## Welcome to worship at New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church

# Second Sunday in Lent March 16, 2025



Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a Godinitiated relationship that will endure. Lent provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek God's face again. Lent provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."

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 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

Lift High the Cross

ELW #660

Call to Worship

Pastor Scott

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

Prayer of the Day

Collins Quigley

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

And also with you.

Let us pray.

God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Centering Song Your Grace Is Enough
Great is Your faithfulness, O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart

Grace Band

You lead us by still waters into mercy And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus:

(So) remember Your people Remember Your children Remember Your promise, O God

#### Chorus:

Your grace is enough Your grace is enough Your grace is enough for me

Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob You use the weak to lead the strong You lead us in the song of Your salvation And all Your people sing along

Pre-Chorus Chorus 2x Pre-Chorus Chorus

## Ending:

Yeah, Your grace is enough
Heaven reaches out to us
Your grace is enough for me
God I sing Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me, for me

#### Please be seated.

Children's Choir O How He Loves You and Me Lindsey Waltermyer, piano

## Children's Message

Nikki Young

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First Reading Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Sam Young A reading from the book of Genesis

<sup>1</sup> After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup> But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup> But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup> He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup> And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

<sup>7</sup> Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." <sup>8</sup> But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" <sup>9</sup> He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." <sup>10</sup> He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. <sup>11</sup> And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

<sup>12</sup> As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

<sup>17</sup> When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. <sup>18</sup> On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

Here ends the reading.

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation Lenten Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Luke 13:31-35 Richard Garcia

The holy gospel according to Luke

## Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup> At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup> He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup> Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' <sup>34</sup> Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup> See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Please be seated.

Message Pastor Scott

A moment of silence for reflection

Please rise as you are able.

Song of the Day Run to the Father Grace Band I've carried a burden for too long on my own I wasn't created to bear it alone I hear Your invitation to let it all go I see it now I'm laying it down And I know that I need You

#### Chorus:

I run to the Father I fall into grace
I'm done with the hiding No reason to wait
My heart needs a surgeon My soul needs a friend
So I'll run to the Father Again and again
And again and again Oh oh oh

You saw my condition
Had a plan from the start
Your Son for redemption
The price for my heart
I don't have a context
For that kind of love
I don't understand
I can't comprehend
All I know is I need You

#### Chorus

#### Bridge:

My heart has been in Your sights Long before my first breath Running into Your arms Is running to life from death I feel this rush deep in my chest Your mercy is calling out Just as I am You pull me in And I know I need You now

#### Ending:

I run to the Father I fall into grace I'm done with the hiding No reason to wait My heart needs a surgeon My soul needs a friend So I'll run to the Father Again and again I run to the Father I fall into grace I'm done with the hiding No reason to wait My heart found a surgeon My soul found a friend So I'll run to the Father Again and again

<sup>&</sup>quot;Run to the Father" Words and music by Cody Carnes, Matt Maher and Ran Jackson. © Capitol CMG Paragon; Writer's Roof Publishing; Be Essential Songs; I Am A Pilgrim Songs; Songs From

## Prayers of Intercession

Tanner and Collins Quigley, Richard Garcia, Alivia Singley

Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

## A brief silence.

We place into the hands of God the life of this church, the people around us, and those who are not here today. We place into the hands of God our difficulties and frustrations, and our hopes and our worries about the future. God, in your mercy,

## receive our prayer.

We place into the hands of God the life of the church in all the world, all people in the world who bring God's love to others, all people who are in danger because they share the love of God. Loving God, as you have blessed us, make us a blessing to your world. God, in your mercy,

#### receive our prayer.

We place into the hands of God a world that needs peace, a world that needs wisdom, a world that needs healing. We place into the hands of God the leaders of every nation, the poor of our own and every land, those who live in fear, and all who hold the lives of others in their hands. God, in your mercy,

## receive our prayer.

We place into the hands of God our families, our friends, and our neighbours, those who live and work in our village, in our shops and local businesses, those who work from home, those who are unemployed, and all who pass through the village on their travels. Unite communities of faith who are divided over earthly things, that following the way of your Son, they may set aside grudges and serve their neighbors with generosity and love. God, in your mercy,

## receive our prayer.

Lord God, Your world is a big and wonderful place and you asked us to care for it. But sometimes the troubles of the world seem too big for us. We don't know how to stop the fighting we don't know how to feed all the hungry, and we don't know how to live without all the things that are harming the planet. Make us more careful, more generous, and more peaceful. God, in your mercy, receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your people and draw all things together in your love, in the name of Jesus, who leads us from death to life. **Amen.** 

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.

