

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

**Third Sunday of Easter
Youth Sunday
April 19, 2026**

“Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”



Luke 24:32

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

**Nicole Young, vicar
Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry
Lindsey Waltermeyer, Grace band leader**

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!

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newhanoverlutheran.org
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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.

Organ Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Please rise as you are able.

Invocation

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.

Gathering Song

Trading My Sorrows

KFC Band

Verse 1:

I'm trading my sorrows I'm trading my shame
I'm laying them down For the joy of the Lord

Verse 2:

I'm trading my sickness I'm trading my pain
I'm laying them down For the joy of the Lord

Chorus:

Yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord
Yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord
Yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord Amen

Bridge:

I am pressed but not crushed
Persecuted not abandoned
Struck down but not destroyed
I am blessed beyond the curse
For His promise will endure
That His joy's gonna be my strength
Though the sorrow may last for the night
His joy comes with the morning

Verse 1

Verse 2

Chorus 2x

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Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb! **Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Centering Song *Lord I Lift Your Name on High* KFC Band

Lord I lift Your name on high

Lord I love to sing Your praises

I'm so glad You're in my life

I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

Repeat from beginning

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Please be seated.

JAM Choir Anthem

Down in My Heart

Lindsey Waltermyer, keyboard

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Children's Message

Ava Parsia and Hannah Waltermyer

First Reading

1 Peter 1:17-23

A reading from the book of First Peter

¹⁷ If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile.

¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹ Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God.

²² Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³ You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Word of God, Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm Psalm 95:1-7a

- ¹ O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- ³ For the Lord is a great God
and a great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.
- ⁶ O come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
- ⁷ For he is our God,
**and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.**

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation *Easter Alleluia*



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

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Gospel Luke 24:13-35

The holy gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ Now on that same day two disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹ He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who

was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning,²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.”²⁵ Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?”²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them.³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight.³² They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.³⁴ They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!”³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

Please be seated.

Message – Skit “The Seven Mile Surprise”

Maddie Artim, Maddie Hansley, Malaina Meeker,
Charlotte Moser, Miller Quigley, Landon Woods and Sam Young

A moment of silence for reflection

Please rise as you are able.

Song of the Day *Blessed Be Your Name*

KFC Band

Blessed be Your name

In the land that is plentiful

Where Your streams of abundance flow

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name

When I'm found in the desert place

Though I walk through the wilderness

Blessed be Your name

Pre-Chorus:

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll

Turn back to praise

When the darkness closes in Lord

Still I will say

Chorus:

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord

Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name

When the sun's shining down on me

When the world's all as it should be

Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name

On the road marked with suffering

Though there's pain in the offering

Blessed be Your name

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Bridge (2x):

You give and take away

You give and take away

My heart will choose to say

Lord blessed be Your name

Chorus

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Apostles' Creed

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

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

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

Prayers of Intercession

God of grace, hear 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;
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.

Offering

What a Friend

KFC Band

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The offering will be taken at this time.

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Please rise as you are able.

Offertory *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in there - praise of love that still a - bounds: “Christ has
fore our heart with rap - ture sings: “Christ has
set heart and will on things a - bove that we
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: “Christ has

tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the

an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly

here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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The offering is brought forward for a blessing.

Offering Prayer

Merciful God,

accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love.

In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

Blessing

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Song/Benediction

May the Lord Who Calmed the Sea KFC Band

May the Lord who calmed the sea give you His peace
May He watch over you and me and may His blessings never cease
He is Lord of the sea and He is Lord of you and me
May the Lord who calmed the sea give you His peace
Give you His peace

Repeat from beginning

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Ride on in Majesty

Dorothy Wells

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Announcements

Today

The bulletin is presented to the glory of God and in honor of Hannah's 16th birthday by Ryan, Lindsey and Noah Waltermeyer.

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in honor of Kailey Batzel's 16th birthday by Candis and John Sander.

The Word in Season devotional is presented to the glory of God and in honor of his wonderful, diversified world which he created by Janet Psota.

