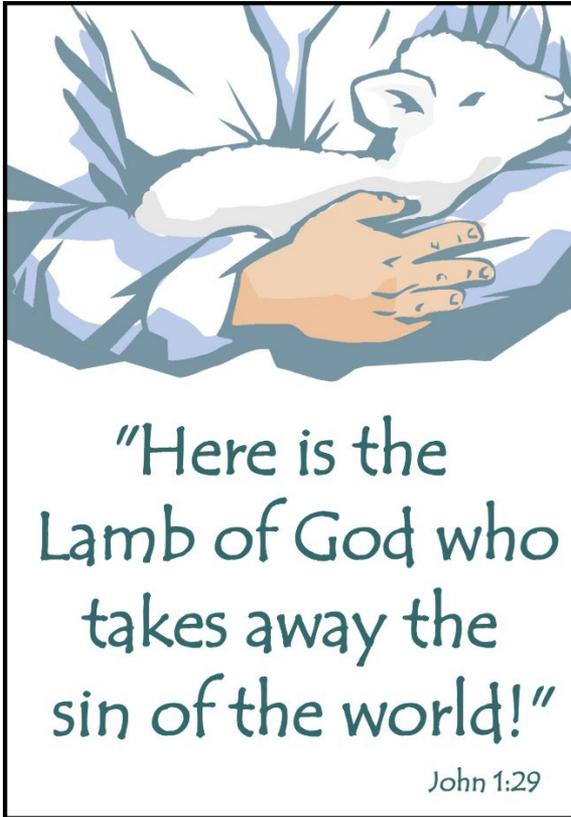


Welcome to worship at
The New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church

Second Sunday after Epiphany
Martin Luther King/Reconciling in Christ
January 18, 2026



“Here is the
Lamb of God who
takes away the
sin of the world!”

John 1:29

Today’s gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus’ baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

**Nicole Young, vicar
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.**

Welcome Statement

You are always welcome at New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are a growing community of believers in Jesus Christ, rooted in God's love and guided by Christ's example. We strive to reach out with compassion, offering a place where you can grow in faith, experience God's grace and feel safe and celebrated. At New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church, we want you to gather with us at our table. Rooted in our Lutheran faith and belief that we are all children of God and made in God's image, we welcome all people with dignity and love.

In Romans 15:7, Paul writes, "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God."

By this belief, we are committed to intentionally following Jesus' example of unconditional hospitality, love and justice. Here, you are not only included, you are respected. We affirm and value people of all races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, cultures, ages, abilities, body sizes, relationship statuses and economic or immigration statuses. We are committed to the ongoing work toward racial equity and inclusion in all we do. You are invited to fully participate in our worship, sacraments, leadership positions, gatherings, and ministries. In our identities, we are united by the common faith we hold, and recognize we each offer unique gifts and perspectives. We believe that this transforms lives and deepens the faith of our community.

Christ's door is open to all, so is ours.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please rise as you are able.

Litany for Worship

*Adapted by the Metro DC Synod Racial Equity Team
From Psalm 82 and Amos 5*

God said: How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked?

God said: Give Justice to the weak, and the parentless child: maintain the rights of the lowly and the destitute.

God said: Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

God said: I hate, I despise your festivals, and take no delight in your solemn assemblies, take away the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let Justice roll down, like waters, and righteousness like an overflowing stream.

We give thanks to you, Holy One for the witness of prophets of old and prophets now. We honor the life and ministry of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and ask your Holy Spirit to guide us in the ways of dreaming a dream and living a dream for your beloved world. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore WOVS #784

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.

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Centering Song *Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly*
Grace Praise Band

It all comes down to this
What you require of me
Love my neighbor as myself
And You above all things

Chorus:

Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly
With You God
In all things, in all ways, walk humbly
With You God

It all comes down to this
To be Your hands and feet
Good news to all the world
The truth will set us free

Chorus

Bridge (sing 2x):

It's beauty for ashes
It's mourning to dancing
It's closer and closer
The Kingdom of heaven
Years from now we'll see
The fruit our hands have sown
Faith just like a seed
The only way it grows

Chorus

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Please be seated.

Children's Message

Nikki Young

Here the servant, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honored mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore

Israel. The servant's ultimate assignment is to bring news of God's victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

Janet Psota

A reading from the book of Isaiah

- ¹ Listen to me, O coastlands;
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born;
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
- ² He made my mouth like a sharp sword;
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow;
in his quiver he hid me away.
- ³ And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
- ⁴ But I said, "I have labored in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord
and my reward with my God."
- ⁵ And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength—
- ⁶ he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."
- ⁷ Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
"Kings shall see and stand up;
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,

because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Here ends the reading.

