

Welcome to worship at  
New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024



This Sunday's image of how the risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the 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!**

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and on YouTube.**

**May your worship experience strengthen you  
with God's love and grace.**

**Prelude** *At Calvary* **Handbell Choir**

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The words of this hymn, set to an upbeat melody, speak of Christ's sufferings for all sinners, and the joy and celebration we experience when we recognize our sinfulness and realize that Jesus died on Calvary to save us. *Mercy there was great and grace was free, pardon there was multiplied to me, there my burdened soul found liberty – at Calvary.*

**Welcome**

*Please rise as you are able.*

**Gathering Hymn** *We Know That Christ Is Raised* **ELW #449**  
**Patricia Nyce, organist, Handbell Choir**

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**Thanksgiving for Baptism**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the wellspring of grace,  
our Easter and our joy.

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Immersed in the promises of baptism,  
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.  
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning  
your voice thundered over the deep  
and water became the essence of life.

Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.

The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea  
into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official  
entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection  
you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love,  
freeing us to live as Easter people.

We rejoice with glad hearts,  
giving all honor and praise to you,  
through the risen Christ, our source of living water,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Look, here is water!

**Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

**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, you give us your Son as the vine apart from whom we cannot live. Nourish our life in his resurrection, that we may bear the fruit of love and know the fullness of your joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Centering Song

*Draw Me Close*

Grace Band

Draw me close to You

Never let me go

I lay it all down again

To hear You say that I'm Your friend

You are my desire

No one else will do

'Cause nothing else could take Your place

To feel the warmth of Your embrace

Help me find the way

Bring me back to You

*Chorus:*

You're all I want

You're all I've ever needed

You're all I want

Help me know You are near

*Repeat from beginning*

*Ending:*

Help me know You are near

Help me know You are here

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*Please be seated.*

Children's Message

Nikki Young

A reading from the book of Acts

<sup>26</sup>An angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) <sup>27</sup>So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship <sup>28</sup>and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. <sup>29</sup>Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” <sup>30</sup>So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” <sup>31</sup>He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. <sup>32</sup>Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

<sup>33</sup>In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

<sup>34</sup>The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” <sup>35</sup>Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. <sup>36</sup>As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” <sup>38</sup>He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. <sup>39</sup>When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. <sup>40</sup>But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Here ends the reading.

*Please rise as you are able.*

## Gospel Acclamation

Congregation

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

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

Cantor *Repeat alleluia*

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

Gospel

John 15:1-8

Pastor Scott

The holy gospel according to John

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. <sup>2</sup>He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup>You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. <sup>5</sup>I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup>Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup>If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup>My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

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**      *From the Inside Out*

Grace Band

A thousand times I've failed

Still Your mercy remains

And should I stumble again

Still I'm caught in Your grace

Everlasting, Your light will shine when all else fades

Never-ending, Your glory goes beyond all fame

Your will above all else

My purpose remains

The art of losing myself

In bringing You praise

Everlasting, Your light will shine when all else fades

Never-ending, Your glory goes beyond all fame

*Chorus:*

In my heart, in my soul

Lord, I give You control

Consume me from the inside out, Lord

Let justice and praise

Become my embrace

To love You from the inside out

Everlasting, Your light will shine when all else fades

Never-ending, Your glory goes beyond all fame

And the cry of my heart

Is to bring You praise

From the inside out

Lord my soul cries out

*Repeat Chorus*

*Ending:*

Everlasting, Your light will shine when all else fades

Never-ending, Your glory goes beyond all fame

And the cry of my heart

Is to bring You praise

From the inside out

Lord, my soul cries out

From the inside out

Lord, my soul cries out, Lord.

## Prayers of Intercession

God of grace,  
**hear 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.**

## Peace

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

Please share a sign of peace with your neighbors.