The sponsor signups for 2026 is available on signpugenius on the church's website. Click on the link newhanoverlutheran.org/worship_signups_2026 or QR Code to sign up today. Or, contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at 610-326-1335.



Thank you to the youth who have created and will be leading the worship service this morning. The youth participating this morning include: Maddie Artim*, Mason Artim, Rae Bechtel, Maddie Hansley*, Sadie Hubley*, Malaina Meeker, Alexa Moser*, Charlotte Moser, Ava Parsia, Miller Quigley*, Alivia Singley*, Hannah Waltermeyer, Landon Woods* and Sam Young*. Please note, the youth with an asterisk denote the members of the Kids for Christ (KFC) Band.

Serving Today: Steve Weidner, head usher; Charlotte Moser, Rae Bechtel and Malaina Meeker, ushers; Alexa Moser, acolyte

Next Sunday: Ed Becker, head usher; Doug and Bette Senne, ushers; Erica Lucas, lector; Ariel Hansley, children's sermon; Maddie Hansley, acolyte

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

A special collection will be received this morning to support the NHELCC Camp Falckner program.

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 Vicar 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
JAM – Today, 10:15 – 11:15 AM, room 21
JAM Choir Rehearsal – Today 11:00 – 11:15 AM, room 15
KFC Choir Rehearsal – Today, 11:00 – 11:20 AM
Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 11:20 AM, sanctuary
Confirmation – Today, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, St. James Limerick
Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 – 4:00 PM, room 1 and sanctuary

AARP Board – Monday, 10:00 AM, room 1
AARP – Monday, 11:00 AM, room 1
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, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen
Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 10:00 AM, kitchen door
Addiction 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, rooms 33-34
Chancel Choir – Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 PM, room 15
Troop 367 – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, room 37

Handbell Choir – Thursday, 6:15 – 7:00 PM, room 15
Addiction 12 Step – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, rooms 33-34

Eagle Court of Honor – Saturday, 12:00 noon, room 1
Peto and Sanders Wedding – Saturday, 1:00 PM

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KFC Choir Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:00 – 11:20 AM
Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 11:20 AM, sanctuary

Upcoming Events

Gathering of Daughters, Sunday, May 3rd, 11:30 AM In celebration of Mother's Day, daughters of all ages are invited to a Gathering of Daughters featuring a **luau with luau themed foods, crafts and activities**. Come for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. A sign-up sheet is available on the desk in the Welcome Center or you may sign up at https://newhanoverlutheran.org/Gathering_of_Daughters.

Reservations are due by Sunday, April 26th. Those attending are asked to participate in the service project by bringing diapers and/or baby wipes to be distributed to local families in need through Boyertown Area Multi-Service. If you have any questions, contact Jean Moser at 610-367-0342.

Help decorate the church red with geraniums for Pentecost on Sunday, May 24th. An order form is located in this bulletin. Additional order forms are available on the desk in the Welcome Center. Orders are due by May 3rd.

Rainforest Falls Kids Camp 2026 June 15 - 19, 2026, 9:00 AM – Noon Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a life-long adventure, discovering the nature of God, and exploring what it means to be rooted in relationship with their creator, a safe place in life's storms.

NHELC's Kids Camp is for Pre-K (four-year-olds and **MUST BE POTTY TRAINED**) through Rising fifth graders.

Registration is now open. Sign up today at <https://vbspro.events/p/nhelckidscamp2026>.

The NHELC Book Club is reading *The People We Keep* by Allison Larkin. Join the club for dinner and book discussion at the WQ Diner in Pottstown on Tuesday, June 2nd, at 6:30 PM. Any questions about the book club, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

Camp Falckner will be held July 27-30, 2026 at the church picnic grove. This overnight camp is open to all youth who will have finished grades 5 -12. This year's theme is God is Greater. We'll discover how God's power and presence are greater than any of life's highs or lows. Registration is available [online](#), but there are also paper copies available in the Welcome Center. Reach out to [Lindsey Waltermeyer](#) with any questions.