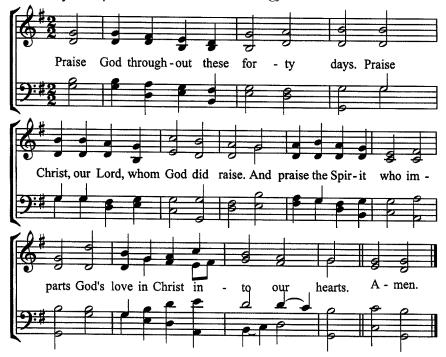
Offertory

The offering will be taken at this time.

Choir Anthem "His Love Is Wonderful to Me" Chancel Choir

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## Offertory Response A Lenten Doxology



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The offering is brought forward for a blessing.

## Offering Prayer

Gracious Provider,

you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

#### **Announcements**

Pastor Scott

Please rise as you are able.

Sending Hymn God of Grace and God of Glory ELW #705

Blessing Asking God, lead me Pastor Scott

Blessed are you who see it all.

The terrible, beautiful truth that our world, our lives seem irreparably broken.

And you can't unsee it.

The hungry kid.

The exhausted mom.

The woman wondering it's worth it.

The loneliness and despair.

Blessed are you who glimpse reality

and don't turn away.

This seeing comes at a steep cost,

a cost paid not intentionally,

but here you are.

Blessing for when you see things as they always were

Seeing things clearly.

Blessed are you who have worked hard to keep your heart soft.

You who live with courage,

fixing what is in your reach,

praying about what is not,

and loving, still.

May you experience deeper capacity

and glimpses of hope,

as you continue to see the world as it is.

Terrible.

Beautiful.

Fragile.

Dismissal Carolina Hansley, Kylie Ewing and Aubrey Woods Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Go get'em!!!

Postlude Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Ludwig von Beethoven

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## **Announcements**

## **Today**

A special thank you to the children of the congregation participating in the service this morning as we celebrate Children's Day. Following the service there will be a light reception to honor the children. All are encouraged to attend.

**The flowers** are sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of the blessings children bring to our hearts by Jim and Nancy Gross.

**Today**: Head Usher: Todd Rothermel, Usher: Brian Flack, Lector: Sam Young, Children's Sermon: Nikki Young, Acolyte: Richard Garcia

Richard Garcia

Wednesday: Head Usher: Scott Geiser, Usher: Georgann Geiser,

Acolyte: usher

**Next Sunday** Head Usher: Scott Geiser, Usher: Georgann Geiser, Lector: Todd Rothermel, Children's Sermon: Lindsey

Waltermyer, Acolyte: Sam Young

**Altar Guild** members serving this month: Nancy Gross, Sue Care, Brenda Hunsberger and Kay Kurtz.

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.

All are welcome to this afternoon's Rejoicing Spirits service at 3:00 in NHELC's sanctuary. The Rejoicing Spirits ministry is geared toward people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, but provides a meaningful worship experience for people of all abilities. Come at 2:30 for refreshments and a social. For more information, contact Donna Kehs or Stacey Rothermel.

#### 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, kitchen door Children's Day Reception – Today, 10:15 AM, rooms 1, 11 KFC Rehearsal – today, 11:00 AM Praise Band Rehearsal – today, 11:15 AM, sanctuary Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 – 4:00 PM, room 1, sanctuary

**AARP** – Monday, 11:00 AM, room 1 **Prayer Ministry** – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary **Cub Scout Pack 367** 6:30 – 8:30 PM, 1, 4, 14, 21-24

Walnut Woods Service – Tuesday, 10:00 AM, offsite Scouts BSA Troop 367 – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:15 PM, rooms 1, 4, 14, welcome center

**Food Drop Off** – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen **Food Delivery Pickup** – Wednesday, 1:00 PM, kitchen door **Lenten Dinner** – Wednesday, 5:45 – 6:30 PM, rooms 1, 11 **Addiction 12 Step** – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 24 **Lenten Service** – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:00 PM, sanctuary **Chancel Choir** – Wednesday, 7:00–8:15 PM, room 15

