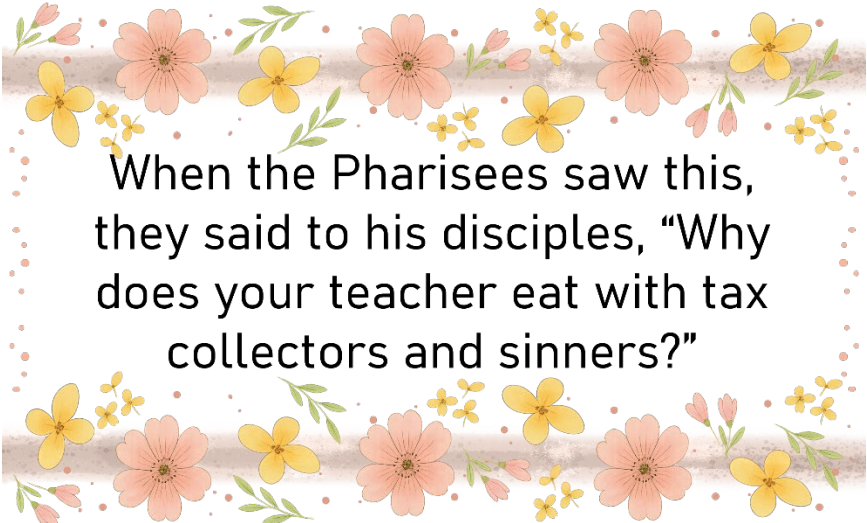


**Welcome to worship at
The New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 7, 2026**



When the Pharisees saw this,
they said to his disciples, “Why
does your teacher eat with tax
collectors and sinners?”

Matthew 9:11

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord’s day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God’s mercy for the world.

**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
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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.

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

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn *All My Hope on God Is Founded* ELW #757

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Centering Song *Your Grace Is Enough*

Grace Band

Great is Your faithfulness, O God
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart
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

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Please be seated.

Children's Message

Nicole Ewing

First Reading Hosea 5:15-6:6

Donna Kehs

A reading from the book of Hosea

¹⁵ I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1} “Come, let us return to the Lord,
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

² After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.

³ Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”

⁴ What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?
Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.

⁵ Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

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

Psalm

Psalm 50:7-15

Donna Kehs

⁷ “Listen, my people, and I will speak:
Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.

⁸ **I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹ I will not accept a calf from your stalls,
nor goats from your pens;

¹⁰ **for all the wild animals of the forest are mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.**

¹¹ I know every bird of the mountains,
and the creatures of the fields are mine.

¹² **If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?

14 **Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to the Most High.**

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

Please rise as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah*

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
Hal - le - lu - jah.
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The first system covers the first two lines of text. The second system covers the third and fourth lines. The third system covers the fifth and sixth lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

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Gospel **Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26**

The holy gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples.

¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹² But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³ When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.

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 *I Will Follow*

Grace Band

Where You go, I’ll go;

Where You stay, I’ll stay;

When You move, I’ll move. I will follow.

All your ways are good,
All your ways are sure;
I will trust in You alone.
Higher than my sight,
High above your life;
I will trust in You alone.

Chorus:

Where You go, I'll go;
Where You stay, I'll stay;
When You move, I'll move.
I will follow You.
Whom You love, I'll love;
How You serve, I'll serve;
If this life I lose,
I will follow You, yeah,
I will follow You, yeah.

Light into the world,
Light into my life,
I will live for You alone.
You're the One I seek,
Knowing I will find
All I need in You alone. In you alone.

Chorus

Bridge:

In You, there's life everlasting.
In You, there's freedom for my soul.
In You, there's joy, unending joy.
And I will follow

Chorus 2x

Ending:

Yeah,
I will follow You, yeah,
I will follow You, yeah,
I will follow You, yeah

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Holy Baptism of Logan Ray Kulp, Hunter Matthew Kulp and Scarlett Rhyan Kulp Affirmation of Baptism of Kayleigh Brynn Urbassik

Presentation

Candidates for confirmation, baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the vicar at the font.

Introduction

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. The power of sin is put to death in this holy flood, and we are raised with Jesus Christ to new life. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and sent out in mission for the life of the world.

I present Logan Ray Kulp for baptism.

I present Hunter Matthew Kulp for baptism.

I present Scarlett Rhyan Kulp for baptism.

Trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Logan, Hunter and Scarlett baptized?

