

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

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 23, 2026**

**"On this rock I will build my church,
and the gates of Hades will not prevail
against it."**

Matthew 16:18



In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

**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
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 *Alleluia from Exultate Jubilate K. 165* Finely Fluted
Nancy Mest, Rashell Williams, Jocelyn Maluualu, Joanne Nagle,
Marta Weller, Barbara Lehmann, Kimberly Batchelder (alto flute)

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Shakespeare's Garden Finely Fluted

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Finely Fluted was formed as a group of friends and flute students who shared a desire to play music arranged for flute ensemble. The group focuses on spreading the joy of sacred music selections in area churches as well as community events. They love performing many traditional sacred favorites while incorporating contemporary and classical selections in their repertoire.

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, 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 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* ELW #596

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Centering Song

Forever

Grace Band

Give thanks to the Lord

Our God and King

His love endures forever

For He is good He is above all things

His love endures forever

Sing praise sing praise

With a mighty hand

And an outstretched arm

His love endures forever

For the life that's been reborn

His love endures forever

Sing praise sing praise

Sing praise sing praise

Chorus:

Forever God is faithful

Forever God is strong

Forever God is with us
Forever forever

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise
Sing praise sing praise

Chorus

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Please be seated.

Children's Message

Nikki Young

Blessing for the School Year

Backpacks and school supplies remind us that school has begun for students of all ages. Children begin preschool and kindergarten; others are moving up in elementary grades. Youth are moving to middle school and high school. Adults of all ages are attending colleges, universities and other places of learning.

We thank you, O Lord, for books and playgrounds, for new friends and field trips, for crayons and computers, for classrooms and recess.

We are called to pray for, support and encourage students of all ages and abilities.

We thank you for the excitement of a new school year and for new discoveries that will spark imaginations and expand knowledge.

We lift up backpacks that will carry books and papers, drawings and markers, lunches and snacks.

Bless those who will carry and wear backpacks that they may know and be surrounded by your love.

We lift up all forms of technology used in education. May these gifts be used wisely and responsibly.

Bless those who will be using and teaching the gifts of technology that they may use them responsibly and explore new ways to use them.

We pray for students of all ages as they begin this new school year.
Spirit of God, grant the gifts of wisdom and understanding to all students.

May they experience excitement in learning and take delight in new discoveries.

We pray for bus drivers and all who transport students to school.
We pray for kitchen workers and all who prepare and serve food.
We pray for custodial staff and all who clean and maintain facilities and equipment for safe use.

Spirit of God, we give thanks for all who provide safe travel, those working in food service and maintenance duties. Bless them in their ministry of service.

We pray for all educators, office staff, counselors, coaches, administrators and board members.

Spirit of God, may those in authority share their knowledge with gentleness and patience and exercise wise judgment in their decisions.

For all the gifts of education and especially for students and all those involved in the ministry of learning, decision-making and maintenance of facilities, we give you thanks and praise. Through your gracious and loving hand bless them and bless this year of learning. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 51:1-6

Nancy Gross

A reading from the book of Isaiah

¹ Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,
you who seek the Lord.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn
and to the quarry from which you were dug.

² Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah, who bore you,
for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.

³ For the Lord will comfort Zion;

he will comfort all her waste places
and will make her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the Lord;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴ Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation,
for a teaching will go out from me
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftly;
my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will rule the peoples;
the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope.

⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens
and look at the earth beneath,
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and those who live on it will die like gnats,
but my salvation will be forever,
and my deliverance will never be ended.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 138

Nancy Gross

¹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I will sing your praise.

² **I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your name,
because of your steadfast love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word
above all things.**

³ When I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength within me.

⁴ **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord,
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

⁵ They will sing of the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.

⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.

Please rise as you are able.

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

Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

The holy gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?”

¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

Jesus Messiah

Grace Band

He became sin who knew no sin

That we might become His righteousness

He humbled Himself and carried the cross

Love so amazing, love so amazing

Chorus:

Jesus Messiah, Name above all names

Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel

The Rescue for sinners

The Ransom from heaven

Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

His body the bread, His blood the wine

Broken and poured out, all for love

The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn

Love so amazing, love so amazing

Chorus

Bridge:

All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God
The Light of the world

Chorus

Ending:

Jesus Messiah
Lord of all
Lord of all

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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
Merciful God,
receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised.
All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
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

Special Music *Let There Be Peace on Earth* Finely Fluted

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The offering will be taken at this time.