**GriefShare** – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, welcome center **Handbell Choir** – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:30 PM, room 15 **Addiction 12 Step** – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, room 24 **Council** – Thursday, 7:00 PM, room 24 **Scout District Roundtable** – Thursday, 7:30 – 9:00 PM, room 1

**Box City** – Saturday – Sunday

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, kitchen door J.A.M. – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, room 21 KFC Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:00 AM Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:15 AM, sanctuary

**Box City is Coming** This year, we are hosting Box City, a homeless experience and lock-in for our youth and youth within the SEPA Synod. Volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up for dinner on Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, and to help with a simple

continental-type breakfast on Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you can help with some overnight security as well, reach out to Nikki Young.

#### **Lenten Activities**

This year's theme is "The Hardest Part – Hurt we carry – Hope we find." Join us on Sunday mornings for worship at 9:00 AM.

**Midweek Lenten Dinner and Worship** Come join us each Wednesday at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall for good food and fellowship. A Holden Evening Prayer Worship will begin at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary.

## **Upcoming Events**

The next Gathering will be held on Thursday, March 27th, at noon. It is with a heavy heart to learn the news from Dr. Rebecca Chopp that she no longer feels confident about appearing in public due to the increasing effects of her dementia diagnosis. We are fortunate, however to welcome Ralph Patrick, a close friend and colleague of Dr. Chopp to join us in her stead. Ralph Patrick is a beloved child of God and son of Jean and Ralph, both of whom have completed the temporal part of their life journey. He is the father of four wonderful daughters, and grandfather of three. Ralph has travelled extensively to such places as Haiti, Cambodia, and Sierra Leone, and has lived both in Papua New Guinea and Scotland. Ralph's current vocations include that of pastor, dementia consultant, spiritual director, and inspirational speaker. In addition to spending time with his family, Ralph enjoys hiking and living in the mountains of Colorado, where he is daily reminded of the Presence of God.

You can learn more about him (and preview a copy of his book) at these links: <u>Cardinal Crossroads Dementia Consulting</u>
Lunch will be available prior to the presentation. Participants are asked to bring a dessert to share. A signup sheet is available on the desk in the welcome center.

Spring is almost here and will soon be time to work in the garden! We are excited with the changes this year and how these changes will help with feeding the hungry. You can help by

prepping the garden on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM. All are welcome to join the fun.

Lilies will adorn the sanctuary on Easter, April 20<sup>th</sup>. A suggested donation per plant is \$11.00. Sponsor forms are available in the newsletter and Welcome Center. Fill out a form indicating how many plants you wish to sponsor and how they should be acknowledged in the Easter bulletin. Also, indicate if you will be picking up your plant(s) or if you wish for them to be delivered to homebound members. Plants may be picked up <u>after</u> the 9:00 AM Easter service. Place the form and your payment (checks payable to NHELC) in an envelope and then in the offering plate, the mail slot at the Fellowship Hall door, or mail to the church office. Forms and donation are due by March 30, 2025.

**The NHELC Book Club** is reading *Echo of Old Books* by Barbara Davis. We will be meeting at Peppe's Pizza and Grill, 2485 Swamp Pike, Gilbertsville on Tuesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30 PM. Join the club for an evening of fellowship and fun! If you have any questions about this event, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

**Kids Camp Registration is NOW OPEN!** We are heading North for Kids Camp this year! The NHELC True North Kids Camp will be June 16<sup>th</sup> – June 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – noon. Potty trained preschoolers – rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to attend. Youth headed to 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up are welcome to be junior counselors. Register and/or sign up to volunteer NOW! Go to https://vbspro.events/p/35b361.

**GriefShare Group** If you or someone you know is dealing with grief due to the loss of a loved one, join a new GriefShare group hosted by NHELC. The group meets on Thursday mornings from 10:00 - 11:30 AM. You may sign up online <a href="https://www.griefshare.org/groups/259900">https://www.griefshare.org/groups/259900</a> or contact Nikki Young.

NHELC 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Spirit Wear and Accessories Online Shop will soon be open. We are excited to partner with a local company that will make items such as polos, t-shirts, hoodies and

other accessories available for order with our 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo. More details are coming soon.

