

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

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 5, 2026**



The mystery of God's ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Gathered around word, water, and meal, we find rest for our souls.

**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

Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty

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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Creating God, redeeming God, welcoming God, loving God, grace-filled God, as people gathered in your love, we celebrate your presence with us here. You make us, you create us, you shape us, you form us. We are yours!

Amen.

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, source of hope in every nation, rest for the weary, glory and peace to the ends of the earth.

Amen.

Let us bring every burden 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.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord of all the worlds, guide this nation by your Spirit to go forward in justice and freedom. Give to all living in these lands the blessings of well-being and harmony, but above all things give us faith in you, that our nation may bring glory to your name and blessings to all peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Please be seated.

Children's Message

Donna Kehs

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

Nance White

A reading from the book of Zechariah

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

See, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 145:8-14

Nance White

⁸ The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

- ⁹ Lord, you are good to all,
and your compassion is over all your works.
- ¹⁰ All your works shall praise you, O Lord,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.
- ¹¹ They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,
- ¹² that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- ¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
You, Lord, are faithful in all your words,
and loving in all your works.
- ¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

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.

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Gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The holy gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶ “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸ “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹ the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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 *What a Friend*

Grace Band

Everybody has trials and temptations

Everybody knows heart break isolation

But we can lay our burdens down

Lay our burdens down

Chorus:

What a friend we have in Jesus
East to west my sins are gone
I see grace on every horizon
And forever and ever His heart is my home

Everybody has fears, everybody got worries
Everybody knows sorrow, devastation
But we can lay our burdens down
Lay our burdens down

Chorus

Bridge (2x):

No more betrayal for He is faithful
He fills me up and my cup runneth over
No more betrayal for He is faithful
How He has proven it over and over (over and oh)

Chorus 2x

Ending:

Forever and ever His heart is my home

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Nicene Creed

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

**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,
of one Being with the Father;
through him 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 Pilate;
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 in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, 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 one 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. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

**God of grace,
hear our prayer.**

**Into your mercy, O God, we entrust our restless hearts and all our
cares, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

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

Bought with a Price

Bethlyn Bechtel, mezzo soprano, Phil Richard, tenor

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Phil and Bethlyn are a father/daughter duo who have both grown up in the church and love to sing praise to the Lord. They enjoy a variety of hobbies, including frisbee golf, DND (Dungeons and Dragons), and hiking, which they often do together. Phil is a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Pottstown, and serves as a Lay member of the SEPA Synod Council. He is a historic story teller for Once Upon a Nation in Philadelphia and is a retired SMSGT (Senior Master Sargent) Air Force Vet. Bethlyn recently joined NHELC. She is a Winding Technician for Showmark LLC and enjoys volunteering with the Girl Scouts when she isn't at church or work.

The offering will be taken at this time.

You can donate to NHELC's ministry electronically.

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Simply Giving QR Code



Please rise as you are able.

Offertory Response *We Give Thee but Thine Own*



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

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The offering is brought forward for a blessing.

Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, for waves of grain and harvesters, fruitful vines and winepresses, for our labor and our rest, for the gifts of your hand in this land. Transform us and what we offer into the banquet of your compassion, serving your love without limits through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Dialog

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God, you alone are Majesty, you alone are Excellency, you alone are Sovereign.

Within the vast reaches you splashed into being, you formed our star and this planet: purple mountains, fruited plains, crystal waters, towering forests, gleaming mines. Here you fashioned

human beings in our infinite variety and hue, yet each one created equal, to care for one another and our earthly home.

In a time of peace enforced by the cruelty of empire, you came in Jesus to share our life. Born under the rule of a merciless king, Jesus revealed the merciful realm of God. Moving across borders to people broken and oppressed, Jesus brought healing, restoration, and freedom.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, Christ's execution at the hands of a ruthless regime, Christ's resurrection that buries death, Christ's ascension to rule with love forever, we declare the revolutionary mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

God, shed your grace on us. Shower your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine and on your people gathered this day. Ignite in us the flame of freedom—freedom from prejudice, from supremacy, from fear; freedom for acceptance, for welcome, for the *shalom* that you have first shown to us.