The Boyertown Area Alumni Marching Unit will hold their 50th anniversary spring concert on Saturday, April 25th, at 2:00 PM at the Boyertown Senior High School Auditorium. Tickets are sold at Aunt Nannie's Bake Shop (913 Rte. 100, Bechtelsville) and Bachman's Music (38 S. Reading Ave., Boyertown). Adult tickets are \$10, student tickets are \$2 and under age six are free. For more information, visit the band's website at www.boyertownalumnmarchingunit.org.

Help Needed

Local families in the Pottstown need our help. Throughout the months of April, May and June, 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 and fellowship hall for the donations. For a list of items most needed, see the April issue of New Hanover Highlights. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

A special thank you to all who donated during the winter months to the Pottstown Cluster boxes. With the help of a Thrivent Action Team project, we donated 218 pounds of food and personal care items.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Boyertown Lodge #708 is holding a Drive up & Drop off Food Drive to support Preston's Pantry in Boyertown. The Odd Fellows will be collecting non-perishable food at Morrell's Funeral Home located at 124 West Philadelphia Avenue on Sunday, April 26th, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Preston's Pantry 8th Annual Food Drive and Community Day hosted by the Boyertown Area Multi-Service will be held on Saturday, May 2nd, from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Activities include: Bounce House Slide, Joust Arena, Rock Painting/Crafts, Balloon Animals, Face Painting, Caricature Artist, DJ, 9 Hole Mini Golf, Petting Zoo, Food Trucks and Zootopia Meet and Greet (11 AM – 1 PM). The event is free but participants are asked to bring a non-perishable item for Preston's Pantry. Multi-Service is located at 200 West Spring Street in Boyertown.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the March collection for the Boyertown Area Multi-Service. We received 50 lbs. of non-perishable items to help our neighbors in the Boyertown area.

Want to be a member?

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 Vicar 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

Over 300,000 meals have been distributed! NHELIC'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 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 Doris Callow

Peace for violence in our area and nationally

Keeley Staples	Logan Conley	Katy Mahon-Miller
Luann Hanley	William Trotter	Kathy Kane
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We are a Reconciling in Christ Church

Using flowers in the worship space reminds us of new life.

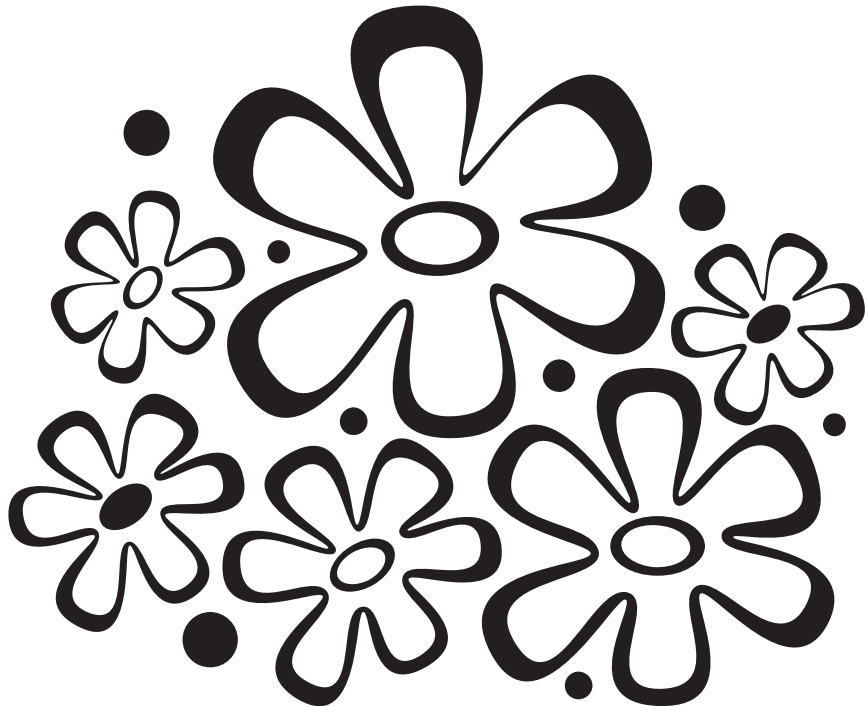
Do you see any flowers in your worship space today?