*Response: **I do.***

As you present your children for baptism, you are entrusted with gifts and responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring them to the word of God and the holy supper, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that they may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace among all people.

Do you promise to help your children grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Response: **I do.***

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture these children in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: **I do.**

People of God, do you promise to support Logan, Hunter and Scarlett Kulp and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

Response: **We do.**

I present Kayleigh Brynn Urbassik, who desires to make public affirmation of her baptism.

Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for this sister, whom you have made your own by water and Word in baptism. You have called her to yourself, enlightened her with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished her in the community of faith. Uphold your servant in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

Profession

Renunciation of Evil

I ask you to reject sin, profess your faith in Christ, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: **I renounce them.**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Rite of Baptism

Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit brooded over the waters and you created the world by your Word, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through water you led your people Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the promised land. In the waters of the Jordan Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you delivered us from the power of sin and death and set us free to live in you.

Send your Holy Spirit upon this water and upon all who are washed in it, that they may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Baptism

Logan Ray Kulp, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Hunter Matthew Kulp, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Scarlett Rhyan Kulp, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Laying on of Hands

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your children new birth, wash them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Logan, Hunter and Scarlett with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

Signing with the Cross

Logan Ray Kulp, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

Hunter Matthew Kulp, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

Scarlett Rhyan Kulp, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

Presentation of a Candle

Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and glorify your father who is in heaven.

Affirmation in the Presence of the Assembly

Kayleigh, you have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Kayleigh: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support Kayleigh and pray for her in her life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in Kayleigh the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Welcome

Let us rejoice with this sister in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Logan, Hunter and Scarlett, through baptism you have been received into the household of God, entrusted with the good news of Jesus Christ, and strengthened to serve by the holy and life-giving Spirit.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and the mission we share. Join us as we give praise to God and bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Prayers of Intercession

God, of grace,

hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

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

Offertory *Meditation from "Thais"* Janet Marquardt, violin

"Meditation form "Thais"" by Jules Massenet. Music is in public domain.

The offering will be taken at this time.

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Please rise as you are able.

Offertory Response *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 praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - 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



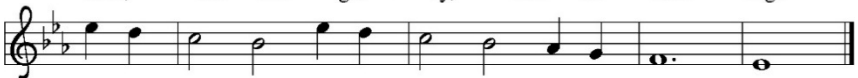
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



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

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

Amen.

Please rise as you are able.

Sending Hymn *O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate*

ELW #722

Blessing

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Legions for Christ

Roger C. Wilson

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Announcements

Today

Congratulations to Logan, Hunter and Scarlett Kulp, children of Matthew and Allison Kulp, who will be baptized during this morning's worship service. Alyssa Davis and Zachariah Benjamin are serving as the children's sponsors.

Congratulations to Kayleigh Brynn Urbassik, who will be confirmed during this morning's worship service.

We welcome Janet Marquardt, who is offering special music this morning. Janet has been playing the violin since age 7. She performs with Berks Sinfonietta and the Reading Pops. She

teaches at Coventry Christian School, as well as her own private teaching studio. She holds a Bachelor of Music degree in music performance from Duquesne University and a Master of Music degree from University of Arizona. Janet is a member of Grace Lutheran.

The bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of their 46th wedding anniversary by Tim and Vikki Mutter.

The flowers are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Tim and Vikki Mutter.

The sponsor signups for 2026 is available on signupgenius 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.



Serving Today: Marty Hauser, head usher; Bill Allen, usher; Donna Kehs, lector; Nicole Ewing, children's sermon; Noah Waltermeyer, acolyte

Next Sunday: Dee Singley, head usher; Sharon Tracey, usher; Josh Young and Janet Psota, lectors; Dee and Kady Singley, children's sermon; Sam Young, acolyte

Altar Guild members who are serving this month: Vicki Dotterer, Becky Gallagher and Terry Santangelo.

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.