*The people give a sign of peace to each other.*

*Please be seated.*

## Offertory

Choir Anthem *Christ the Seal of Death Is Broken* Chancel Choir  
Jim Dugan, trumpet

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Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

ELW#884



## Announcements

*Please rise as you are able.*

**Sending Hymn** *Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death* ELW#452

**Postlude**

*Gavotte*

Jim Dugan, trumpet

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*Congregation assembles out front of the church (weather permitting).*

**Blessing of the Fields** *We Plow the Fields and Scatter*

We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land,  
but it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand,  
who sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,  
the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.  
All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above.  
We thank you, Lord, we thank you, Lord, for all your love.

We thank you, our creator, for all things bright and good,  
the seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food.  
No gifts have we to offer for all your love imparts,  
but what you most would treasure - our humble, thankful hearts.  
All good gifts around us are sent from heav'n above.  
We thank you, Lord, we thank you, Lord, for all your love.

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**Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go get'em!!!

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# Announcements

## Today

**The bulletin** is presented to the glory of God and in honor of Hannah's 14<sup>th</sup> and Noah's 11<sup>th</sup> birthdays by Ryan and Lindsey Waltermyer.

**The flowers** are presented to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, Herbert Burkhart, and in celebration of Erin Eisenhart's 21<sup>st</sup> birthday by Janet Burkhart.

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

**Serving Today** Head Usher: Jeff Wise; Usher: Bill Allen; Lector: Leslie Gates; Children's Sermon: Nikki Young; Acolyte: Alexa Moser

**Next Sunday** Head Usher: Jim Gross; Ushers: Brian Flack and Jim Dugan; Lector: Nancy Gross; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermyer; Acolyte: Norm Hunsberger; Communion Assistants: Terry Santangelo and Brenda Hunsberger

**Altar Guild** members serving this month: Deb Solazzo, Barb Eisenhart, Corrine Bartholomew and Judy Sloan.

**The Nursery room** 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 are included. The room has access to a changing room and a private nursing room next door.

**Doors leading to fellowship hall and the education wing** remain locked during the worship service for the safety of all.

**Join us in celebrating The paid in full for the Sanctuary Audio/Visual/Electrical systems.** Celebrate this morning following the worship service in fellowship hall.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the sound/visual/electrical enhancements to our worship space. The project improved the safety and modernized our historic sanctuary's electrical system. In addition, we enhanced our sound system, as

well as adding a visual system and control area to bring state of the art streaming capabilities.

The project was made possible by your monetary donations.

However, the worship and church property committees along with crucial volunteers made the project economically feasible.

Without you and the volunteers, this dream may not have occurred. So, we thank everyone for their generosity.

The capital campaign is still active as we have approximately \$60,000 to pay off for our heating and air-conditioning upgrades to our facility. These crucial upgrades have provided year-round comfortable environments for worship, ministries, choirs, bands, and education for all ages. In addition, our building is host to many organizations that serve our community. We ask you to consider supporting this campaign.

**Geranium orders are due today.** Help decorate the sanctuary on Pentecost with red geraniums. Order forms are available on the desk in the welcome center. The suggested donation is \$5.50 for a single geranium and \$20 for a 10” pot with three geraniums.

## 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

**AVEL Debt Retirement Celebration** – Today, 10:00 AM, room 1

**J.A.M.** – 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

**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

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

**Chancel Choir Rehearsal** – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 PM, rm 15

**Property** – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 30

**Staff** – Thursday, 10:00 AM, room 15

**God on Tap** – Thursday, 6:00 PM, Main Street Pub in Bally

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

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**Gathering of Daughters** – Next Sunday, 2 – 4 PM, rooms 1, 11

## **Upcoming Events**

**The next Gathering event, a Childrens Mission Project,** will be held on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, from noon to 3 PM.

**Registration for the Gathering of Daughters is due today.** The gathering for ladies and daughters will be held on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, beginning at noon with a Cinco de Mayo themed lunch and fellowship. We will have a taco bar, macaroni and cheese, applesauce and desserts. Come for a fun afternoon of Cinco de Mayo themed activities and crafts. A sign-up sheet is on the desk in the welcome center or you can sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-48742324-gathering>. There is no charge for attending but everyone is asked to participate in the service project by bringing diapers and/or baby wipes to be distributed to local families in need through the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. If you have any questions about this event, contact Jean Moser at 610-367-0342.