I love to do your will, O my God. (Ps. 40:8)

The Psalm

Psalm 40:1-11

Janet Psota

¹ I waited patiently upon the Lord,

who stooped to me and heard my cry.

² **The Lord lifted me out of the desolate pit,**

out of the miry clay,

and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.

³ The Lord put a new song in my mouth,

a song of praise to our God;

many shall see, and stand in awe,

and put their trust in the Lord.

⁴ **Happy are they who trust in the Lord!**

They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

⁵ Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God!

In your plans for us, none can be compared with you!

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!

But they are more than I can count.

⁶ **Sacrifice and offering you do not desire;**

you have opened my ears:

burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

⁷ And so I said, “Here I am; I come.

In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

⁸ **‘I love to do your will, O my God;**

your law is deep within me.’”

⁹ I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;

I have not restrained my lips, O Lord, you know.

¹⁰ **I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart;**

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;

I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth

from the great assembly.

¹¹ You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;

may your steadfast love and your truth

continually keep me safe.

following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”³⁹ He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

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

Please be seated.

Message

A moment of silence for reflection

Please rise as you are able.

Song of the Day *Go Light Your World* Grace Praise Band

There is a candle in ev’ry soul

Some brightly burning some dark and cold

There is a Spirit who brings a fire

Ignites a candle and makes His home

So carry your candle run to the darkness

Seek out the hopeless confused and torn

Hold out your candle for all to see it

Take your candle and go light your world

Take your candle and go light your world

Frustrated brother see how he’s tried to

Light his own candle some other way

See now your sister she’s been robbed and lied to

Still holds a candle without a flame

So carry your candle run to the darkness

Seek out the lonely the tired and worn

Hold out your candle for all to see it

Take your candle and go light your world

Take your candle and go light your world

We are a fam’ly whose hearts are blazing

So let’s raise our candles and light up the sky

Praying to our Father in the name of Jesus
Make us a beacon in darkest times
So carry your candle run to the darkness
Seek out the helpless deceived and poor
Hold out your candle for all to see it
Take your candle and go light your world
Carry your candle run to the darkness
Seek out the hopeless confused and torn
Hold out your candle for all to see it
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Nicene Creed

augmented with sentences from Martin Luther King, Jr.

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From Psalm 82 and Amos 5*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe also in a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, with one being in the Father; through whom all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Polite; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe also in a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: “We hold these truths to be self evident that all people are created equal.”

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in a holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

We believe also that with this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope.

With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of kinship.

With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day.

When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God’s children, black and white, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual: “Free at last! Free at last! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last!”.

Prayers of Intercession
Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

The 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;**



pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
 store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
 and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

"Create in Me a Clean Heart" Music: J. A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739. Text and music are in public domain.

The offering is brought forward for a blessing.

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

Blessing

God bless you and keep you, Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in G

Michael Ryan

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Announcements

Today

The bulletin is presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Irvin and Nancy Mutter and James and Georgie Price by Tim and Vicki Mutter.

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in memory of their mother, Sally Kohl, by Todd and Stacey Rothermel.

The Word in Season devotional is presented to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Don and Jo Anne Wirt.

The sponsor signups for 2026 have been added to the sign-up genius on the church's website. Click on the link

newhanoverlutheran.org/2026_worship_signups or QR Code to sign up today. Or, contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at 610-326-1335.



Serving Today: Todd Rothermel, head usher; Bill and Sharon Tracey, ushers; Janet Psota, lector; Nikki Young, children's sermon; Rae Bechtel, acolyte

Next Sunday: Steve Weidner, head usher; Kyle and Alivia Singley, ushers; Kady Singley, lector; Hayley Quigley, children's sermon; Maddie Artim, acolyte

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

The Council will hold a "Coffee with the Council" open informational immediately following the 9:00 AM worship service in the Fellowship Hall. NHELCC has a lot of activities and projects moving forward in 2026 and the Council would like to share information, listen to feedback, and answer questions. Plan to grab a cup of coffee and join the conversation.

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.

Join the Rejoicing Spirits service this afternoon at 3:00 in NHELCC's sanctuary for an uplifting worship experience. 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.