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

Praise Band Rehearsal – Today, 10:15 AM, sanctuary

AARP Board – Monday, 10:00 AM, room 1

AARP – Monday, 11:00 AM, room 1

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Scouts BSA Troop 367 – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, picnic grove
and rooms 21, 32, 33

Finance – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, Zoom

Sunshine Learning Center – Tuesday, 7:00 PM, room 7

Women's Breakfast – Wednesday, 8:30 AM, Shorty's Sunflower
Café

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

Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 10:00 AM, kitchen door

Endowment – Wednesday, 10:30 AM, room 1

Addiction 12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 14

Food Ministry – Wednesday, 6:30 PM, room 7

Cub Parents Planning – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 1

Addiction 12 Step – Thursday, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, room 14

District Scout Committee – Thursday, 7:00 PM, room 1

Set Up for Kids Camp – Saturday, room 1

Men's Breakfast – Saturday, 8:00 AM, Brookside Family
Restaurant

Summer Harvest – Saturday, 9:00 AM, Garden of Hope

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

Praise Band Rehearsal – Next Sunday, 10:15 AM, sanctuary

Chicken Dinner – Next Sunday, 3:00 – 7:00 PM, picnic grove

Women's Breakfast is this Wednesday, 8:30 AM at Shorty's
Sunflower Café on North Charlotte Street in Pottstown.

Reservations are needed. To reserve your seat, contact Lynn
Fegley at 484-300-6281 by Tuesday noon. And don't forget,
husbands are invited too.

The Men's Breakfast is this Saturday at 8:00 AM at Brookside Family Restaurant. Come out for good food and friendly conversation. No registration is required. Any questions, contact Ron Fegley at 484-300-3025.

Garden of Hope is planning a summer harvest on Saturday, June 13th, 9:00 AM. Can we count on you to help? No experience necessary. Also, help is needed for weeding and harvesting Monday and Thursday mornings at 7:00 AM. Any questions, contact Jim Mack.

Upcoming Events

The Reconciling in Christ team is collecting donations during the month of June for Reconciling Works, a non-profit organization, to fulfill our annual donation commitment.

Reconciling Works provides outreach and education for congregations on their

Reconciling in Christ journey and strengthens relationships with current Reconciling in Christ partners.

There will be a container in the narthex for cash or check donations and a designated QR code is provided to donate through [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly).

If you are writing a check, please make it out to NHELCC with Reconciling Works in the memo space. Thank you for considering making a donation to support this organization.



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.

NHELCC'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 annual chicken dinner will be held on Sunday, June 14th, at the picnic grove. Dinner will be available from 3:00 – 6:00 PM.

Plan to stay and enjoy the lively music by Sons of Phelan (John, Jeremy and Orin) from 4:00 – 7:00 PM.

Camp Falckner is just around the corner! Camp 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. 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 present a Patriotic Concert on Saturday, June 27th, at 2:00 PM at the Keystone Fire House downstairs. The cost is \$10 per ticket. Tickets are sold at Aunt Nannie’s Bake Shop (913 Rte. 100, Bechtelsville) and Bachman’s Music (38 S. Reading Ave., Boyertown).

Ringgold Band is offering a Concert at St. John’s Lutheran Church on Saturday, June 27th, 7:00 PM. Admission is free. St. John’s is located at 45 N. Reading Avenue in Boyertown.

Reminder

Attention committee and group leaders. Be sure to turn out the lights when leaving the church.

Help Needed

Local families in the Pottstown area need our help. Now through the end of 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 May issue of *New Hanover Highlights*. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

Resources

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 Vicar Nikki.

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. NHELIC 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! NHELCC'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

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	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	Steve Morriss
Jennifer, Brendt, Declan & Conor Budnick		Vicki Mutter
Carol Feick	Alice Nester	Linda Adams
Donna Day	John and Candis Sander,	Yvonne Peto
Dennis and Sandy Rothermel		Janet Linskey
James Dawson	Kevin Fleming	Diane Davidheiser
Carolyn and Rodney Snell		Timmy Fabian
Betty Hinrichs		

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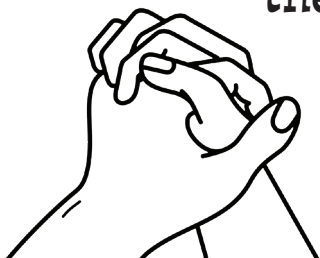
We are a Reconciling in Christ Church

When Jesus held a daughter's hand, something amazing happened. What things can you do with your hands during worship?

Circle what you want to try.