Faithful God, loving God: Your Majesty shines forth in weakness. Your Excellency is revealed to infants. Your Sovereignty reigns from a cross. Yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the everlasting kingdom, the peaceable power, and the humble glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

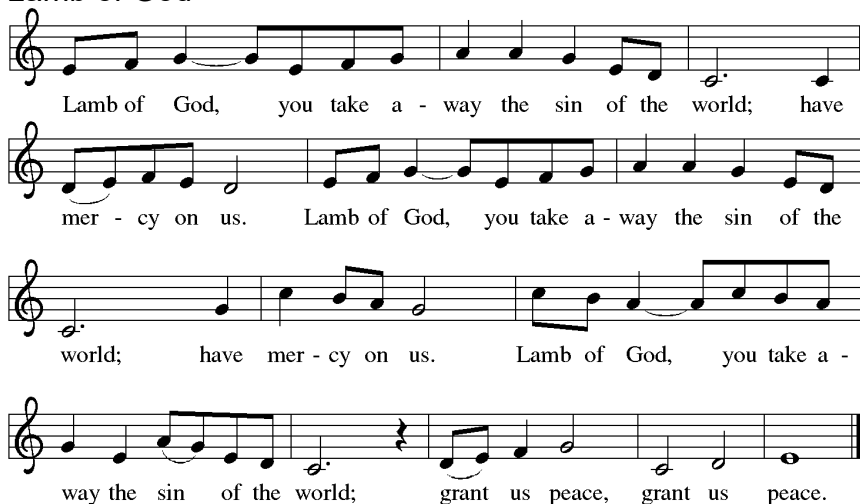
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 forever and ever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

Citizens of the commonwealth of heaven: Taste and know that God is good to all.

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
 way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion

The body of Christ, given for you.
 The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Communion Song

Run to the Father

Praise Band

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Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

We thank you, God of heaven and earth, that you fill our deepest need with the very gift of Jesus Christ, broken and poured out for us. Pour us out into a broken world. Channel our common life toward the common good, following the way our Savior leads us now and forever.

Amen.

Please rise as you are able.

Sending Hymn

This Is My Song

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Blessing

The Author of life, the Word of salvation, the Breath of new birth, ☩ one God, bless you and equip you for living and serving, today and every day.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Seek liberty and justice for all.

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Finlandia (Be Still My Soul)

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Announcements

Today

We welcome Linc Noecker, who is serving as the organist this morning.

The bulletin, communion and Word in Season devotional are presented to the glory of God and in celebration of Gerald Dotterer's 90th birthday, by Randy and Vicki Dotterer.

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in honor of their grandson Jamison's sixth birthday by Todd and Stacey Rothermel.

The sponsor signup schedule 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: Steve Weidner, head usher; Bryce Manthorne, usher; Nance White, lector; Donna Kehs, children's sermon; Faye Weidner, acolyte; Terry Santangelo and Carolyn Fleming, communion assistants

Next Sunday: Ed Becker, head usher; Monique Becker, usher; Harry White, lector; Ariel Hansley, children's sermon; Rae Bechtel acolyte

Altar Guild members who are serving this month: Nancy Gross, Sue Care and Kay Kurtz.

The Nursery room is located between the Welcome Center and the Fellowship Hall. Parents are welcome to use the room during worship as needed. The room provides for a comfortable play area in a joyful environment; toys and books are included. The room has access to a changing room and a private nursing room next door.

Doors leading to fellowship hall and the education wing remain locked during the worship service for the safety of all.

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

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Scouts BSA Troop 367 – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, picnic grove

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

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

Candy Bingo – Wednesday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1

Cub Parents Planning – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, welcome center

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

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

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

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

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.