YES

NO

What colors are the flowers? Write the names of the colors here.

Color these flowers to match the ones you see in your worship space.



PRE-READER

Easter 3

- Today is the 3rd Sunday in Easter.
- The word **Easter** comes from the name of a **springtime** celebration.
- **Spring** and **Easter** are celebrations of **new life**.

Trace along the dotted lines to make a symbol for Easter come to life.

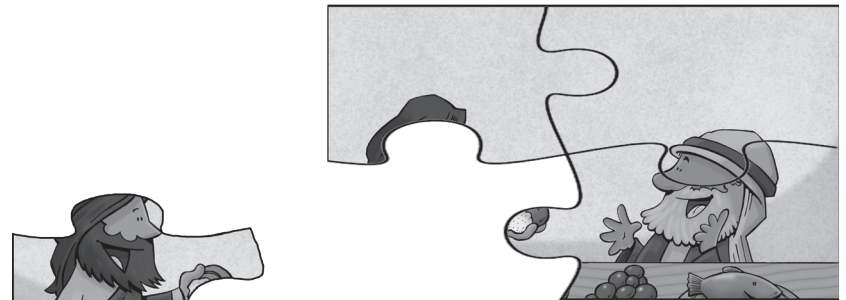
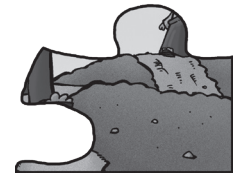




All of a sudden, Cleopas and his friend recognized the stranger. It was Jesus!

Jesus met some friends on the road and they did not recognize him. When they sat down to eat dinner, Jesus' friends suddenly put the puzzle together. They knew who he was!

Choose the correct puzzle piece to finish these two pictures.



Flower Power

Flowers are used in worship throughout the year. Look around for flowers in your worship space today.

During **Easter**, flowers have an important meaning. Cross out every other letter around these petals to find out what flowers mean during Easter.

The first letter is done for you.



FLOWERS:

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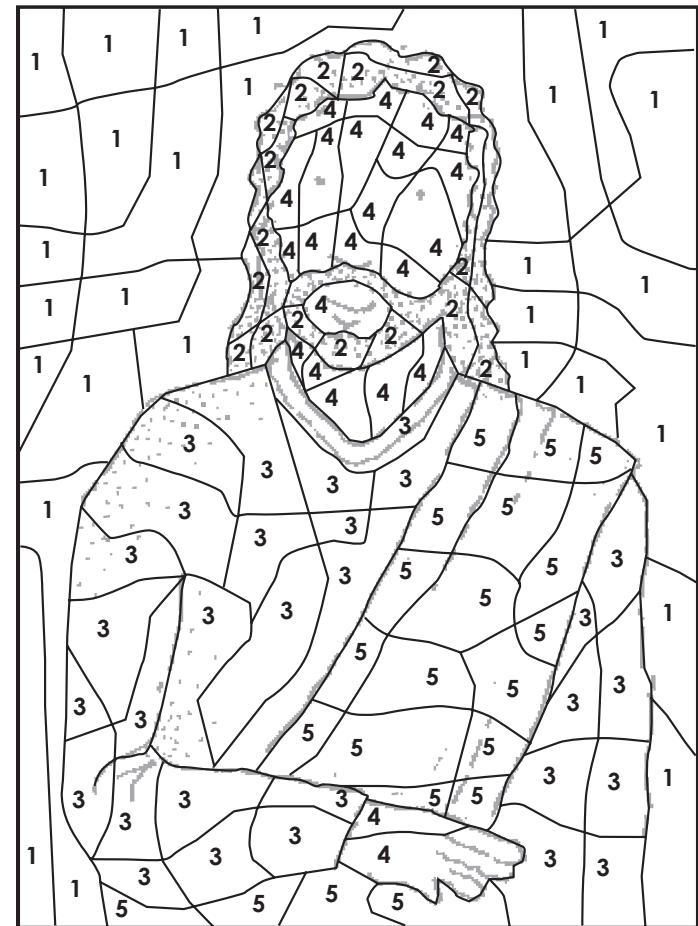
READER

Easter 3

- Today is the **third Sunday** in **Easter**.
- During Easter we celebrate that Jesus came **back to life** and **appeared** to us.