Save the date!! The Reconciling in Christ (RIC) team has scheduled a virtual Town Hall for Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 PM. There will be a location set aside at the church, for members who don't want to attend virtually. A panel, consisting of four people from Lutheran churches in our area that have gone through the RIC journey, will be telling us about their RIC experiences and you will have the opportunity to ask them questions.

The participants are: Pastor Daniel Eisenberg, Pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Mayfair (Philadelphia), Pastor Keith Anderson, Pastor of Upper Dublin Lutheran Church (Ambler), Stephanie Jacob, member of the RIC core team at Upper Dublin Lutheran Church and Lee Shannon, member of the RIC core team at Trinity Lutheran Church, Kutztown.

More information will be shared soon.

The RIC team is looking forward to this event and hope that you will plan to join them!

Women are invited to celebrate the 526<sup>th</sup> birthday for Katie Luther, Martin Luther's wife, at the Spring Gathering of the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (WELCA) Upper Montgomery Conference SEPA Synod. This event will be held on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 – noon at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Pennsburg. Presenter the Rev. Dr. Martha Kriebel will speak about Katie's life and what makes her a practical and bold woman of faith. You will learn about her life with Martin Luther and the ins and outs of her managing a bustling household that was always ready to welcome guests.

Registration and refreshments begin at 9:00 AM. Participants are asked to bring non-perishable food donations for the Open Link Food Pantry in Pennsburg.

St. Mark's is located at 81 Main Street in Pennsburg. Park near Front Street and enter through the side door on Front Street. For more information, contact Dale O'Hara at Augustus Lutheran Church (610-489-0417).

#### 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

The 325<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee has made available a coloring book and crayons for "kids from one to ninety-two" who like to color. The book makes a nice keepsake as it contains some historical facts about the church. Also, the committee is providing a wrapper in which you may place your copies of Moments in Time. All of these items are in the Welcome Center on top of the display case near the photo display panels. If you are missing any Moments in Time inserts, you may contact Susan in the church office or see Lee Wesner or Barbara Eisenhart.

Want to keep up with all the latest news from NHELC? 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. NHELC 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

**Boyertown Area Multi-Service** Non-perishable items donated throughout the month of March will be distributed to local families through the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. For donation suggestions, see the article in the winter issue of *New Hanover Highlights*. Collection boxes are located in the Welcome Center, Fellowship Hall and Multi-purpose Room.

**Pictorial Directory** Send pictures of members, classes and group activities to Nance White at <a href="Nance2237@yahoo.com">Nance2237@yahoo.com</a> as soon as possible to be included in the new pictorial directory.

You can donate to NHELC 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! NHELC's Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry is changing lives. And, you can be a part of the team. 1) You can donate food. Drop off your donation on Wednesdays between 1 – 2 PM and Sundays between 9 – 10 AM. Items most needed include: hamburger, chicken (thighs and breast meat), pasta (ziti, elbows, bowties), cheese (mozzarella, cheddar, parmesan), potatoes, fresh fruit (apples, oranges, bananas) and eggs. 2) Donate money through Thrivent Gift Cards. Place monetary donations 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 Serving All and Loving Unconditionally

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: <a href="https://newhanoverlutheran.org/reconciling-in-christ/">https://newhanoverlutheran.org/reconciling-in-christ/</a> or connect using this QR Code.

## **Prayer Requests**

Long-term: Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley

Shut-in: Penny Frymoyer

Grieving: Family and friends of Mabel Gaugler

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
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	Penny Garber
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Hazel LeVan
Lynn Amundsen	David Gottshall	Pat Green
Kate Brunick & family Paul Knauer		Suzanne Dodge
Bill Bauer	Sue Lowry	Dave Pollock

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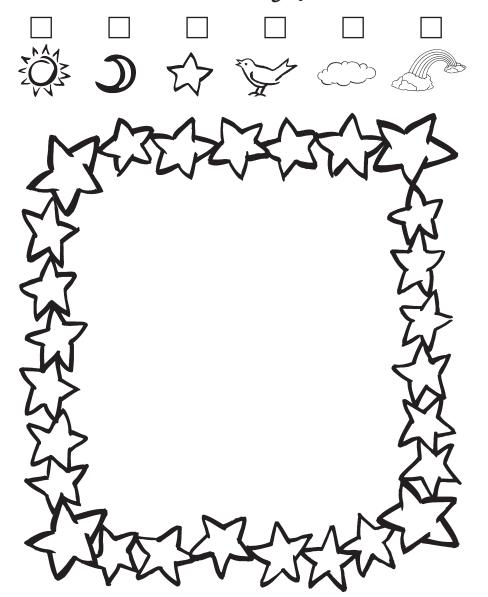
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Look around your worship space. Do you see any images of the sun, the moon, or the stars? How about the sky, clouds, birds, or rainbows?