Have a pastoral emergency?
Contact Nikki Young at 267-329-9697.

This Week

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

Coffee with Council – Today, 10:00 AM, room 1

J.A.M. – Today, 10:15 AM, room 21

KFC Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 – 11:20 AM, sanctuary

J.A.M. Choir Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 – 11:15 AM,
room 15

Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:20 AM, sanctuary

Confirmation – Today, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, St. James, Pottstown

Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 – 4:00 PM, room 1 and sanctuary

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Cub Scout Pack #367 – Monday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, rooms 1, 14,
27-34, 36-37

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

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

Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 1:00 PM, kitchen door

Addiction 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, rooms 33-34

Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 PM, room 15

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

Addiction 12 Step – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, rooms 33-34

Worship Service – Next Sunday, 9:00 AM, sanctuary and online

Food Drop Off – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

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Upcoming Events

New Hanover's Got Talent! Fastnacht Social & Talent Show
Sunday, February 15th, 10:15 AM Everyone is blessed with a talent. What's yours? Here's an opportunity to showcase your talent. 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 Nikki Young or Patricia Nyce to sign up. 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!

The NHELC Book Club is reading *Summer Sisters* by Judy Blume. Join the club for dinner and book discussion at the WQ Diner in Pottstown on Tuesday, February 3rd, at 6:30 PM. Any questions about this event, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

Help Needed

Pottstown Cluster NHELC is collecting non-perishable food items and full-sized personal hygiene items to be distributed to local families through the Pottstown Cluster. Collection boxes are located in the welcome center, fellowship hall, and multi-purpose room for the donations. For a list of items most needed, see the January issue of New Hanover Highlights. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

Mission Service folks need your help! Friends, our church has been helping to feed the hungry at Emmanuel Lutheran Church every month. We discovered their clothes closet needs help. We ask for used, clean, in good condition, warm clothes. Also, hats, gloves, mittens and hoodies are needed too! The ladies at the closet are in need of NEW socks and undergarments. Our junior/senior high Sunday School class decorated a box that is sitting in the welcome center for your donations.

Want to be a member?

Please fill out "Your Voice from the Pew" card, located in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate. Check off "Interest in Church Membership."

Resources

Want to keep up with all the latest news from NHELHC? 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 Nikki Young.

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. NHELHC 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

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

Nearly a quarter million meals have been delivered! NHEL C'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

In case you want any information, enter this link in your web browser:
<https://newhanoverlutheran.org/reconciling-in-christ/> or connect using this QR Code.



Additional Information

Facility Use for Meetings or Events Requests All meeting and event requests by committees, members or non-members are to be communicated to the church office manager. The request will include the date and time, purpose, amount of people attending, necessary space and equipment of the meeting or event. Given the information the meeting or event will be posted on the church calendar by the church office manager (only). Providing an announcement for the bulletin, newsletter or social media posting does not constitute a request or guarantee a space.

There is a Facility Use policy, and fees do apply in some cases. In no case will fees be waived. Deposits are required to hold the space, date and time. If the meeting or event is not posted on the church calendar or you do not place a deposit if necessary, you do not have permission to use the space. Contact Susan Gutshall, church office manager at (610) 326-1335, or email her at susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org for requests or information.

Prayer Requests

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

Grieving: Family and friends of Josephine Heck, Donna Evans and Carol Estes

Peace for violence in our area and nationally

Keeley Staples	Logan Conley	Katy Mahon-Miller
Luann Hanley	William Trotter	Kathy Kane
Maxwell Girard	Pat Fryer	Jean Renninger
Pr. Kork Moyer	Julia Hauck	Tony Mancini
Raul Castro	Amy LeVan	Jeffrey Kunsch
Wilma Lahr	Melissa	Mary Lou
Doug Weaver	Robert Ganovsky	Dorothy Bingaman
Emily Ocelus	Eric & Wendy Hess	Sue Care
Deb Matthews	Marceline	Anne Eshleman
Daniel Johnson	Chris Fatzinger	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	Verdie Smith
Helen Foulke	Carla Hausmann	Joan Price
Ralph Borneman	Lucille Powell	Joan Scheffey
Chuck Beck	Rich Freed	Joe
Joe	Casey Flack	Penny Frymoyer
David Helfrich, Sr.	Tara Hauck	Hazel LeVan
David Gottshall	Paul Knauer	Suzanne Dodge
Dave Pollock	Julia Ghazi	Ray Feick
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Patty Houseal
Steve Morriss	Vicki Mutter	Carol Feick
Alice Nester	Linda Adams	
John Sander, Candis Peto, Yvonne Peto		
Dennis and Sandy Rothermel		

