Service of Prayer – Wednesday, 6:30 PM, sanctuary

Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, rm 15

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

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

Cradle of Liberty Training – Saturday, 8:30 AM – noon, room 1

Altar Guild – Saturday, 9:00 AM, sanctuary

First Aid for Grief – Saturday, 10:00 AM – noon, room 33

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

J.A.M. – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 21

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

Kids' Choir Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:20 – 11:50 AM, rm 15

Upcoming Events

You can be a First Responder for Grief The First Aid for Grief workshop prepares Christians to be Good Samaritans during a tragic season of loss. We all need to be better educated, equipped and empowered to respond to people enduring a devastating loss, and to remain with them through their darkest days of grief. Join Randy Doaty, Christian grief educator, as he introduces his innovative philosophies and tools which have helped many others find a meaningful life following a devastating loss. We all love, we all lose, and we all grieve. Consider becoming a ready, willing, and able First Responder for Grief! Find out how you can by coming to the session at NHELCC on **Saturday, March 2nd, 10:00 AM – noon**. To register, look for the signup sheet on the desk in the welcome center or signup online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-47583956-first>. Any questions, contact Rosalie Lisa at 610-416-8193.

Join in conversation at the next God on Tap. The discussion topic will be, “Other than casually, do we discuss our faith (dare I say evangelize) with people other than those we know from church? If so, why so? If not, why not?” God on Tap will meet on Thursday, March 7th, at Main St. Pub in Bally at 6:00 PM. For more information, email Randy Dotterer at RDPTW6489@Gmail.com or call/text him at 610-306-0621.

Christmas decorations in the church cemetery should be removed by **March 10th**.

Join NHELCC's Fantasy Baseball League. Participants enjoyed NHELCC Fantasy Football league, so now NHELCC is putting together a Yahoo Fantasy Baseball League, “NHELCC All Stars” for fun. It's a very simple setup, and rookies are welcome. Baseball season is upon us! To get started, just use the link

https://baseball.fantasysports.yahoo.com/b1/23328/invitation?key=56529ca1f21f5596&ikey=5a2571f5125c787e&soc_src=app-sh.

Any questions about the league, contact Patrick Lucas at pat52376@yahoo.com, or messaged Pat in the NHELC player's fantasy football league through Sleeper (BirdBrainz).

Time to order lilies for Easter. Order forms are available on the desk in the Welcome Center. Order forms, along with payment are **due March 3rd**. Orders may be placed in the offering plate, dropped in the mail slot in the outside door leading into Fellowship Hall, or mail to the church.

NHELC's annual Spaghetti Dinner is on Saturday, March 16th, 4:00 – 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. This all-you-can-eat dinner includes spaghetti with homemade meatballs and sauce, homemade bread, salad, drink, Pizzelle and ice cream. BYOB. Adults – \$14.00, Seniors – \$11.00, children ages 7 -12 years-old – \$7.00 and children 6 years-old and younger – free. Meals are available for dine in or take out.

The NHELC Book Club is reading *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards. You are invited to join in the discussion of this book on **Tuesday, April 2nd**, at 6:30 PM at the Plaza Azteca in Greshville. Any questions, contact Sharon Tracey.

Reconciling in Christ update: The core team would like to thank everyone who's participated so far in one-to-one discussions around the possibility of New Hanover becoming a Reconciling in Christ church. The feedback and views of the congregation during these individual discussions are a critical part of the journey to understanding if God is calling our church to be welcoming to all - especially to those identifying as LGBTQIA+, racially diverse, or gender diverse. If you wish to participate by becoming a core member or by participating in a one-to-one discussion, contact Sharon Tracey, Diane Bealer, Josh Young, Janet Psota, Rick Hausch or Pastor Scott.

You can help make the new pictorial directory a success! If you haven't provided your current contact information and family photo, contact Nance White at 610-741-7977 or Nance2237@yahoo.com ASAP. The committee appreciates all the support they receive from the congregation.

The next Marriage Encounter will be held April 5th – 7th at the Heritage Hotel in Lancaster. This year’s theme is “Learn How to Communicate with Your Spouse in a Whole New Way!” For details of this event and to apply, go to GodLovesMarriage.org. Any questions about this event, contact Larr and Denise Etzler at 814-389-2973. **Pre-registration is required by March 3rd.**

Resources

The Property Committee has some plywood shelving available for a donation. If interested, contact Jim Gross at 484-333-5162.