**Cemetery Clean Up** If you have Easter decorations on your loved ones' gravesites, please remove the decorations by Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**2024 Scuba Kids Camp June 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 9 AM – Noon** This year for Kids Camp we are going to dive into friendship with God. Signups are now open for NHELCC's 2024 Scuba Kids Camp. Kids will sing and dance, do crafts, hear stories, have snacks and play games! Adult and youth helpers are needed to

make this camp a success. Campers should be Pre-K – Rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders and up can be Junior Counselors. You may sign up at [vbspro.events/p/8afc23](https://vbspro.events/p/8afc23) or go to the information desk in the Welcome Center for blank sign-up forms.

**Camp Falckner**, an overnight camp in the picnic grove, will be held Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, - Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. All youth who will have finished 5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade by the end of the school year are welcome to attend. Registration is now open! Forms can be found in the Welcome Center or on the church website. Online registration is also an option. Questions? Reach out to Lindsey Waltermeyer.

**325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Communion Wine Naming Contest** A special batch of wine has been created and sponsored by Doug and Bette Senne for our 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this congregation. Marsha and I helped in various stages and now is the time to name the wine! I am inviting all to participate in the naming of the wine. Send me your creative name in a written submission for the wine by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. You may drop off in the church office. Send via postal mail or email me at [psstaub@gmail.com](mailto:psstaub@gmail.com). The winner will receive a bottle of the wine with their creative label. Submit your suggestion as “The 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Wine’s name should be \_\_\_\_\_ . Suggested label color(s) and/or additional artwork to be included.

**The NHELK Book Club** is reading *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. You are invited to join the discussion of this book on Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM at the Plaza Azteca in Greshville. Any questions, contact Sharon Tracey.

**Get ready... for a celebration!** Most church congregations in America can’t claim to be around anywhere close to three hundred years, but here at New Hanover we are about to observe *three hundred twenty-five* years of worship. However, to be ready for that celebration we need volunteers – for the Observance Committee and the Historical Research and Archives Committee, which were the teams that prepared and directed the three hundredth in the year 2000. And, we can’t delay. It starts even before the beginning of 2025. We need to plan for anniversary related events and special services. For example, those of us who

were around here in 2000 should recall that our committee put out a special publication titled, “Moments in Time.” We are planning to publish a new edition of that, with some updates and new topics. If you’re interested in working with all these preparations, contact Lee Wesner at 215-806-1807, or [slwesner@comcast.net](mailto:slwesner@comcast.net). We are beginning to have meetings now! **Don’t miss out!**

**Pictures needed for the pictorial directory** Have you submitted a family photo to be included in the new pictorial directory? To submit a picture, email it to Nance White at [Nance2237@yahoo.com](mailto:Nance2237@yahoo.com) ASAP. Or, drop off your photo in an envelope in Nance’s mailbox in the Archive room. Be sure to include all the names of those in the photo.

**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.

**The Pottstown CROP HUNGER WALK and fun run** hosted by Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities will be held on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 PM at the Hill School. This one mile or 5K event will raise awareness and funds for local and global food security. To participate or to donate, go to [pottstowncluster.org/pottstowncrophungerwalk2024](http://pottstowncluster.org/pottstowncrophungerwalk2024). Questions, email [communications@pottstowncluster.org](mailto:communications@pottstowncluster.org) or call 610-970-5995.

## Resources

**The Peer Support Ministry** webpage on the church’s website ([newhanoverlutheran.org](http://newhanoverlutheran.org)) has recently been updated with resources for mental health and wellness. Visit the webpage for information.

**Mental Health and Wellness** Millions of people across the nation are affected by mental health conditions. NAMI has local centers in both Reading and Lansdale. They offer in-person and online support groups. NHELHC has links with helpful information available on our website ([newhanoverlutheran.org](http://newhanoverlutheran.org)) or contact NAMI Helpline or PA Addiction Helpline directly.