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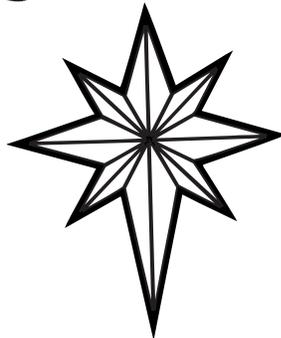
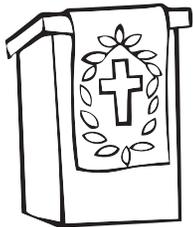
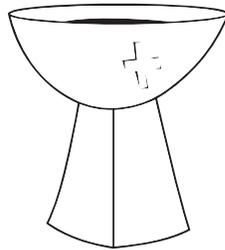
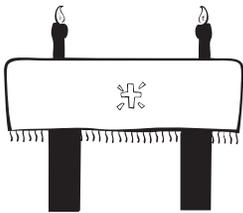


Epiphany is a new season for the church!
Look around your worship space. Does it look different than it did during Christmas?

Draw circles around the things in your worship space during Christmas.

Draw squares around the new things in your worship space for Epiphany.

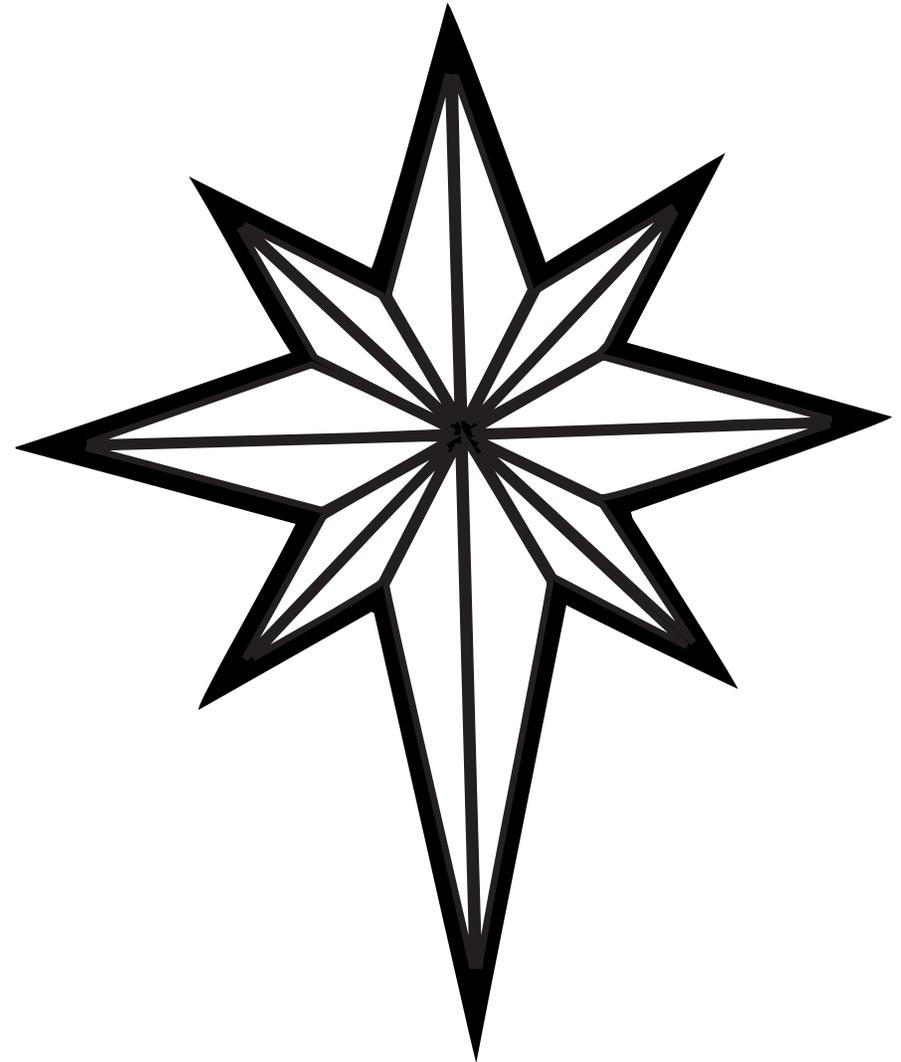
Draw triangles around the things that are always in your worship space.