Check off these up-high things you see around you. Draw a sky in the space below and add some of the things you see there.



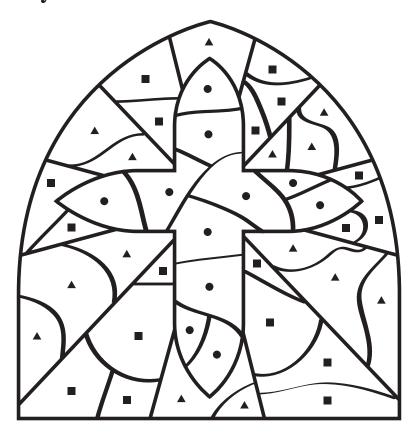


# PRE-READER

Lent 2

- Today is the **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** in Lent.
- During Lent we read about **Jesus' life** on earth.
- The days are **getting longer** during Lent!

Color in the stained glass window to see the symbol of Lent.



Choose three different colors. Use the first color for spaces with a circle, the second color for spaces with a square, and the third color for spaces with a triangle.



Abram looked up at the stars and saw God at work.

Abram asked God for a baby. God replied that he would have many, many descendants. What would you ask for from God?



## Do You Know Chi Rho?

One symbol of Christianity is It is called a *Chi Rho* because it is made of the Greek letters Chi (X) and Rho (P), which are the first two letters in the word "Christ" in Greek. Look for the Chi Rho symbol in your worship space. Make up some symbols of your own using the first two (English) letters in each of these words.

CHRIST: \_\_\_\_\_ GOD: \_\_\_\_

JESUS: \_\_\_\_\_ LORD: \_\_\_\_

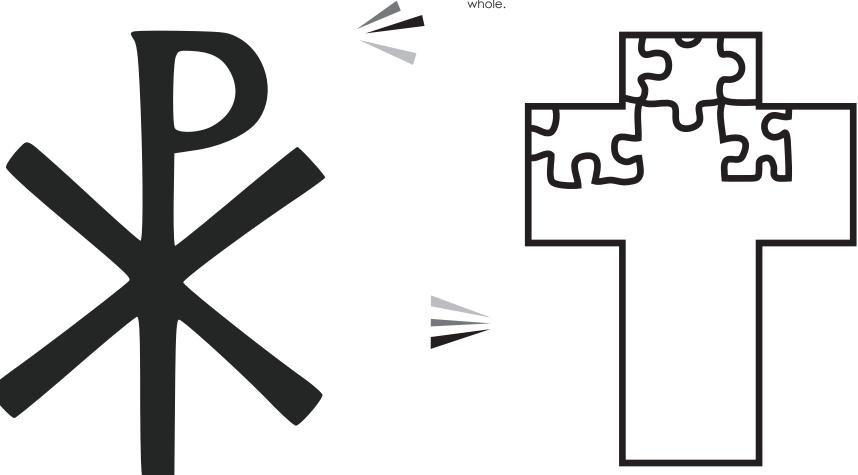
SPIRIT: \_\_\_\_\_ MY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_



- Today is the **2**<sup>nd</sup> **Sunday** in the season of **Lent**.
- Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Easter.
- During Lent we remember that Jesus died for us.

# Together in Christ

The cross brings many different people together into the body of Christ. Fill in the rest of the cross with different puzzle pieces that fit together to make a whole.

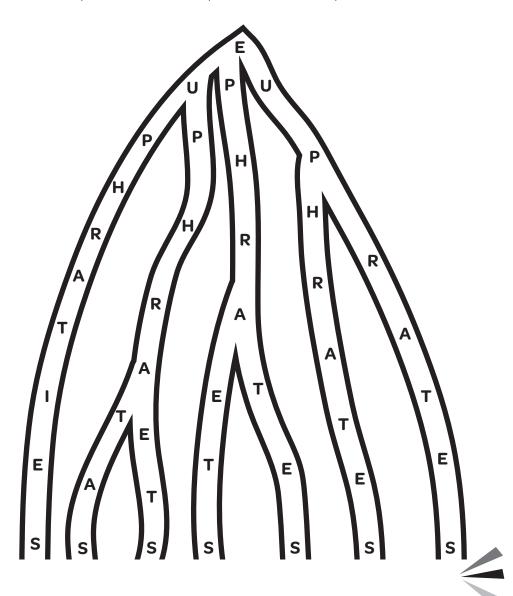


On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."