Now You See It

Complete this color by number to make Jesus appear. Use the color key to determine which color goes with which number.



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|---------------|----------|--------|----------|--------------|
| 1. light blue | 2. black | 3. tan | 4. brown | 5. dark blue |
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Some of the words in these Bible verses are jumbled. Can you find them and unscramble them?

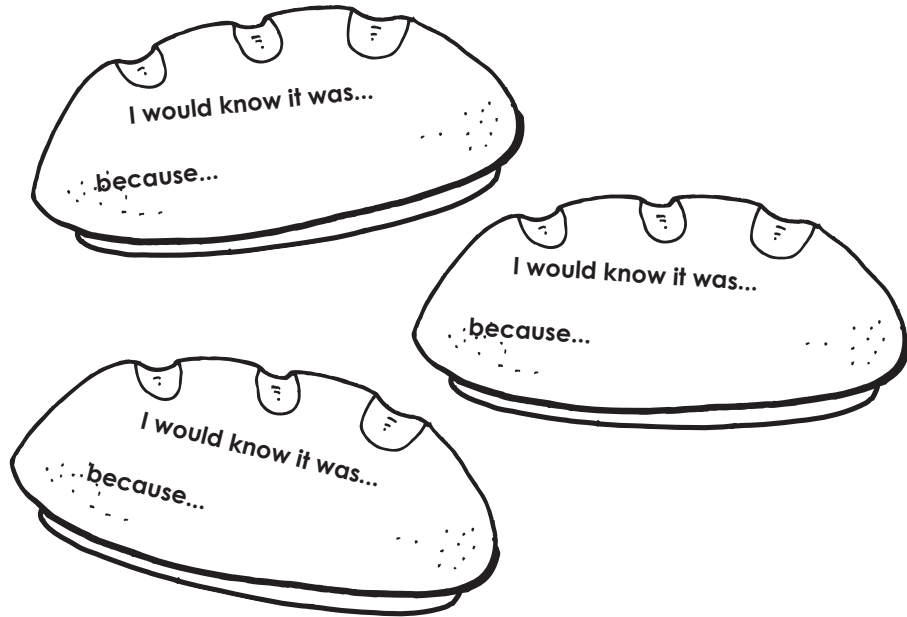


They were saying, "The rold has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Snimo!" Luke 24:34

Then their yees were opened, and yeht recognized him. Luke 24:31a

Who Do You Know?

It wasn't until Jesus shared a meal with the two men that they recognized him. What is one thing about your family members and friends that you would recognize, even if they looked different? Draw or write about it in these loaves of bread.



The road from Jerusalem to Emmaus was about 60 stadia. One stadion is about 610 feet or 185 meters. That makes the distance to Emmaus about 7 miles or 11 kilometers.



Counting Coins

Peter wrote a letter to his friends. He told them that what Jesus gave in order to save us, is worth a lot more than gold or silver coins. Which set of coins is worth more than the other?

Set 1: One 25-cent coin and one 10-cent coin -OR- one 25-cent coin, one 1-cent coin, and one 5-cent coin.
 Set 2: Two 1-cent coins and two 1-cent coins -OR- one 5-cent coin.
 Set 3: One 10-cent coin and two 10-cent coins -OR- two 25-cent coins.
 Set 4: Three 1-cent coins and one 5-cent coin -OR- one 25-cent coin.

Trading My Sorrows

CHORUS

A D F#m E A D F#m E/G#

I'm trad - ing my sor - rows, I'm trad - ing my shame,
I'm trad - ing my sick - ness, I'm trad - ing my pain,

VAMP

5 A D F#m E A D F#m E A D

I'm lay - ing them down for the joy of the Lord. Yes, Lord, yes, Lord,
I'm lay - ing them down for the joy of the Lord.