Candy Bar Bingo Wednesday, July 8th, 6:30 – 8:00 PM Candy Bingo is back by popular demand! Bring a snack to share! So we can plan accordingly, signup online at



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EAFAC2CAAF4C16-64316918-candy> or use this QR Code.

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.

Upcoming Events

God on Bikes Do you ride a motorcycle? We already have God on Tap; would you be interested in God on Bikes? Weather permitting, motorcyclists will travel to an “interesting” place, that would include a lunch stop. Participants will help dictate the day we ride, be it a Saturday or during the week. All input of “an interesting place” would be greatly appreciated! It doesn’t matter what kind of bike you ride! Text or email Randy Dotterer at 610-306-0621 or email him at RDPTW6489@Gmail.com with questions or if you are interested.

The annual outdoor worship and picnic will be held on Sunday, July 26th, at the church picnic grove on Swamp Picnic Road. Bring a lawn chair if you wish or you can sit at the tables and benches under the pavilion. Following the service, a pancake breakfast will be served. And, if you can help, volunteers are needed to set up tents for the campers at this year’s Camp Falckner.

The NHELC Book Club is reading *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn. Join the club for dinner and book discussion at the WQ Diner in Pottstown on Tuesday, August 4th, at 6:30 PM. Any questions about the book club, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

Reminder

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

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. NHELC has links with helpful information available on our website (newhanoverlutheran.org) or contact NAMI Helpline or PA Addiction Helpline directly.

NAMI Help Line 1-800-950-6242 is available Monday - Friday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM ET.

Text "Helpline" to 62640 or if in crisis call or text 988.

PA Addiction Helpline 1-800-662-HELP (4357).

Online live chat offered at 1-717-216-0905 or text

You Can Help

Boyertown Area Multi-Service food collection is held throughout July. See the latest issue of *New Hanover Highlights* for a list of most needed items.

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! NHELCL'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		Carol Feick
Alice Nester	Linda Adams	Donna Day
Janet Linskey	James Dawson	Diane Davidheiser
Timmy Fabian	Betty Hinrichs	Steve Weidner
Carolyn and Rodney Snell		Judy Moser

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We are a Reconciling in Christ Church

Worship is a place to rest and get help from God.

Draw yourself and your family in this worship space!