- Genesis 15:18

Follow the path of the river that spells out the word "Euphrates."



# **Keeping Covenants**

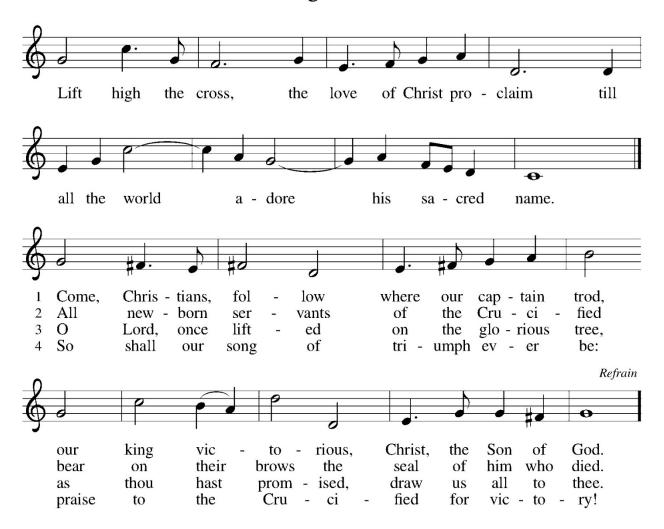
A covenant is an important, serious promise. God made a covenant with Abraham that God would bless him with many descendants. Have you ever made a big promise? How about a little one? Write down some promises that you have kept.





The Euphrates is one of the four rivers named in the Garden of Eden. Read Genesis 2:10-14 to find the names of the other three!

# Lift High the Cross

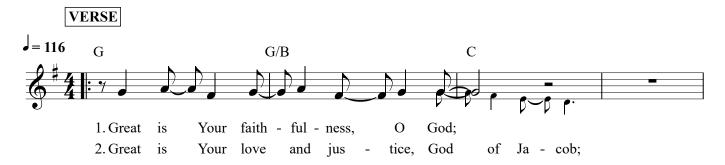


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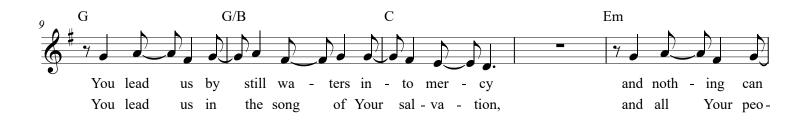
## Your Grace Is Enough

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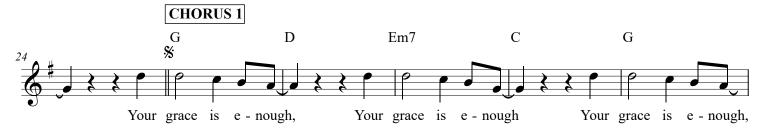