10 F#m E A D F#m E/G# A D

yes, yes, Lord; Yes, Lord, yes, Lord, yes, yes, Lord; Yes, Lord, yes, Lord,

VERSE

14 F#m E A D F#m E A D

yes, yes, Lord, a - men. I am pressed but not crushed, per - se -

18 F#m E A D F#m E

- cut - ed, not a - ban - doned, struck down, but not de - stroyed; I am blessed

21 A D F#m E A D

be - yond the curse, for His prom - ise will en - dure, that His joy's gon - na be my strength.

24 F#m E Esus E G

Though the sor-row may last for the night, His joy comes with the morn-

CHORUS

28 1 2 D D.C. D A D F#m E A D

-ing. ing. I'm trad-ing my sor - rows, I'm trad-ing my
I'm trad-ing my sick-ness, I'm trad-ing my

33 F#m E/G# A D F#m E A D F#m E

shame, I'm lay-ing them down for the joy of the Lord.
pain, I'm lay-ing them down for the joy of the Lord.

INSTRUMENTAL

INTERLUDE

A D F#m E A D F#m E/G# A D

Lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai,

43 F#m E A D F#m E/G# A D

lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai; Lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai,

47 1 2 F#m E A D F#m E/G# F#m E/G#

lai, lai, lai, lai, lai, lai. Lai,

Lord I Lift Your Name On High

(as published by Maranatha! Music)

Words and Music by
Rick Founds

VERSE

♩=86

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

Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your prais-es.

5

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

I'm so glad You're in my life; I'm so glad You came to save us.

CHORUS

G C D C/D G C

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

12

D C G C D Em7

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

15

Am7 D G

Lord, I lift Your name on high.


Blessed Be Your Name

(as published by Worship Together)

Words and Music by
Matt Redman and Beth Redman


VERSE

B F# G#m7



1.-Bless - ed be Your name in the land that is plen -
2.-Bless - ed be Your name when I'm found in the des -
3.-Bless - ed be Your name when the sun's shin - ing down
4.-Bless - ed be Your name on the road marked with suf -

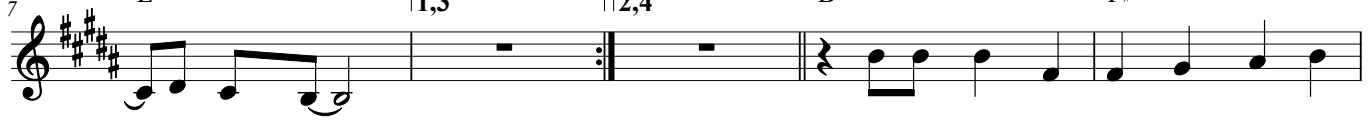
E B F#



- ti - ful, where Your streams of a - bun - dance flow, bless - ed
- ert place, though I walk through the wil - der - ness, bless - ed
on me, when the world's "all as it should be." bless - ed
- fer - ing, though there's pain in the of - fer - ing, bless - ed

PRE-CHORUS

E 1,3 2,4 B F#



be Your name. Ev-'ry bless-ing You pour out I'll
be Your name.
be Your name.
be Your name.


G#m7 E B F# G#m7



turn back to praise. When the dark-ness clos-es in, Lord, still I will

CHORUS

E B F# G#m7 E



say, "Bless-ed be the name of the Lord, bless-ed be Your name. Bless-ed be the

22

B F# G#m7 F# E

1 2

Last time to Coda \oplus *D.C.*

name of the Lord, bless-ed be Your glo - ri - ous name." You

BRIDGE

B F# G#m7 E B

give and take a - way, You give and take a - way. My heart will choose to

F# G#m7 E E E

1 2

D.S. al Coda \oplus *Coda*

33

say, "Lord, Bless-ed be Your name." You name." Bless-ed be the

B

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