PRE-READER

Epiphany 2

- Today is the **2nd Sunday** in Epiphany.
- The symbol for Epiphany is a **star**.
- The **magi** followed a star to find Jesus.





John told everyone about how God sent Jesus to earth.

John the Baptist told people all about **who Jesus was**. You can **tell about Jesus**, just like John the Baptist did. John said Jesus is the lamb of God!

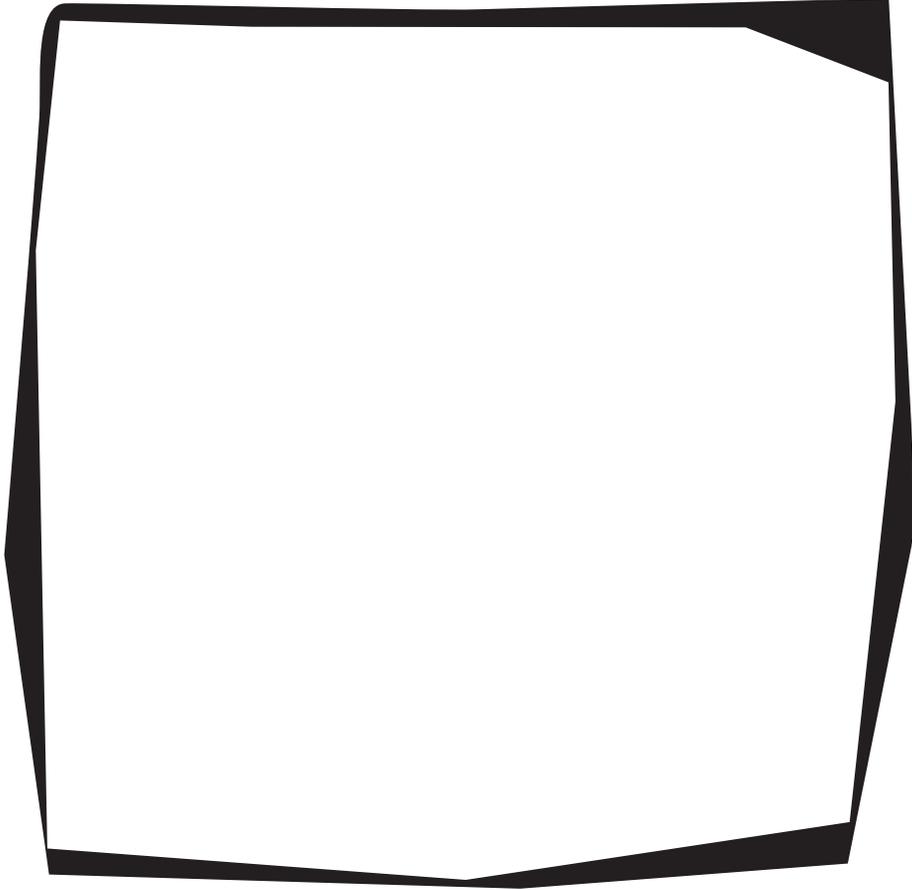
Trace these lines to see a lamb.



It is a new season for the church! When the seasons change outside, things start to look different. When the seasons of the church change, the worship space looks different, too!

What is **not** in your worship space today that was there during **Christmas**?
What is **new** in your worship space that was not there before?

Draw or write about it here.



Thank-You Notes Answers
Gracias – Spanish
Spasiba – Russian
Merci – French
Ahsante – Swahili
Pllamaya – Lakota
Shukria - Urdu