Mental Health and Wellness Millions of people across the nation are affected by mental health conditions. Check out the websites below and the resources they have to offer. NAMI has local centers in both Reading and Lansdale. They offer in-person and online support groups.

Contact Information

NAMI Help Line 1-800-950-6242 and is available Monday - Friday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM ET.

Text “Helpline” to 62640 or if in crisis call or text 988.

PA Addiction Helpline 1-800-662-HELP (4357).

Online live chat offered at 1-717-216-0905 or text

Website References

www.NAMI.org National Alliance on Mental Illness

www.ddap.pa.gov Department Drug and Alcohol Prevention

www.nimh.nih.org National Institute of Mental Health

Grieving/Wellness Online Support

<https://grateful.org/welcome/>

“Once Upon a Prom” will be hosted by the Boyertown Junior Woman’s Club on March 2nd, 3rd, 9th and 10th from noon to 4:00 PM. Any junior or senior high school girl in need of a special occasion dress is welcome to come browse our collection of over 800 dresses, in all sizes, plus accessories. This event is held at the Boyertown YMCA NOW located at 301 West Spring Street in Boyertown. All girls are invited to take a dress or two home for a small donation which benefits our local community. For questions, or to donate dresses/accessories, contact Anita Zuber at 610-367-0686 or Judy Leister at 610-858-6796.

You Can Help

Readers are needed for the Good Friday service on March 29th. If you would like to read during this service, sign up on the sheet provided at the Information Desk in the Welcome Center.

Thrivent members get free money they can use to help NHELCC programs.

Thrivent Action Teams

Did you know Thrivent members receive free of charge two (2) \$250.00 gifts a year to help our church? For details and help to do this, contact Pastor Scott at psstaub@gmail.com, or call him at 610-326-1335 ext. 1, or logon if you know how to do it alone at <https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-action-teams>.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

You may also be given free Choice Dollars directly to the church! Simply go onto your account and search for choice dollars at <https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-choice>. You can make a personal donation to New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church and Thrivent pays the processing fees. It's that simple!

Again, contact Pastor Scott if you have any questions or need help navigating the sign-ups.

If not a Thrivent member, you may still donate directly to these ministries. Go to newhanoverlutheran.org to donate, serve or learn more about these ministries.

Wanted: Paid Assistant Caretaker for Cemetery Duties consist of taking care of cemetery and church grounds, helping with maintaining equipment and assisting with funerals. If interested in this position, contact Norm Hunsberger at 484-431-3622 or nhunsberger29@gmail.com. Also, **mowers are needed** too. If interested, contact Norm Hunsberger at the contact information above.

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. **A sign-up**

Genius is available at www.newhanoverlutheran.org. All Dates are subject to change.

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.

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 on the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at <https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/>.

Meals help those in need Hi my name is Rachel, I am the female director and I live in one of the houses that you so kindly donate meals too. I cannot express enough how much gratitude I have for your meals, they really are helpful for when people come in with no money and no way to get their own food, we really appreciate it and the girls are all so grateful as well. These little things like a warm home cooked meal is really what makes feel at home.

Another note of appreciation

Dear Hanover Lutheran,

Thank you so much for your kindness with helping us with Sunday Meals. You have no idea how much it has meant to us. He's been on disability since 2009 and I lost my job 2010 and caregivers for 13 years.

We might be calling on your Lord's work again. Ron has to have 2 more surgeries (shoulder & thumb). GOD BLESS YOU! And thanks again.

Friends in Christ

Ron and Sandy

Prayer Requests

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

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: Family and friends of Carol Sauder

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, Danny Foust

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
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
Pr. Jennifer Phelps	Jessica Trout	Denny Smith
Verdie Smith	Mabel Gaugler	Sandy Wesner
Helen Foulke	Carla Hausmann	Joan Price
Betty Seroski	Ralph Borneman	Lucille Powell
Virginia Specht	Tom Fleagle	Mary Alice Mack
Jeffrey Weems	Joan Scheffey	Arnold Amundsen
Chuck Beck	Diane DeLong	Ally Musser & family
Rich Freed	Marlyn Bieleski	Susie Moyer
Joe	Lee Wesner	Joe
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With war and calamities surrounding our everyday news, one needs *Hope*. Hope that only can come from a God who loves and cherishes us above all. Hope that is grounded in the word of God and shared by the

testimonies of fellow travelers on this journey in worship together, praise together and pray together. Join us each Sunday for a time to reflect on God's message of Hope and join us each Wednesday Evening for a time to center ourselves in prayer and worship. An evening of prayer as Jesus began, with a time of fellowship in breaking bread together.

