

**Welcome to worship at
New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Celebration of Oneness with All
January 19, 2025**



The Sundays after Epiphany continue to celebrate the revelation of God's glory to us as it was made known to the magi and to those on Jordan's banks at Jesus' baptism—today using wedding imagery. Our God rejoices over God's people as those being married rejoice over one another. By the power of the Spirit there are gifts galore for everyone. In Christ Jesus the best wine is saved for last. Taste and see.

**The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor
Nicole Young, seminarian minister
Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry
Lindsey Waltermyer, Grace band leader**

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!

**All worship can be viewed online at
newhanoverlutheran.org
[facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch](https://www.facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch)
and on YouTube.**

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

Welcome

Prelude

Panis Angelicus

Tom McHugh & Jim Dugan , Trumpet

Please rise as you are able.

Gathering Hymn

All Are Welcome

ELW #641

Call to Worship "That We May Connect" Nikki Young

O God who spoke creation into being whose word became flesh to live amongst us, fill us with words of trust and hope and truth that we might share your gifts to us with one another. Connect us with your Spirit of truth.

That we might connect with others.

O God who hears the cries of your people in every time and place, who responds with mercy and love, open our ears to voices of those around us. Open our hearts that we might listen and respond. Connect us with your Spirit of Love.

That we might connect with others.

O God who has known us from the womb, who blesses us with gifts that differ, be with us as we discover and rejoice in the diversity of creation and the many ways your love is known among us. Connect us with your Spirit of joy.

That we might connect with others.

O God who gathers many nations into one holy body of Christ, teach us to speak and listen and celebrate with one another the gifts of diversity that you have bestowed upon us. Connect us, Lord Jesus, by your Spirit that we might truly make the connection with others through your love.

Amen.

Centering Song *Holy Is the Lord* Grace Band
We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great how awesome is He

Chorus:
And together we sing
Ev'ryone sing
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
The earth is filled with His glory

Repeat from the beginning

Bridge:
It is rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown
It's rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown

Chorus

Ending:
The earth is filled with His glory

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Please be seated.
Children's Message

Donna Kehs

A reading from the book of Matthew

¹Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ²and he began to teach them.

He said:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴“Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.”

Here ends the reading.

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel

John 2:1-11

Pastor Scott

The holy gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴ And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵ His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled

them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. ⁹ When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Message

Shining Light - Oneness

Pastor Scott

A moment of silence for reflection

Please rise as you are able.

Song of the Day

How Great is our God

Grace Band

Verse 1:

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus:

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

Verse 2:

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End

The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Chorus

Bridge (sing 2x):
Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

Chorus 2x

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Prayers of Intercession Nikki Young
God of grace,
hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer Nikki Young
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

Nikki Young

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

The offering will be taken at this time.

Choir Anthem

Echo Anthem

Chancel Choir

Offertory Response *Create in Me a Clean Heart* ELW #186

The offering is brought forward for a blessing.

Temple Talk

Allyship

Dee Singley

Allyship is an action verb defining the lifelong process of building relationships based on trust, consistency, and accountability with minoritized individuals and/or groups of people with the strategic intentions to become collaborators to promote equity. It is what welcoming, community, and the body of Christ is all about.

Dr. Dee Singley, she/they, Communications, Learning and Development

Announcements

Pastor Scott

Please rise as you are able.

Sending Hymn *We All Are One in Mission*

ELW #576

Dismissal

Pastor Scott

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Go get'em!!!

Postlude *Love Devine, All Loves Excelling*

Jim Dugan, Trumpet

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Announcements

Today

Today Head Usher: Todd Rothermel, Usher: Stacey Rothermel, Lector: Erica Lucas, Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs, Acolyte: Alivia Singley

Next Sunday Head Usher: Ed Becker, Usher: Bill Allen, Rick Solazzo, Lector: Ed Becker, Children's Sermon: Nikki Young, Acolyte: Ava Hubley

Altar Guild members serving this month: Jean Moser, Jane Johnson, Jo Anne Wirt and Yvonne Peto

The Nursery room is located between the Welcome Center and the Fellowship Hall. Parents are welcome to use the room during worship 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.