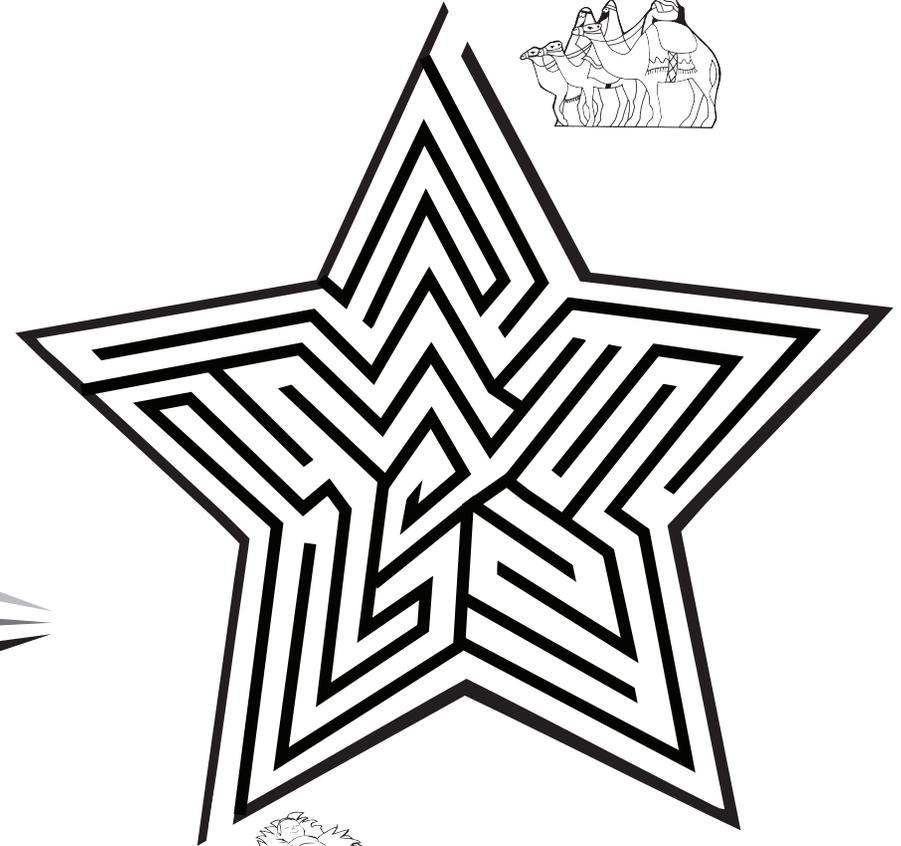
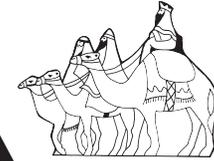
READER

Epiphany 2

- Today is the **second Sunday** in **Epiphany**.
- During Epiphany, we celebrate that **God is present** in the world.
- The symbol for Epiphany is a **star**. The magi followed a star to **find Jesus**.

Amaze-ing Magi

Follow the maze to help the magi find Jesus! What shape is the maze?



Fill in the stars to finish this week's memory verses.

Memory Verse

And I myself have 

and have testified that this is the 

 . John 1:34

The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is

the  of  who takes away the sin

of the world!" John 1:29

Thank-You Notes

Paul wrote a letter to the people living in Corinth. He thanked them for all the ways they were following Jesus.

Draw lines to match these ways of saying "thank you" with the correct language! (Answers are on the back page.)

Gracias	Urdu (India, Pakistan)
Spasiba	Swahili (Eastern and Central Africa)
Merci	Spanish (Spain and Latin America)
Ahsante	Lakota (Native American people from the midwestern U.S.)
Pilamaya	French (France, Haiti, Canada, parts of Europe and Africa)
Shukria	Russian (Russia and Eastern Europe)

Righteous Rankings

Listen to the Gospel lesson. John the Baptist is talking about Jesus. He says, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." That's a complicated pattern! **Can you finish these number patterns?**

1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, ___

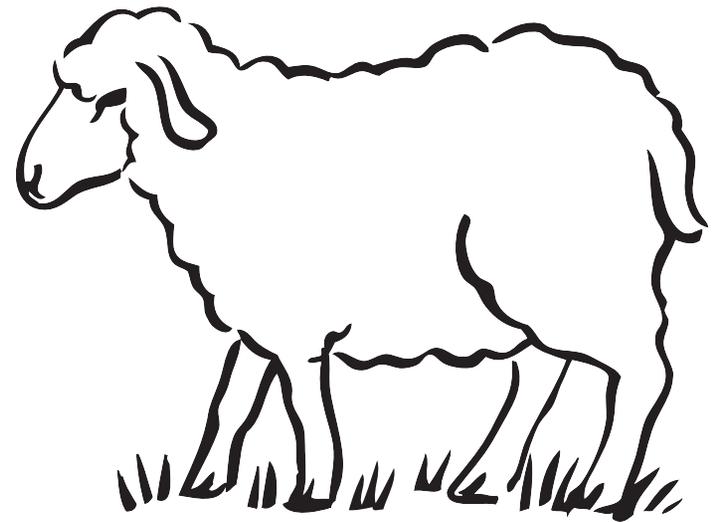
15, 19, 21, 25, 27, 31, 33, ___

6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, ___

97, 85, 73, 61, 49, 37, ___

Did You Know?