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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

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.

Sending Hymn *O Master, Let Me Walk with You* ELW #818

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!

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Announcements

Today

The flowers are presented to the glory of God and in honor of their 55th wedding anniversary by Don and Jo Anne Wirt.

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: Jim Gross, head usher; Brian Flack, usher; Nancy Gross, lector; Nikki Young, children's sermon; Maddie Artim, acolyte

Next Sunday: Scott Geiser, head usher; Georgann Geiser, usher; Miller Quigley, lector; Carolyn Springer, children's sermon; Collins Quigley, acolyte

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

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.

Due to church staff taking vacations and fulfilling responsibilities that take them outside the church facility, you are encouraged to call and make an appointment before coming to the church. The church office phone number is 610-326-1335.

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

Garden Harvesting and Maintenance – Monday, 7:00 AM, Garden of Hope

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

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

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

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, room 14

Troop 367 Committee – Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, room 7

Garden Harvesting and Maintenance – Thursday, 7:00 AM, Garden of Hope

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

Hymn Sing – Next Sunday, 8:45 – 9:00 AM, sanctuary

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

Upcoming Events

Garden of Hope Fall crops will be planted on Saturday, August 29th, beginning at 9:00 AM. Can you come out and help? For more information, contact Jim Mack at jimmack203@gmail.com or Steve Weidner at foodministry@newhanoverlutheran.org. No experience necessary. Your help is appreciated.

Hymn Sing Next Sunday is the last scheduled hymn sing for the summer. Be sure to find your space in the pew and ready to request your favorite hymn by 8:45.

Interested in our newest youth shirt? To purchase the “God Is Greater than the Highs and Lows” shirt, scan this QR code or click the link

(https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe_sn1edlYDkEpmHN9KhVTsY13h6EeF4h3n5F9PSQSotIYQkw/viewform?usp=header) to

place your order today. Email Hayley Quigley (hquigley19@gmail.com) if you have additional questions. Cost is \$20-22 and should be given to Hayley. Payment is required to place your order. All proceeds will support the National Youth Gathering 2027. Order deadline will be in September but get yours today!



Join a choir Music is a treasured part of our life together as an ELCA congregation, proclaiming God’s grace and giving voice to our faith. Through hymns, anthems, and special music, our choir and musicians enrich our worship, inspire our hearts, and help lead the congregation in joyful praise. We are deeply grateful for those who share their musical gifts in service to Christ and the church. If you enjoy singing and are looking for a meaningful way to serve, we warmly invite you to join our choir. Whether you have years of experience or simply a love of music and a willing spirit, your voice can help lead our congregation in joyful praise as we “sing to the Lord a new song” (Psalm 96:1). There is a place for you in our music ministry. Together, we celebrate God’s abundant love and help our congregation sing with joy, hope, and thanksgiving. To learn more about our adult or children’s choir, or to become a member, contact Patricia Nyce, director of music, at 267-252-3020 or patricia.nyce@newhanoverlutheran.org. We would be delighted to welcome you and your family to our music ministry!

The NHELC Book Club is reading “6:40 to Montreal” by Eva Jurczyk. Join the club for dinner and book discussion at the WQ Diner in Pottstown on Tuesday, October 6th, at 6:30 PM. Any questions about the book club, contact Sharon Tracey at LBD36@aol.com.

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 RDPTW6489@Gmail.com with questions or if you are interested.

Concert Honors First Responders The Boyertown Area Alumni Marching Unit along with the Boyertown Area High School and Middle School East and West Show Choirs will offer a musical presentation on Friday, September 11th, from 7:00 – 9:00 PM at the Boyertown Middle School West. A free will offering will be received at the door.

Help Needed

Local families in the Pottstown area need our help. Throughout the months of August, September and October, NHELCC 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 August issue of New Hanover Highlights. Thank you for your contributions that will help those in need.

Also, a special thank you to all who donated during the spring months to the Pottstown Cluster boxes. With the help of a Thrivent Action Team project, we donated 155 pounds of food and personal care items.