**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

## You Can Help

You can donate to NHELHC ministry electronically. Simply point your smartphone camera at one of the QR codes below and follow the link.

### Tithe.ly QR Code



### Simply Giving QR Code



**NHELHC is collecting** non-perishable food items and full sized personal hygiene items throughout the months of April, May and June. Donations will be distributed through the Pottstown Cluster. Collection boxes are located in the welcome center, fellowship hall and multi-purpose room. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

**Mowers are needed to maintain the church grounds and cemetery.** If interested in this position, contact Norm Hunsberger at 484-431-3622 or [nhunsberger29@gmail.com](mailto:nhunsberger29@gmail.com).

**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](http://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](mailto:omiweidner@gmail.com) or 484-929-5958 if you can help.

## **Food Ministry**

**More than 175,000 meals have been delivered!** NHELCL'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** Dear pastor. I write this thanking you all for the hard work you put into making all the meals you prepare for unity. We are very fortunate and grateful for all time you all put into everything. Thank you so much. Dylan S.

### **Another note of appreciation**

Hello, I just want to take this time to thank you and the lady's that take the time out of each week to make our house at 367 chestnut, the delicious meals. We can't explain how grateful we are for you and the lady's at the church to do that for all the men and women each week. It truly is a blessing and we appreciate it so very much. Thank you, The women at 367 chestnut st.



## Prayer Requests

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

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: family and friends of Susie Moyer

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	Mary Alice Mack	Jeffrey Weems
Joan Scheffey	Arnold Amundsen	Chuck Beck
Diane DeLong	Ally Musser & family	Rich Freed
Marlyn Bieleski	Joe	Lee Wesner
Joe	Casey Flack	Pastor Ric Elliot
Charla & Herbert Vandegrift		

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# Treat Mom for Mothers' Day and Support the Youth

Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

## Pancake Breakfast

7:30 – 11:00 AM

Fellowship Hall

NHELCS's Scouts BSA Troop 367 will host the pancake breakfast. Enjoy a hearty breakfast including pancakes and sausage with an optional addition of "Deluxe" toppings.



### Suggested Donation

\$10 for ages 11 and up

\$8 for ages 5-10

Free for ages 4 and under

Add \$2 for Fresh Fruit / Whipped Cream / Chocolate Chips.

## Car Wash

8:30 – 11:30 AM

Parking Lot

NHELCS's Flutter youth group will host this event.

A free-will donation will be received to help fund the youth activities.



## **Mission Service Disciple's Stories**

### **Self Esteem & Dignity Delivered**

NHELC aided in the delivery of over \$750,000 of Hygiene and household goods during the past three months. What started as a \$250.00 Thrivent Action Team to deliver personal hygiene products to Veterans in need, manifested in the pickup and delivery of tons of personal hygiene, paper household goods and pull ups for all ages.

Together with the Veterans Coalition of PA (VCOP), NHELC team members distributed the much-needed products that bring dignity, self-esteem most important, SMILES to many souls. The program reaches area schools, churches, homeless tent cities and family shelters.

In addition, over ten area shelters and pantries received everything from deodorant, pull ups, wipes, paper towels, and hygiene products. It didn't take much, the spark started with a Thrivent Action Team and a few conversations. Together with a major manufacturer, Chosen 300, Opportunity House, Keystone Military Families, VALOR, OLIVET (Girls & Boys Club), and our fabulous giving NHELC volunteers.

Sometimes it all starts with a simple act of generosity or conversation. I was told once; Discipleship is like one beggar telling another beggar where to get a loaf of bread. Martin Luther's last words spoken says it all, "We are all beggars, this is true". We are all beggars helping and loving our neighbors. If you would like to know more about Mission Service projects, contact the Pastor.

### **Get Well Cards**

Get well cards for Pastor Ric Elliot can be mailed to the address below.

267 Country Club Drive  
Telford, PA 18969

# Send

## Jesus hears our prayers

Jesus hears all of our prayers. Prayers of thanks, prayers for ourselves, prayers for others, and “I’m Sorry” prayers.