Put something in the offering plate



Pray



Hold a Bible



Wave to a friend



Shake someone's hand

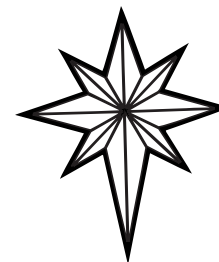
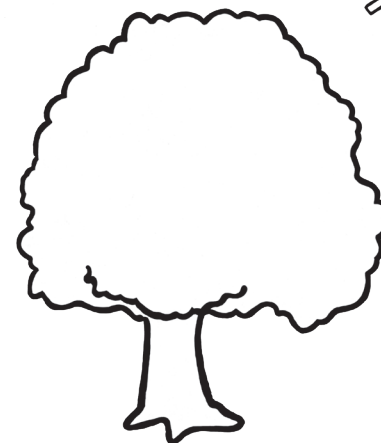


PRE-READER

Pentecost 2

- Today is the **2nd** Sunday after Pentecost.
- The season after Pentecost begins with the **Day of Pentecost**.
- The church year has **six seasons**.

Color each symbol from the church year seasons.





Jesus went into the house and took the girl by the hand and the girl got up.

In today's Bible story, Jesus heals two daughters. One was a woman who needed healing. One was the daughter of a church leader.

Take a look at these daughters. Can you find the two that are a match?

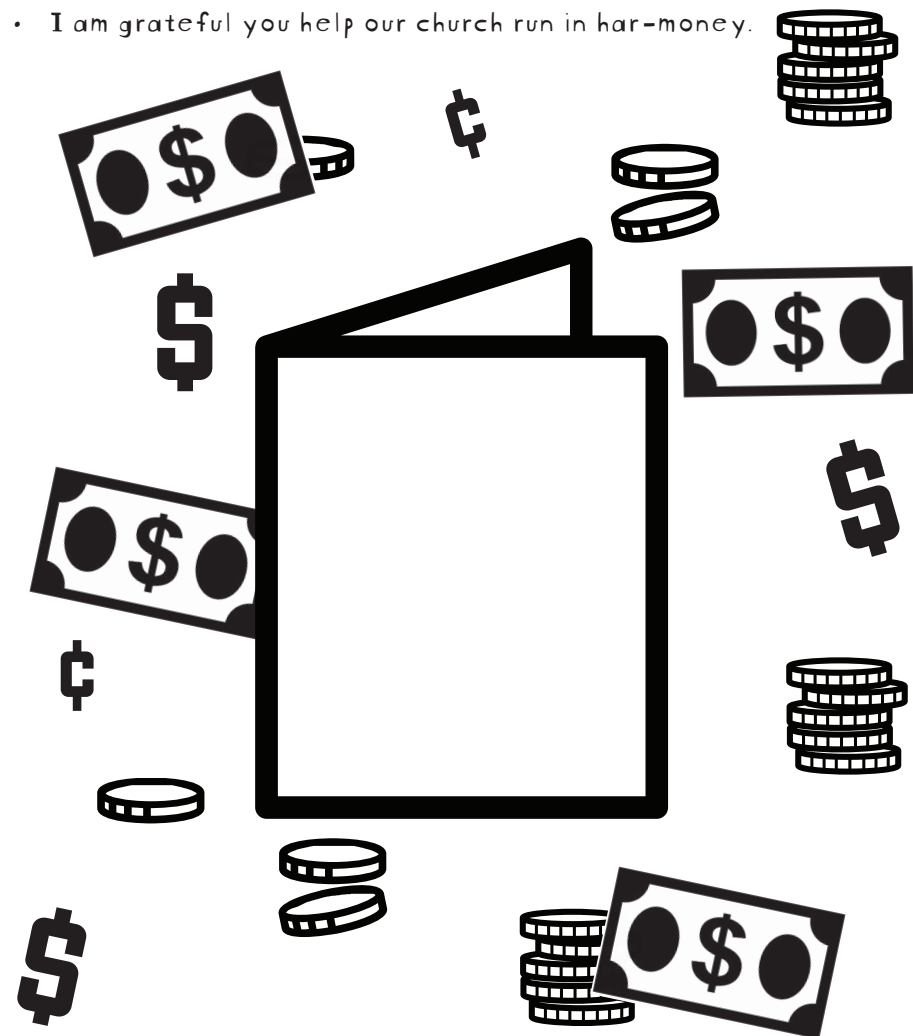


A Glance at Finances

Your church needs people who know about money management, finances, and taxes. They make sure your church has enough to pay for its staff, its facilities, and its ministries. Do you know who these people are? Using any paper you can find (including this bulletin), make them a thank-you card and place it in the offering plate where the offering counters will read it and pass it along.