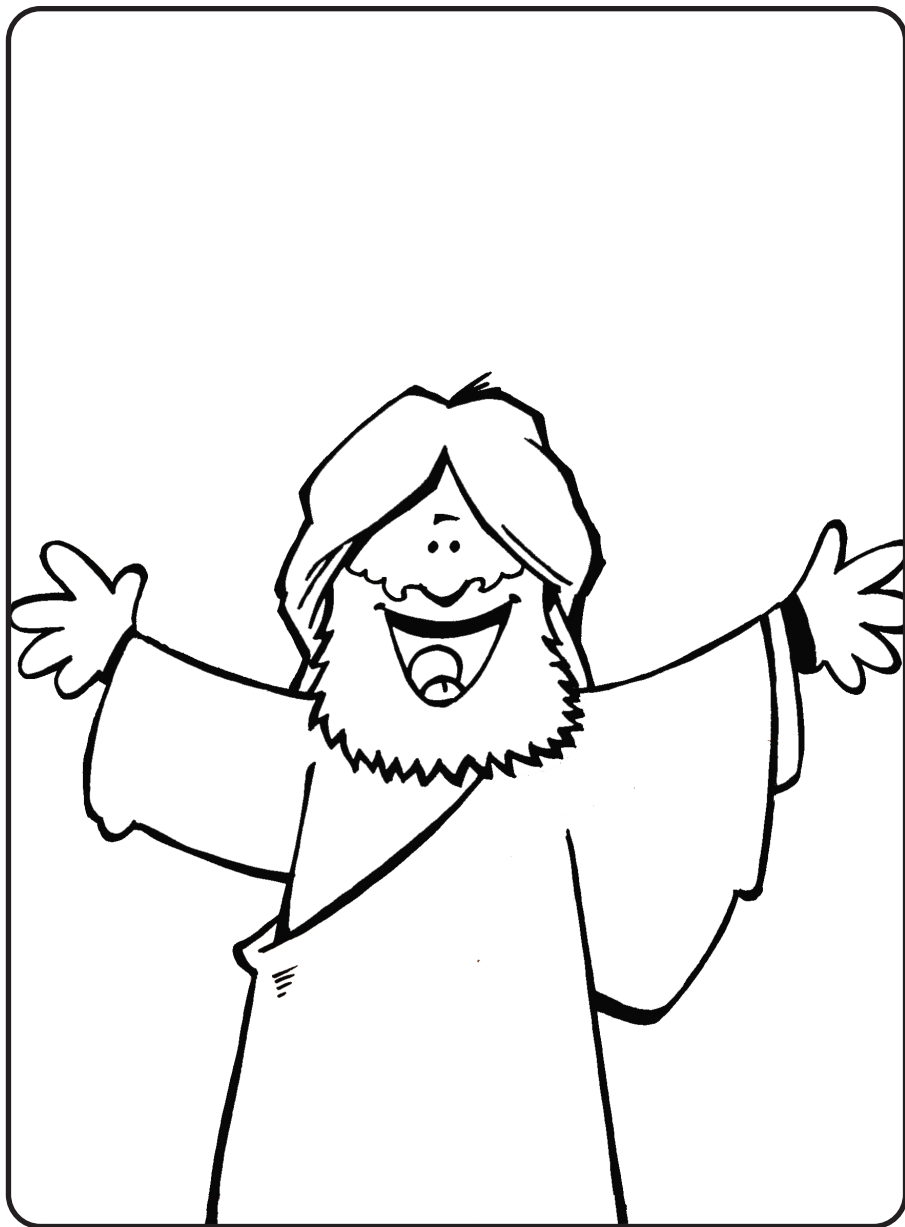
PRE-READER

Pentecost 6

- Today is the **6th Sunday** after **Pentecost**.
- **Pentecost** is the **longest season** of the **church year**.
- It takes **time** to **grow**!

Draw a clock inside the tree to remind you that it takes time to grow!