Lenten Dinners

- 5:30 PM – Wednesdays, February 28 & March 6, 13, 20
- Soup, Sandwiches & Chef's Choice

Lenten Worship Schedule

- Midweek Lenten Worship – Holden Evening Prayer in Sanctuary @ 6:30 PM – Wednesdays, February 28 & March 6, 13, 20
- Sunday Lenten Worship @ 9 AM – February 25 & March 3, 10, 17, 24

Holy Week Worship

- March 24 – 9:00 AM - Palm Sunday – Communion
- March 28 – 7:00 PM – Maundy Thursday – Communion
- March 29 – 7:00 PM – Good Friday
- March 31 – 9:00 AM – Easter Worship – Communion
Easter morning brunch following worship

Devotionals are available in the Welcome Center, information box outside in portico and online

Gathering News

The Gathering Event for Critical Information Checklist was a huge success. As usual the food was excellent, the fellowship great, and the presenters gave all valuable information. We had 60 people gathered to receive a manual where one or a loved one can find information in a critical moment of health or a catastrophic event. Attorneys Jeffrey Karver and Jamie Ottaviano gave valuable information on wills, advanced health directives, power attorney, and trust laws.

If you would like a copy of the information or for future events, contact Pastor Scott. We look forward to seeing you at our future events. Check out the schedule here or at newhanoverlutheran.org.

NHELC Gatherings – Future Events

Organizing and Downsizing April 11th at Noon to 3 PM

Key Note Speakers on Organizing and Downsizing your living area.

Lunch (free will offering), fellowship & ideas to help you and your Loved Ones!

Please bring a desert to share

Childrens Mission Project June 13th at Noon to 3 PM

A mission project to create pillow casings and blankets for children with cancer and those in disaster relief shelters.

Lunch (free will offering), Fellowship & Mission project to help children

Please bring a desert to share

We are looking for ideas for information and projects in the fall.
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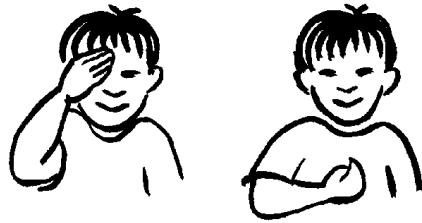
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The Sign of the Cross

At the end of worship, a pastor says a special blessing that often includes the words *Father, Son, and Holy Spirit*. Make the sign of the cross over your body any time your pastor says those words and remember God's promise to always be with us! 



*Thank you, God, for your promises.
In the name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen* 

This week

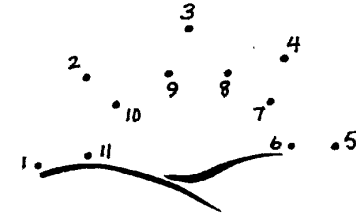
 Make a Lenten cross by tying two sticks together with purple ribbon. Place it outside or on a windowsill.

Kids Celebrate

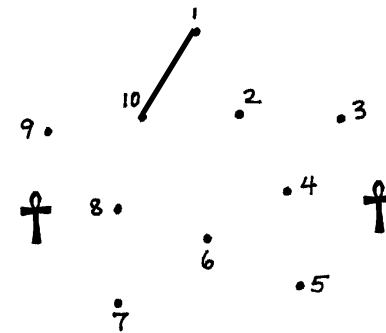
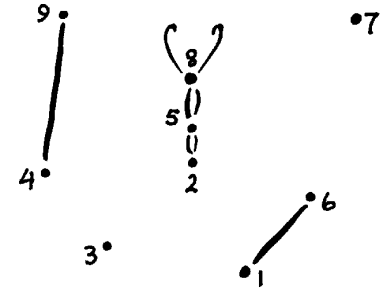
Second Sunday in Lent 

gather

Welcome to worship. Today is the second Sunday in Lent.



The cross is one of many symbols that remind us of God's promises. Connect the dots and find three other symbols of God's promises.





Trust in God...always





Mark 8:31-38, Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16






Abraham and Sarah trusted God and believed that God would keep the promise to give them lots of children and grandchildren, even though they were nearly 100 years old.





Jesus trusted and believed that God would always be with him, even when he knew he was going to die on the cross.



God always keeps promises!

Jesus asks us to trust God and to do one thing. Solve the puzzle below to discover what we can do.

CODE: A =  E =  O =  U = 

T _ K _ P Y _ _ R CR _ SS
    

_ ND F _ LL _ W M _
   

 *What do you think that means?* 


Crosses everywhere...