A common type of sheep in the Middle East, where Jesus lived, is called the *Barki*. These sheep are multicolored. They usually have white bodies and black or brown heads and legs.



You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

Tú has venido a la orilla



1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -
 1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
 2 You know full well what I have, Lord: nei - ther
 3 You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion, work - ing
 4 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the



ca - do ni a sa - bios ni a ri - cos; tan só - lo
 nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, but on - ly
 trea - sure nor wea - pons for con - quest, just these my
 love for the rest of the wea - ry— a love that's
 long - ing of souls that are yearn - ing: O lov - ing



quie - res que yo te si - ga.
 ask - ing for me to fol - low.
 fish nets and will for work - ing.
 will - ing to go on lov - ing.
 Friend, you have come to call me.

Refrain / Estribillo



Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri - en - do,
 Sweet Lord, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly smil - ing,



has di - cho mi nom - bre. En la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi
 you've called out my name. . . . On the sand I have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.
 small boat; now with you, I will seek oth - er seas.

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Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

(based on the recording by Pat Barrett | original key - A)

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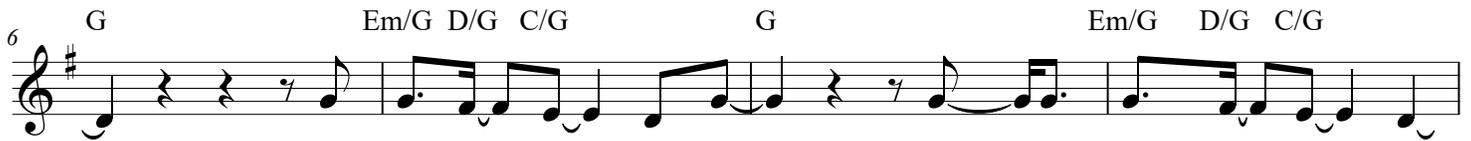
INTRO

♩ = 103 Em/G D/G C/G G Em/G D/G C/G G Em/G D/G C/G



VERSE 1 & 2

It all comes down to this,
It) all comes down to this,



what You re - quire of me: Love my neigh - bor as my -
to be Your hands and feet, good news to all the

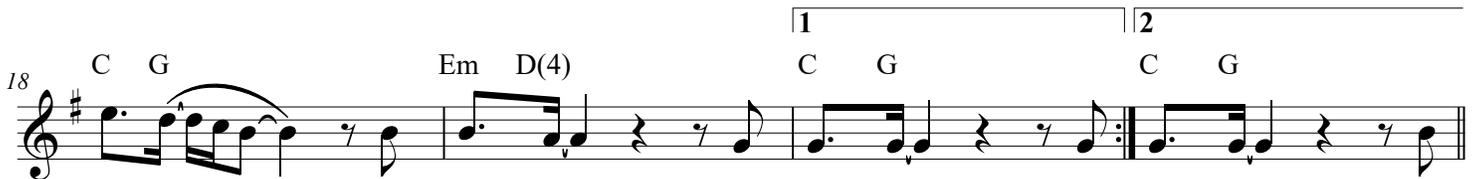
CHORUS 1a



self, and You a - bove all things. Act just - ly, love
world, the truth will set us free.



mer - cy, walk hum - bly with You, God. In all things, in



all ways, walk hum - bly with You, God. It You, God. It's

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BRIDGE

C G/B D(4) C G/B

beau - ty for ash - es, it's mourn - ing to danc - ing. It's clos - er and clos - er, the

TURNAROUND

1 2

D(4) D(4) Em/G D/G Gsus G Em/G D/G

King - dom of heav - en. It's King - dom of heav - en.

VERSE 3

Gsus G Em/G D/G C/G G Em/G D/G C/G G

3. Years from now we'll see the fruit our hands have sown.

INSTRUMENTAL

Em/G D/G C/G G Em/G D/G C/G G Em/G D(4)/G

Faith, just like a seed, the on - ly way it grows.

CHORUS 1b

C/G G Em/G D(4)/G C/G G Em D(4)

Act just - ly, love

C G Em D(4) C G Em D(4)

mer - cy, walk hum - bly with You, God. In all things, in

48

C G Em D(4) C G

all ways, walk hum - bly with You, God..