**What are your prayers today? Write or draw them here.**



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

## This week

Do something different with your family each night of the week. Take turns deciding what that will be.

# Kids Celebrate

Fifth Sunday of Easter



## gather

**Welcome to worship.** Today is the fifth Sunday of Easter. Look at all the people sitting around you. They are all very different, they all enjoy doing different things, and God loves each of them.

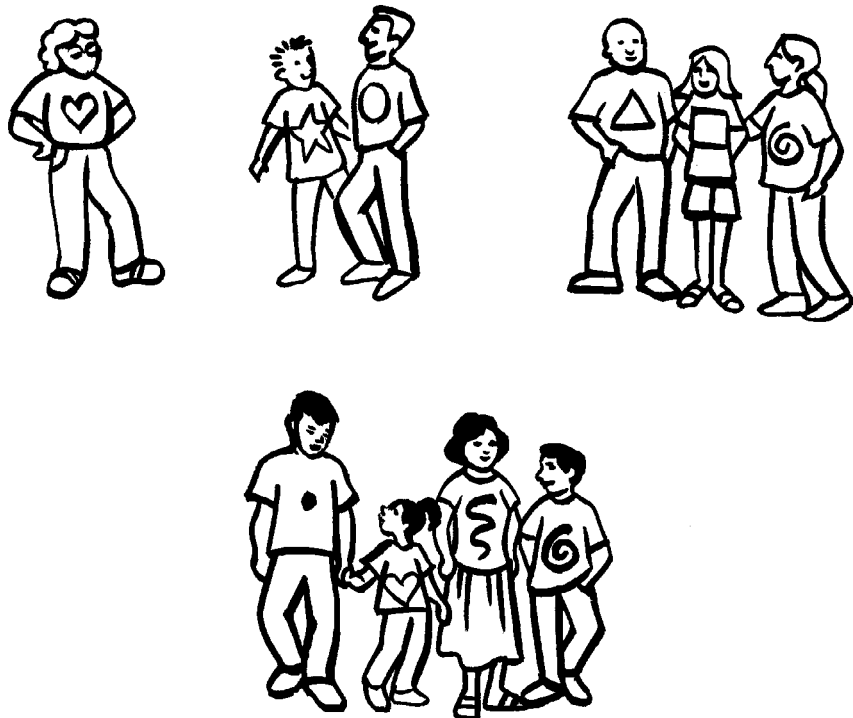


**Connect the people with something that will help them be able to do what they enjoy doing.**

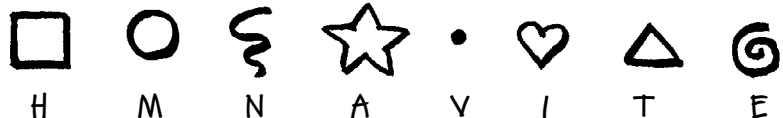
## Jesus is the true vine

John 15:1-8

Jesus taught his disciples many things when he was with them.



Match the shapes below to the shapes on the people's shirts above, then write that shape's letter below the person. With all the letters written, find out what Jesus said about himself.



## Healthy vine, healthy fruit

Fruit cannot grow unless it is connected to a vine.

Fill this vine with all kinds of healthy fruit.



Celebrate the differences of every person in your family.

# We Know That Christ Is Raised



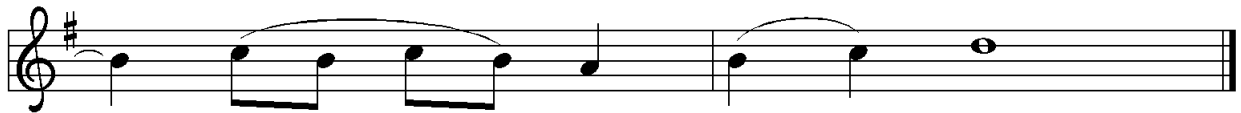
1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.  
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.  
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows



Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,  
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,  
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.  
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.  
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.  
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:



Hal - le - lu - jah!