Look around your worship space. How many crosses do you see? Where are they? Do they all look the same?

Draw a picture of all the crosses you can see in your worship space.




Do you have any crosses at home? Where are they?

Draw a picture of your at-home crosses. 



Look through this bulletin and find 40 crosses—one for each day in Lent.



What is your family's favorite symbol of God's promises? 

The God of Abraham Praise



1 The God of A - br'ham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;
2 The God of A - br'ham praise! At your su - preme com - mand
3 The God of A - br'ham praise! Your all - suf - fi - cient grace
4 Your prom - ise you have sworn; I on your oath de - pend.



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love—
from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.
shall guide me all my pil - grim days in all my ways.
I shall, on ea - gle wings up - borne, to heav'n as - cend.



“I Am the One I Am”— by earth and heav'n con - fessed;
I all on earth for - sake— its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r—
You deign to call me friend; you call your - self my God!
I shall be - hold your face; I shall your pow'r a - dore,



I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.
and you my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.
And you will save me to the end through Je - sus' blood.
and sing the won - ders of your grace for - ev - er - more.

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O Come To The Altar

(as published by Elevation Worship)

Words and Music by
Steven Furtick, Chris Brown,
Wade Joye and Mack Brock

INTRO **VERSE 1 & 2**

♩ = 140

B E B E B

1. Are you hurt-
2. Leave be - hind

6 E B E G#m

ing and bro - ken with - in, o - ver - whelmed by the weight of your sin? Je - sus is
your re - grets and mis - takes. Come to - day; there's no rea - son to wait. Je - sus is

10 E B E B

call - ing. Have you come to the end of your - self, do you thirst
call - ing. Bring your sor - rows and trade them for joy; From the ash -

CHORUS

14 E G#m E B (1st x only)

for a drink from the well? Je - sus is call - ing. O come to
es a new life is born. Je - sus is call - ing.

19 C#m G#m E B C#m

the al - tar; the Fa - ther's arms are o - pen wide. For - give - ness was bought with

INSTRUMENTAL 1

24

G#m E B E B E

the pre - cious blood of Je - sus Christ.

CHORUS

30

E B C#m G#m E

blood of Je - sus Christ. O come to the al - tar; the Fa - ther's arms are o - pen wide.

INSTRUMENTAL 2

35

B C#m G#m E B

For - give - ness was bought with the pre - cious blood of Je - sus Christ.

BRIDGE

40

G#m E B

Oh, what a Sav - ior, is - n't he

47

G#m E B

won - der - ful; Sing al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en. Bow down be -

53

G#m E B

fore him, for he is Lord of all; Sing al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en.

CHORUS

60 1 2 B C#m G#m E

Oh, what a O come to the al - tar; the Fa - ther's arms are o - pen wide.

66 B C#m G#m E

For - give - ness was bought with the pre - cious blood of Je - sus Christ.

INSTRUMENTAL 3

B C#m G#m E B

VERSE 3

76 B E B

3. Bear your cross as you wait for the crown; Tell the world

ENDING

81 A E/G# B E B E B

of the trea - sure you've found.

Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Words and Music by
Rick Founds

VERSE

♩ = 86 G C/G D/G C/G G C/G

Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your

4 D/G C/G G C/G D/G C/G G C/G

prais - es. I'm so glad You're in my life; I'm so glad You came to

CHORUS

8 D Dsus D C G C D C/D G C

save us. You came from heav - en to earth to show the way, from the earth to the cross

12 D C G C D Em7

my debt to pay; From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;

15 Am7 D G

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

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Go, My Children, with My Blessing



- 1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
- 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
- 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



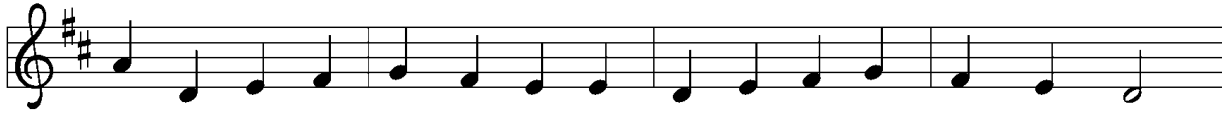
In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

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Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross.
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead



through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.
Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.
he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.
that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,



On - ward in his foot - steps tread - ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,
Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy:
Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;
we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.
all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.
in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.
Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.
Je - sus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.
Je - sus, let me faith - ful be; life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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