Here are some ideas for what you could write:

- Thanks for all you do to make sure everything adds up.
- It's no coin-cidence that you're helping our church.
- Thanking the Finance Team at church just makes cents.
- I am grateful you help our church run in har-money.



READER

Pentecost 2

- Today is the **second** Sunday after Pentecost.
- Last week the color was **white**. The week before that, the color was **red**. For the season after Pentecost, the color is **green**.
- The **Day of Pentecost** begins this season. The Sunday called **Christ the King** is the final Sunday in this season.

Season Match-Up

Each season of the church year has a specific name and color. See if you can match up the season names, symbols, and colors.

Advent



White or Gold

Christmas



White or Gold

Epiphany



Dark blue
or purple

Lent



Purple

Easter



Green

Season after
Pentecost



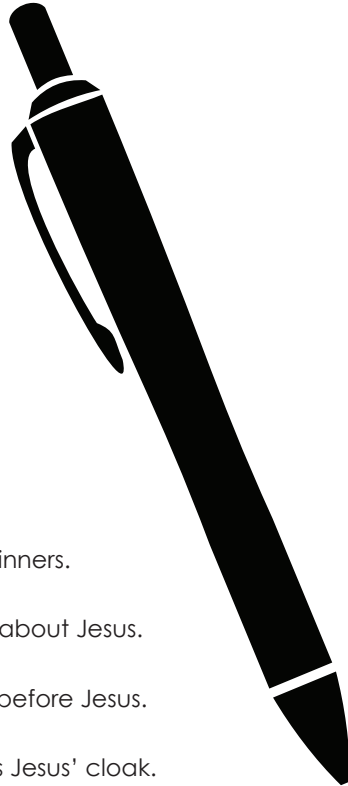
Green

But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need a physician, but those who are sick."



Today's Gospel reading is action Packed! See if you can put these actions in the order they happened.

- _____ The girl gets up.
- _____ Matthew follows Jesus.
- _____ The crowd laughs at Jesus.
- _____ Jesus takes the girl by the hand.
- _____ Jesus calls Matthew as a disciple.
- _____ Jesus tells the crowd to go away.
- _____ Jesus follows the father to his house.
- _____ The woman is healed of the bleeding.
- _____ Jesus eats dinner with tax collectors and sinners.
- _____ The Pharisees ask the disciples a question about Jesus.
- _____ A father whose daughter just died kneels before Jesus.
- _____ A woman with longtime bleeding touches Jesus' cloak.
- _____ Jesus says, Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well."
- _____ Jesus says, "For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."
- _____ Flute players and the crowd make a commotion at the father's house.

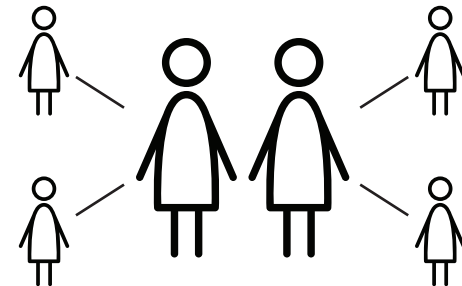


You'll find this story of the woman who was healed in the Gospel of Mark with a more dramatic response from Jesus. Read Mark 5:30-34 and notice what is different.

And the Report Spread

During Bible times, news could travel fast, but not in the same ways we get news today. Word of mouth was the main method.

Imagine the crowd who witnessed Jesus healing the girl. If two people in the crowd rushed to tell two more people within the hour, and each of those people told two more people in the next hour, and so on, how many people would hear the news after twelve hours? You can draw them below. (The first set of people telling the second are shown below.)



Your Grace Is Enough

(as published by spiritandsong.com)

Words and Music by
Matt Maher

VERSE

G G/B C



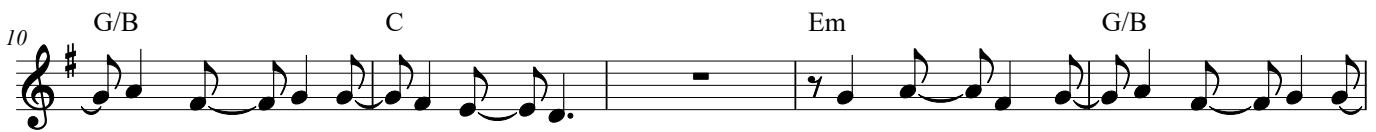
1. Great is Your faith - ful - ness, O God;
2. Great is Your love and jus - tice, God of Ja - cob;