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# Draw Me Close

Words and Music by  
Kelly Carpenter

## VERSE

♩ = 70

B $\flat$

E $\flat$ /B $\flat$

F/B $\flat$

B $\flat$



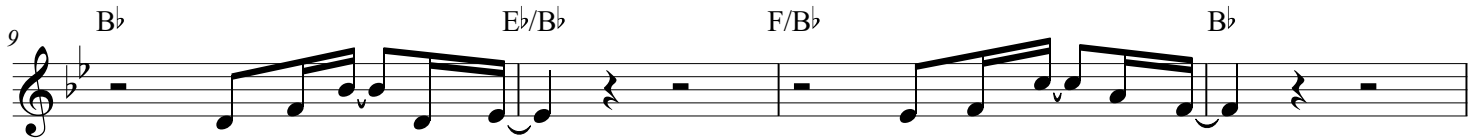
Draw me close to You.

Nev - er let me go.



I lay it all down a - gain

to hear You say that I'm Your friend.



You are my de - sire.

No one else will do,



'cause noth - ing else could take Your place

To feel the warmth of Your



em - brace.

Help me find the way.

Bring me back to You.

## CHORUS

B $\flat$   
%

F/B $\flat$

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

B $\flat$

F/A

E $\flat$ 2/G

F7sus

F7



You're all I want.

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

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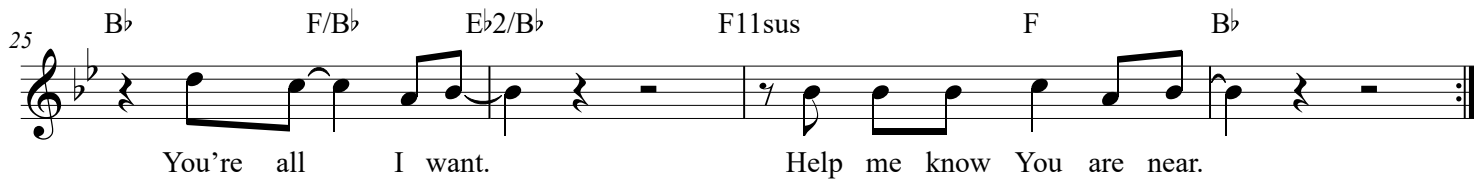
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25 B $\flat$  F/B $\flat$  E $\flat$ 2/B $\flat$  F11sus F B $\flat$

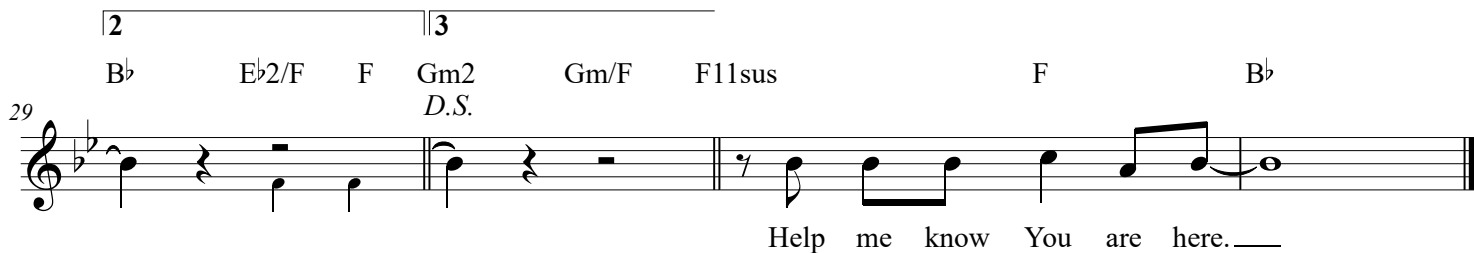


You're all I want. Help me know You are near.

**ENDING**

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

*D.S.*



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

# From The Inside Out

Words and Music by  
Joel Houston

## VERSE 1

$\text{♩} = 76$



F C G

1. A thou - sand times I've failed, still Your mer - cy re - mains. And should I

3



F C G Am F

stum - ble a - gain, still, I'm caught in Your grace. Ev - er - last - ing, Your light will shine when

## INSTRUMENTAL 1

6



C G Am F C G F C G

all else fades. Nev - er end - ing, Your glo - ry goes be - yond all fame.