Calendar

Worship Service – Today, 9:00 AM, sanctuary and online

Food Drop Off – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Today, 11:00 AM, portico

J.A.M. – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21

TIC Forum - Allyship – Today, 10:15 AM, room 33

Kids for Christ Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 AM, sanctuary

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

Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 PM sanctuary

AARP Meeting - Monday, 11:30 AM – room 1

Prayer Meeting - Monday, 1:15 PM - Sanctuary

Cub Scout Pack 367 – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14, 21-25, 33

Scouts BSA Troop 367 – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:15 PM, room 1

Walnut Woods Worship – Walnut Woods

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen
Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 1:00 PM, portico
Addiction 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 33
Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 PM, room 15
Troop 367 Committee – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 33

Addiction 12 Step – Thursday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 33
Handbell Choir – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15

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Cheers to Us! - Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Events

2024 Annual Reports are now due. If you haven't submitted your report for last year, contact Susan Gutshall.

Flutter is going ice skating at Center Ice in Oaks on Saturday, January 25 from 2:00-3:30 pm. Check for an email with more details! All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to attend. If you wish to be added to the email list, reach out to Lindsey Waltermeyer GoldieLW@gmail.com or 610-772-1915

“Cheers to Us” The New Hanover Lutheran congregation is the only German Lutheran congregation in America to have 325 years of continuous ministry, and the 325th Anniversary Committee is planning a fun event to celebrate! **Fun entertainment!** A juggler with a Christian message. **Fun food!** Assorted wraps, chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, veggie tray, chips, and for dessert...cookies and an ice cream bar! **Fun fellowship!** Bring your family and friends to the celebration!

This event will be held on **Sunday, January 26th, at 10:15 AM** following the worship service in fellowship hall.

Reservations are needed for the luncheon. Fill out the form in this bulletin and on the desk in the welcome center and drop it off in the offering plate by Sunday, January 19th. Or go to

newhanoverlutheran.org and use SignUpGenius. A freewill offering will be received.

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

Look for the list of items that are currently needed at the Cluster in the newsletter.

Celebrate Soup-er Bowl! Mark your calendar and save the date! On **Sunday, February 9th**, the Picnic Committee wants to help you by providing delicious, homemade soup for you to enjoy before, during and after the Super Bowl! Chicken Pot Pie, Ham and Bean Soup and Chili will be available in the Fellowship Hall following the 9:00am church service. The suggested donation is \$9/quart. All three choices can be frozen in their container for future enjoyment!

New Hanover's Got Talent! Everybody is blessed with a talent. What's yours? On **Sunday, March 2nd**, you will have an opportunity to showcase your talent at the Fastnacht Social and Talent Show. The event will follow the 9:00 AM worship service and, of course, will include fastnachts!

Do you sing? Like to dance? Play an instrument? Tell stories or jokes? Recite poetry? Do a skit with a friend? If so, see Patricia Nyce or Jayne McHugh to sign up to showcase your talent. Folks of all ages are invited to participate. It's a fact that New Hanover's got lots of talent! We can't wait to see yours!

This event is being planned by the 325th Anniversary Committee.

Want to be a member?

Please fill out a yellow card, "Your Voice from the Pew", located in the pew rack and give to Pastor Scott or place the card in the offering plate. Check off "Interest in Church Membership."

Resources

Want to keep up with all the latest news from NHELCC?

Subscribe to the bi-weekly Constant Contact communication emails. You will receive a weekly announcement on Monday and a worship reminder on Saturday. If you are not already receiving these emails, you can use this QR code and sign up today using a very simple, secure site.



Do you enjoy the praise band songs? Would you like to get to know them better? This [playlist](#) includes over fifty songs that our praise band has done, and more will be added in the future. You will need to download Spotify (it's free!) to listen to the songs.



Peer Support Information The Ferns Peer Run Respite is a local mental health non-profit resource in Montgomery County. The Ferns provides a supportive and calm environment for individuals in need and not able to interact in other available mental health resources. The Ferns is totally peer supported and allows individuals at the respite the time they may need to recover or seek additional treatment. If you know an individual who may need this service, contact the church and leave a message for the peer support program or reach out to Pastor Scott.