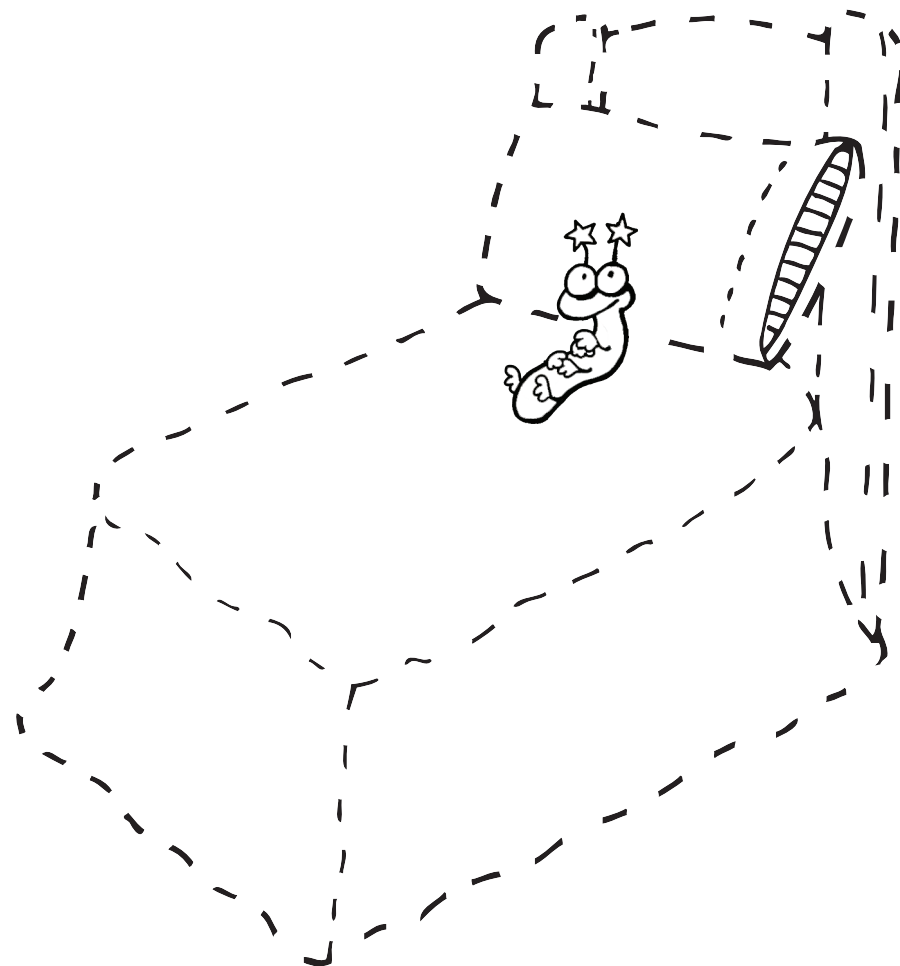




“Come to me and I will give you rest!”

When we are tired, Jesus promises to help us.

Squiggles is tired! Trace the lines to draw a bed and a pillow for him to rest!



Help!

In worship today we learned that Jesus helps us when we need it most.
When do you need help? Write or draw about it here:

How can you help others? Write or draw about it here:



READER

Pentecost 6

- Today is the **sixth** Sunday after Pentecost.
- Pentecost is the **longest** season of the church year.
- During Pentecost, the church takes **time to grow**.

It Takes Time to Grow

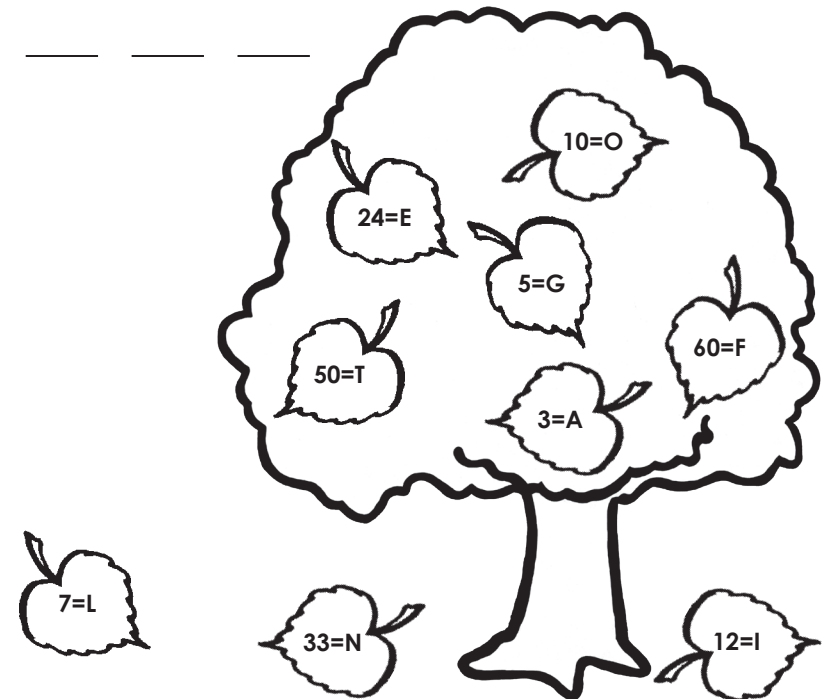
Answer these time questions and match your number answer with the letter in the tree. Then fill in the blanks to learn another theme of Pentecost.