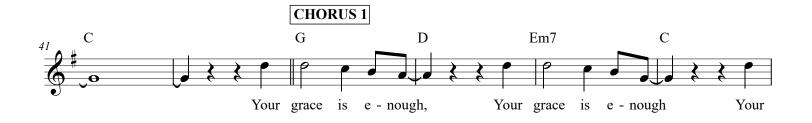


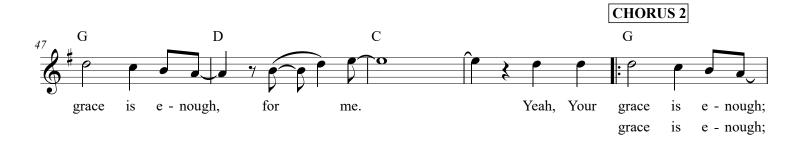


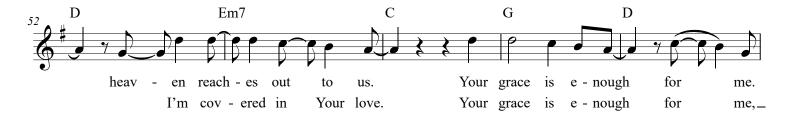


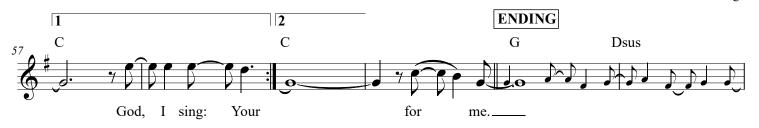












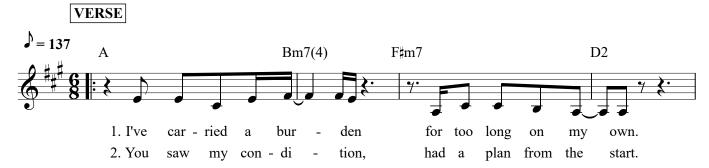


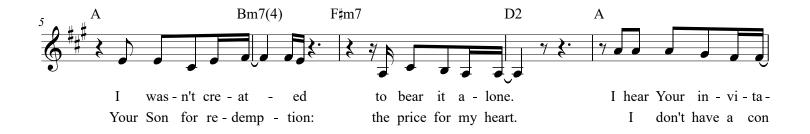


## **Run To The Father**

(based on the recording by Cody Carnes | original key: C)

Words and Music by Cody Carnes, Ran Jackson and Matt Maher





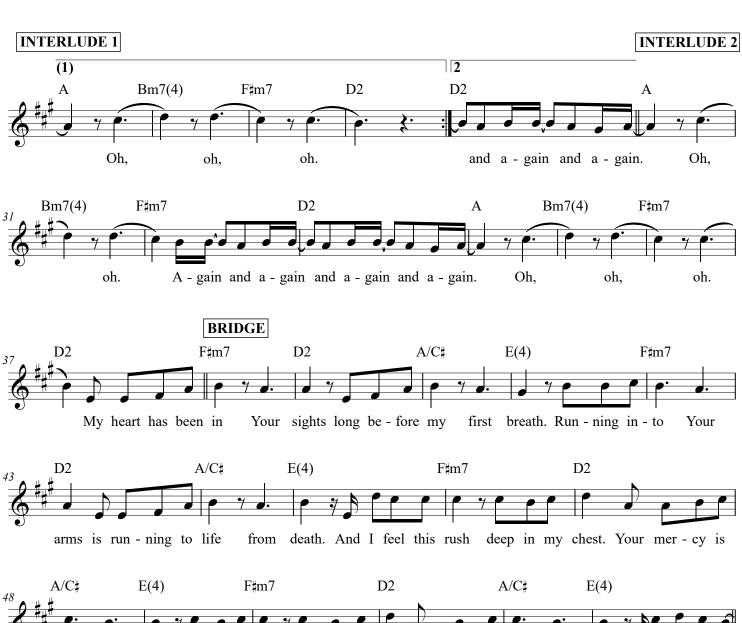


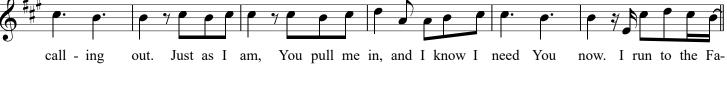


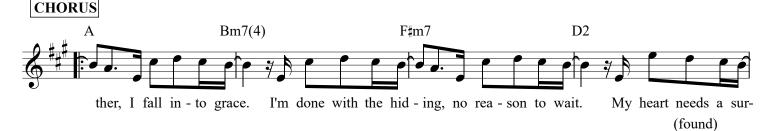




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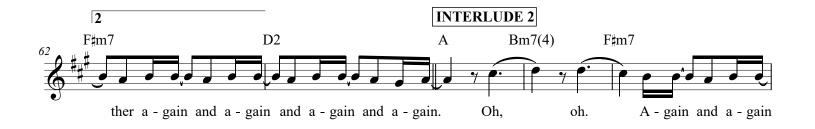


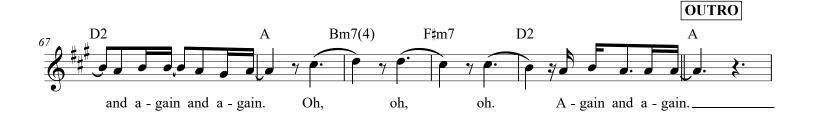






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# God of Grace and God of Glory



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