Go Light Your World

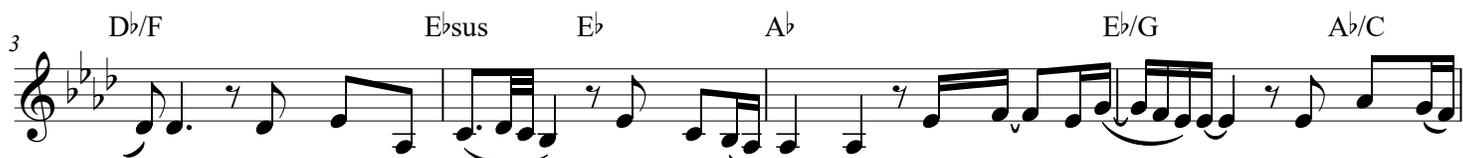
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VERSE 1

♩ = 66



There is a can - dle in ev - 'ry soul; Some bright - ly burn -



ing, some dark and cold. There is a Spir - it who brings a fi - re, ig - nites a

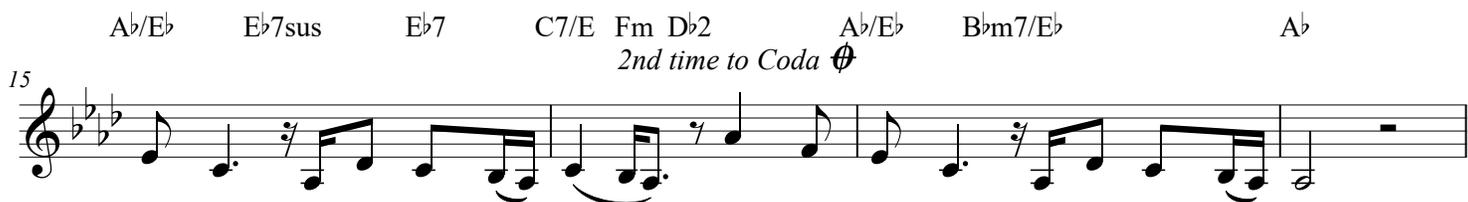
CHORUS 1 & 2



can - dle and makes His home. So, car - ry your can - dle, run to the dark - ness, seek out the
So, car - ry your can - dle, run to the dark - ness, seek out the



hope - less, con - fused and torn. Hold out your can - dle for all to see it. Take your
lone - ly, the tired and worn. Hold out your can - dle for all to see it. Take your



can - dle and go light your world. Take your can - dle and go light your world. Take your
can - dle and go light your world. Take your

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VERSE 2

19 $D\flat/A\flat$ $A\flat$ $E\flat/G$ $D\flat/F$

Frus - trat - ed broth - er, see how he's tried to light his own can - dle some oth - er way.

23 $A\flat/E\flat$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$ $E\flat/G$ $A\flat2/C$

See now your sis - ter, she's been robbed and lied to, still holds a

26 $D\flat$ $E\flat7sus$ $A\flat$ $B\flat m/E\flat$ *D.S. al Coda*

can - dle with - out a flame. So, car - ry your

28 $A\flat/E\flat$ $B\flat m7/E\flat$ E

Coda

can - dle and go light your world.

VERSE 3

30 $D2/F\sharp$ $E/G\sharp$ A $E/G\sharp$

We are a fam - 'ly whose hearts are blaz - ing, so let's raise our

33 $D/F\sharp$ $Esus$ E A

can - dles and light up the sky. Pray - ing to our Fa - ther, in the name of Je-

CHORUS 3

36 $E/G\sharp$ $A2$ $A2/C\sharp$ D D/E A $Bm7/E$ A $A2/C\sharp$

sus, make us a bea - con in dark - est time. So, car - ry your can - dle, run to the
can - dle, run to the

40 D2 A/E E D2/F# E/G#

dark - ness, seek out the help - less, de - ceived and poor. Hold out your
 dark - ness, seek out the hope - less, con - fused and torn. Hold out your

43 A A2/C# D2 A/E E A Bm7/E

can - dle for all to see it. Take your can - dle and go light your world. Car - ry your
 can - dle for all to see it. Take your

47 A/E Bm7/E C#7/E# F#m D2 A/E Bm7/E

can - dle and go light your world. Take your can - dle and go light your

ENDING

A A2/C# D2 Bm/E E7 A

world. Mmm. Mmm._____

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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