How many days are there in one week? _____

How many months are there in one year? _____

How many seconds are there in one minute? _____

How many hours are there in one day? _____



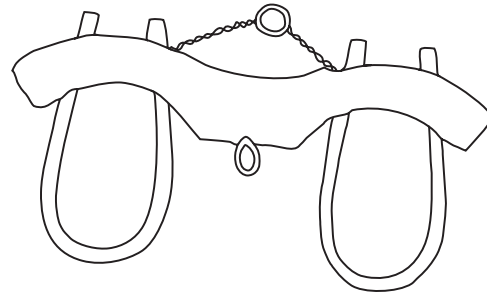
Unscramble the words to complete this week's memory verse!

Come to me, all you who are **yawer**
and are carrying heavy **rdunebs**,
and I will give you rest.

Come to me, all you that are _____ and are carrying heavy
_____, and I will give you rest.

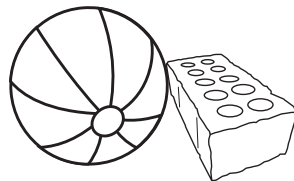
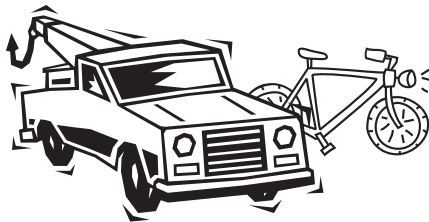
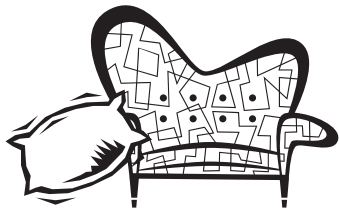
Matthew 11:28

During Bible times—and on some farms today—animals were used to pull plows. They wore something called a yoke to pull the plow. A yoke looked like this. Yokes are very heavy.



Heavy or Light

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells us that when times are tough, he will take our burdens. Burdens can be heavy, but Jesus makes them light. Which of these things is heavier than the other?



Memory Verse



Did You Know?

Finding Rest

Jesus knew it could be tiring and even discouraging to follow in God's way. So he told his disciples to come to him to find rest. We are invited to come to Jesus when we pray. Psalm 145 is a song of praise. Use the code to discover the message in verse 9.













A =		G =		L =		S =	
D =		H =		O =		T =	
E =		I =		R =			



Bible Tip!

The big numbers in your Bible are chapter numbers. The small numbers are verse numbers. To look up Matthew 11:28, go to chapter 11 in Matthew. Find verse 28.

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



- 1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

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What A Friend

(based on the recording by Matt Maher)

Words and Music by
Matt Maher

INTRO

E C#m A

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VERSE

E C#m A

Ev-'ry-bod-y has tri - als and temp-ta - tions.

9 E C#m

Ev-'ry-bod-y knows heart break, i - so-la - tion. But we can

CHORUS

13 B A E A

lay our bur-dens down, lay our bur-dens down. What a friend we have in

18 E C#m G#m A

Je - sus. East to west, my sins are gone. I see grace on ev-'ry hor-i -

TURNAROUND

22 E 2nd time to Coda C#m B A E

- zon. And for-ev-er and ev-er His heart is my home.

VERSE

27 C#m A E

Ev-'ry-bod-y has fears, ev-'ry-bod-y got wor-ries.

31 C#m A E

Ev-'ry-bod-y knows sor-row, dev-as-ta - tion.