The Peer Support Ministry webpage on the church's website (newhanoverlutheran.org) offers 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. National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) has local centers in both Reading and Lansdale. They offer in-person and online support groups. NHELCC has links with helpful information available on our website (newhanoverlutheran.org) or contact NAMI Helpline or PA Addiction Helpline directly.

NAMI Help Line 1-800-950-6242 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

Pictorial Directory Send pictures of members, classes and group activities to Nance White at Nance2237@yahoo.com as soon as possible to be included in the new pictorial directory.

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

Tithe.ly QR Code



Simply Giving QR Code



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 200,000 meals have been delivered! NHELCLC’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/>.

Reconciling in Christ

Recently the RIC team arranged for two presentations. The presentations, “LGBTQIA+ 101” and “Pronouns-Why They Are Important”, are now on the church website under the Reconciling In Christ Journey page. In case you missed the presentations or would like to watch them again, you will find them by entering this link in your web browser: <https://newhanoverlutheran.org/reconciling-in-christ/> or connect using this QR Code.



Do you want to participate in a one-to-one discussion around the possibility of New Hanover becoming a Reconciling in Christ church, welcoming to all - especially to those identifying as LGBTQIA+, racially diverse, or gender diverse? Contact Sharon Tracey, Diane Bealer, Josh Young, Janet Psota, Rick Hausch or Pastor Scott.

Got a question for the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) team about their journey? Jot down your question (paper provided at the desk) and put it in the box on the desk in the Welcome Center. The team will try to answer your question(s). Be sure to provide your preferred contact information.

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We welcome Dr. Dee Singley, (she/they) for a Temple Talk during worship on January 19th. Afterwards, during the adult Sunday School hour, Dr. Singley and members of the RIC team will be available for questions and further discussion in room 33 of the Christian Education Wing.

Dr. Dee Singley, she/they, Communications, Learning and Development Professional

Prayer Requests

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

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Military: Shawn Dietz, Michael McHugh, Kevin Dugan, Jason Bernhard, Craig Geiser, Patrick Mathias, Steven Kane, William Zearfoss, Will Wilson V, Milton Jack Repa, Kyle Woods, Danny Foust

Peace for violence in our area and nationally

Katy Mahon-Miller	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	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	Verdie Smith
Mabel Gaugler	Sandy Wesner	Helen Foulke
Carla Hausmann	Joan Price	Betty Seroski
Ralph Borneman	Lucille Powell	Virginia Specht
Jeffrey Weems	Joan Scheffey	Arnold Amundsen
Chuck Beck	Ally Musser & family	Rich Freed
Joe	Joe	Casey Flack
Tim Mutter	Denton Quick	David Helfrich, Sr.
Tara Hauck	Patricia Kemp	Ron Seasholtz
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Penny Garber
Hazel LeVan	Lynn Amundsen	David Gottshall
Kate Brunick & family	Pat Green	Paul Knauer
Lester Renninger's family	Susan Gutshall & Family	
Steven Hammaker Family		

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Celebrating 325 Years
1700-2025

NHEL 
neighbors

Still Making History



All are invited to this 325th Anniversary event celebrating the congregation's 325 years of continuous ministry.

FUN ENTERTAINMENT
Juggler with a special message

FUN FOOD
Assorted Wraps
Chicken Nuggets
Mac and Cheese
Veggie Tray, Chips
Cookies
Ice Cream bar

FUN FELLOWSHIP
Bring your family and friends

Sunday, January 26, 2025



10:15 AM (after the worship service)
in the Fellowship Hall



Lunch will follow the entertainment.
A freewill offering will be received.

Reserve your spot by filling out this form and placing it in the offering plate or the basket in the Welcome Center by January 19, 2025. You may also sign up on Signup Genius at newhanoverlutheran.org.

Name _____

Number attending: Adults _____

Children to age 12 _____

RSVP by January 19, 2025.