5 Em G/B C G



You wres - tle with the sin - ner's rest - less heart. You lead us by
You use the weak to lead the strong. You lead us in

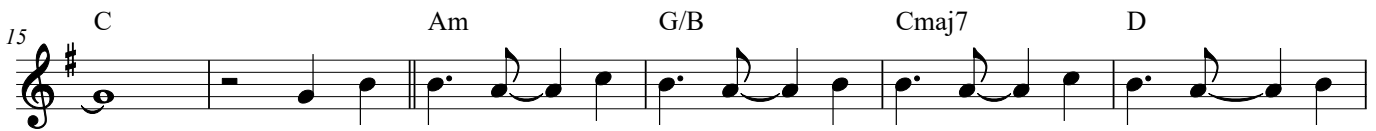
10 G/B C Em G/B



still wa - ters in - to mer - cy and noth - ing can keep us a - part.
the song of Your sal - va - tion, and all Your peo - ple sing a - long.

PRE-CHORUS

15 C Am G/B Cmaj7 D



So, re - mem - ber Your peo - ple, re - mem - ber Your chil - dren, re -

CHORUS 1

21 Em D G/B C G D



- mem - ber Your prom - ise O God. Your grace is e - nough, Your

27 Em7 C G D C 1



grace is e - nough Your grace is e - nough, for me.

PRE-CHORUS

33 2 3
D.S. Am G/B Cmaj7 D
 Your Re - mem - ber Your peo - ple, re - mem - ber Your chil - dren, re -

CHORUS 1

39 Em D/F# G C G D
 - mem - ber Your prom - ise O God. Your grace is e - nough, Your

45 Em7 C G D C
 grace is e - nough Your grace is e - nough, for me. Yeah, Your

CHORUS 2

G D Em7 C G
 grace is e - nough; heav - en reach - es out to us. Your grace is e - nough
 grace is e - nough; I'm cov - ered in Your love. Your grace is e - nough

ENDING

56 1 2
 D C C G
 for me. God, I sing: Your for me.
 for me,

62 Dsus Em7 C G Dsus

67 Em7 C G

I Will Follow

Words and Music by
Chris Tomlin, Jason Ingram and Reuben Morgan

INTRO

Gm E♭/G B♭/F

♩ = 96

Where You go, I'll go; Where You stay, I'll stay; When You move, I'll move.

F Gm7 E♭2 B♭ F(4)

I will fol-low. Oh, oh, oh.

VERSE

E♭ Gm7 F(4)

1. All Your ways are good, all Your ways are sure; I will
2. Light in - to the world, Light in - to my life— I will

B♭2 F/A E♭ Gm7 F(4)

trust in You a-lone. High - er than my sight, high a - bove my life; I will
live for You a-lone. You're the One I seek, know-ing I will find all I

CHORUS

B♭2 F/A E♭ F(4) Gm7

trust in You a-lone. Where You go, I'll go;
need in You a-lone. In You a-lone.

E♭2 B♭ F(4)

Where You stay, I'll stay; When You move, I'll move. I will fol-low You.

23 Gm7 Eb2 Bb Last time to Coda

Whom You love, I'll love; How You serve, I'll serve; If this life I lose,

INTERLUDE

26 F(4) Gm7 Eb2 Bb F(4)

I will fol-low You, yeah. I will fol-low You, yeah.

BRIDGE

Ebmaj9 Bb F Ebmaj9 Bb F

In You, there's life ev-er-last-ing. In You, there's free-dom for my soul.

Ebmaj9 Bb F Ebmaj9 Bb F F(4)
Coda

35 D.S. al Coda

In You, there's joy, un-end-ing joy; And I will fol-low. I will fol- low.

CHORUS

Gm7 Eb2 Bb

Where You go, I'll go; Where You stay, I'll stay; When You move, I'll move.

F(4) Gm7 Eb2

I will fol- low You. Whom You love, I'll love; How You serve, I'll serve;

ENDING

46

B \flat F(4) Gm7 E \flat 2 B \flat

If this life I lose, I will fol- low You, yeah. I will fol- low You, yeah.

51

F(4) Gm7 E \flat 2 B \flat F(4)

I will fol- low You, yeah. I will fol- low You, yeah.

Children of the Heavenly Father

Truggare kan ingen vara



Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,
1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.
nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.
un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.
his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate



- 1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
- 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
- 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
- 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.
that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.
whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

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