## VERSE 2

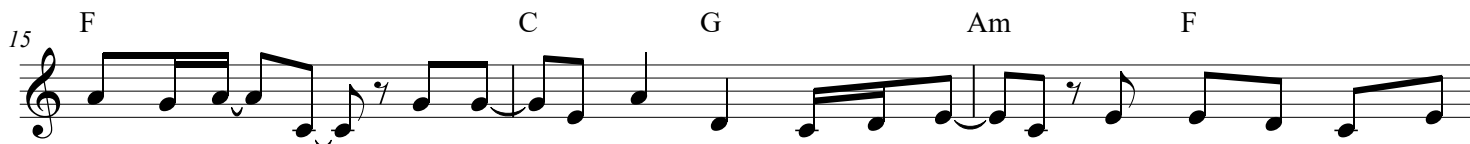
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F C G F C G

2. Your will, a - bove all else, my pur - pose re - mains. The art of

15

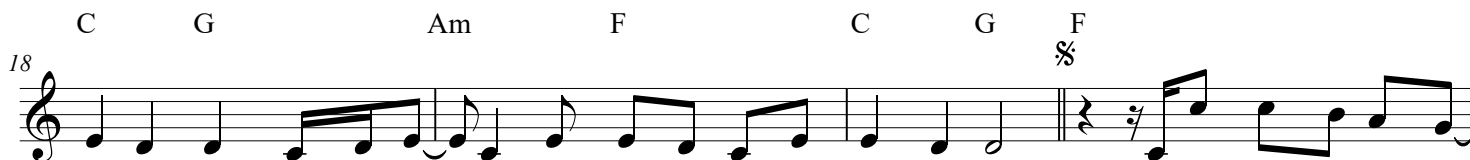


F C G Am F

los - ing my - self in bring - ing You praise. Ev - er - last - ing, Your light will shine when

## CHORUS 1

18



C G Am F C G F

all else fades. Nev - er end - ing, Your glo - ry goes be - yond all fame. In my heart, in my soul,

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22 C Am G F

Lord, I give You con - trol. Con - sume me from the in - side out, Lord. Let jus - tice and praise

26 Am G Dm

be - come my em - brace, to love You from the in - side out.

**CHORUS 2**

30 Dm Am F C G

in - side out. Ev - er - last - ing, Your light will shine when all else fades. Nev - er end -

33 Am F C G C F

ing, Your glo - ry goes be - yond all fame. And the cry of my heart is to bring

36 G Am

You praise, from the in - -

**INSTRUMENTAL 2**

37 F G ⊕ F G F

*2nd time to Coda*

side out. Lord, my soul cries out.

40 C Am G F Am G

46 Dm

*D.S. al Coda*

**CHORUS 2**

47 *Coda* F G Am F C G

cries out. Ev - er - last - ing, Your light will shine when all else fades. Nev - er end -

50 Am F C G C F

ing, Your glo - ry goes be - yond all fame. And the cry of my heart is to bring

**ENDING**

53 G Am F G F G

You praise, from the in - side out. Lord, my soul cries out. From the in -

56 F G F G F

side out. Lord, my soul cries out, Lord. \_\_\_\_\_

## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow". It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff contains the lyrics "Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all". The second staff contains "crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye". The third staff contains "heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost." The music ends with a double bar line.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

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## Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death



1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light;  
2 To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear re - lease,  
3 There is one bod - y and one hope, one Spir - it and one call,  
4 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save;  
5 For us Christ lived, for us he died, and con - quered in the strife.



so learn his love, its length and breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.  
to give the Spir - it's u - ni - ty, the ver - y bond of peace.  
one Lord, one faith, and one bap - tism, one God who made us all.  
with kind and gen - tle hearts for - give as God in Christ for - gave.  
A - wake, a - rise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

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