35 C#m B A

But we can lay our bur-dens down, lay our bur - dens

BRIDGE 1a

40 C#m C#m B A E C#m

D.S. al Coda Φ *Coda*

down. What a ev-er and ev-er His heart is my home. No more be-tray-al

45 A E G#m A

for He is faith-ful. He fills me up and my cup run-neth o - ver. No more be-tray-al

BRIDGE 1b

49 F#m E B B#dim C#m

for He is faith-ful. How He has prov-en it o - ver and o - ver. No more be-tray-al

53 A E B B^{dim} C^{#m}



for He is faith-ful. He fills me up and my cup run-neth o - ver. No more be-tray-al

57 A E/G[#] B



for He is faith-ful. How He has prov-en it o - ver and o - ver. O-ver and oh- What a

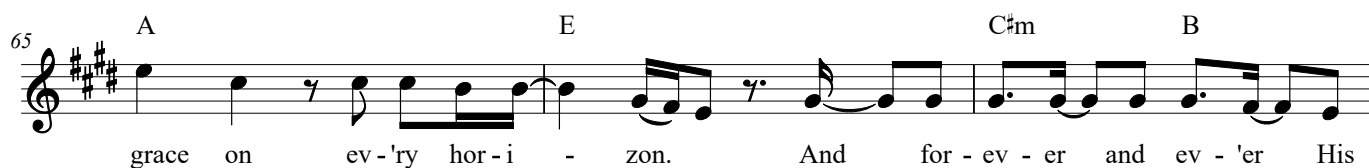
CHORUS

A E C^{#m} G^{#m}



friend we have in Je - sus. East to west, my sins are gone. I see

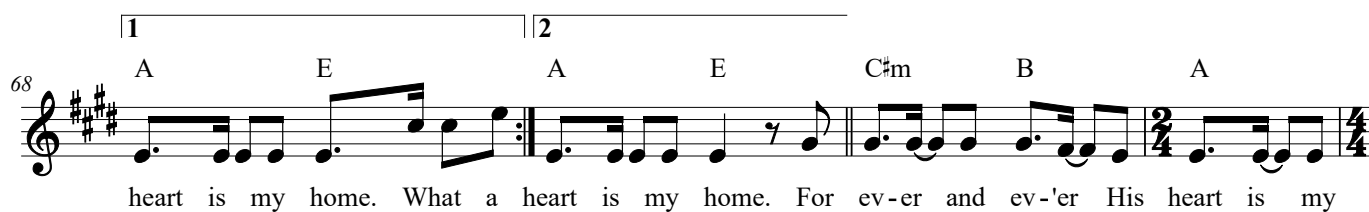
65 A E C^{#m} B



grace on ev - 'ry hor - i - zon. And for - ev - er and ev - 'er His

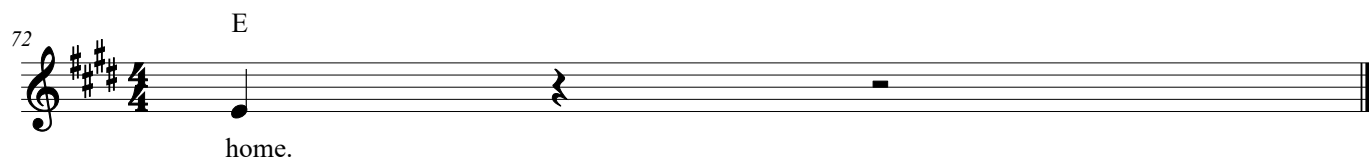
ENDING

68 A E A E C^{#m} B A



heart is my home. What a heart is my home. For ev - er and ev - 'er His heart is my

72 E



home.

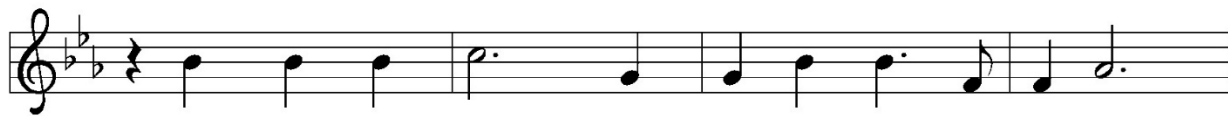
This Is My Song



1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's king - doms,



a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 your king - dom come; on earth your will be done.



This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 O God, be lift - ed up till all shall serve you,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.



but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions;



with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 my - self I give you; let your will be done.

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