The Food Ministry is looking to fill the following vacancies:

- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Assigns meal delivery drivers, meal staging support and kitchen help.
- **Purchasing Agent:** This person will purchase produce, kitchen supplies, packaging materials and manage food and meal inventories.
- **Cooks:** Two positions are needed immediately, more positions possible. Chefs Chris F & Jim D are cooking one day every four weeks each. We are looking for at least two other cooks to do the same to fill a four-week period. Chefs Chris and Jim will get the new cooks familiar with the kitchen and activities required.

Contact Steve Weidner at foodministry@newhanoverlutheran.org if interested or to learn more. Job descriptions are available.

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

Help is needed in the church garden. Can you help with harvesting and maintenance on Mondays and/or Thursdays throughout the summer beginning at 7:00 AM? And, if that doesn't fit your schedule, can you pull weeds at your convenience? NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. Any questions, contact Jim Mack at jimmack203@gmail.com or Steve Weidner at foodministry@newhanoverlutheran.org. Your help is appreciated.

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! NHELC's Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry is changing lives. And, you can be a part of the team. 1.) You can donate food. Drop off your donation on Wednesdays 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	Judy Moser
Carolyn and Rodney Snell		Jackson Bernhard

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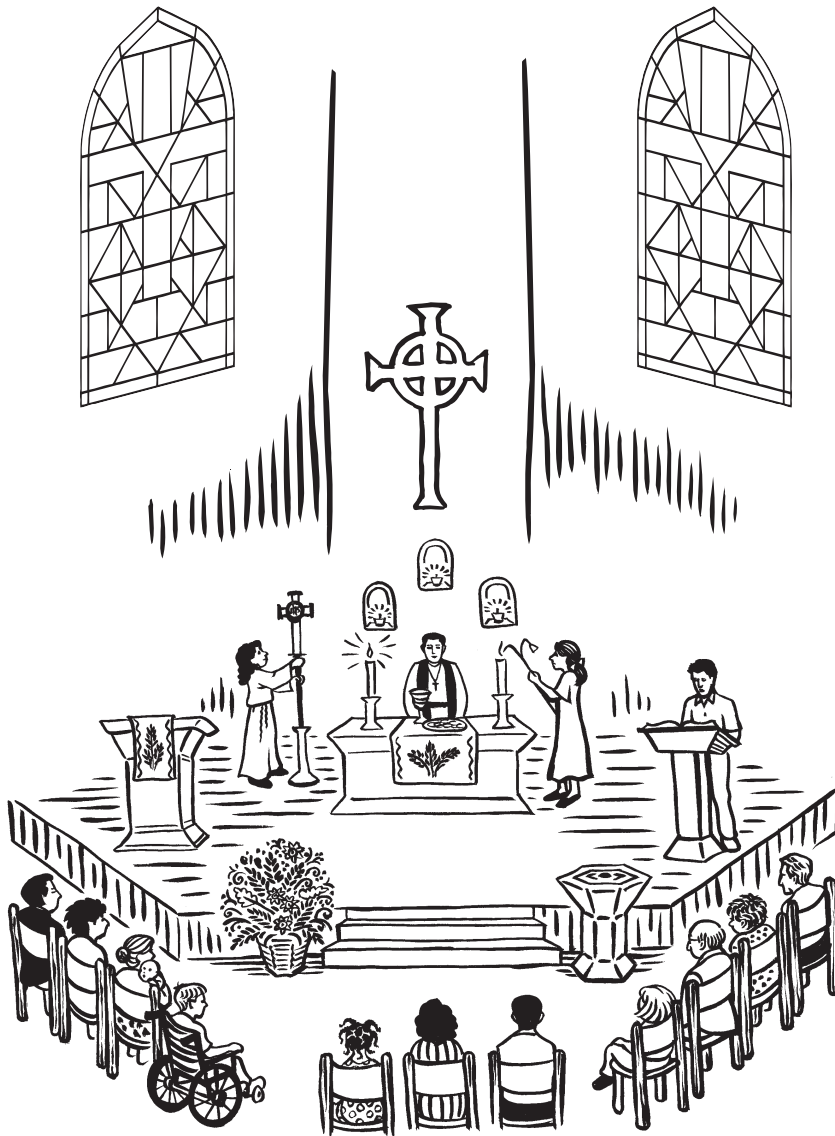
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We are a Reconciling in Christ Church

There are many people who help during worship.

Color this picture of all the people who help during worship!

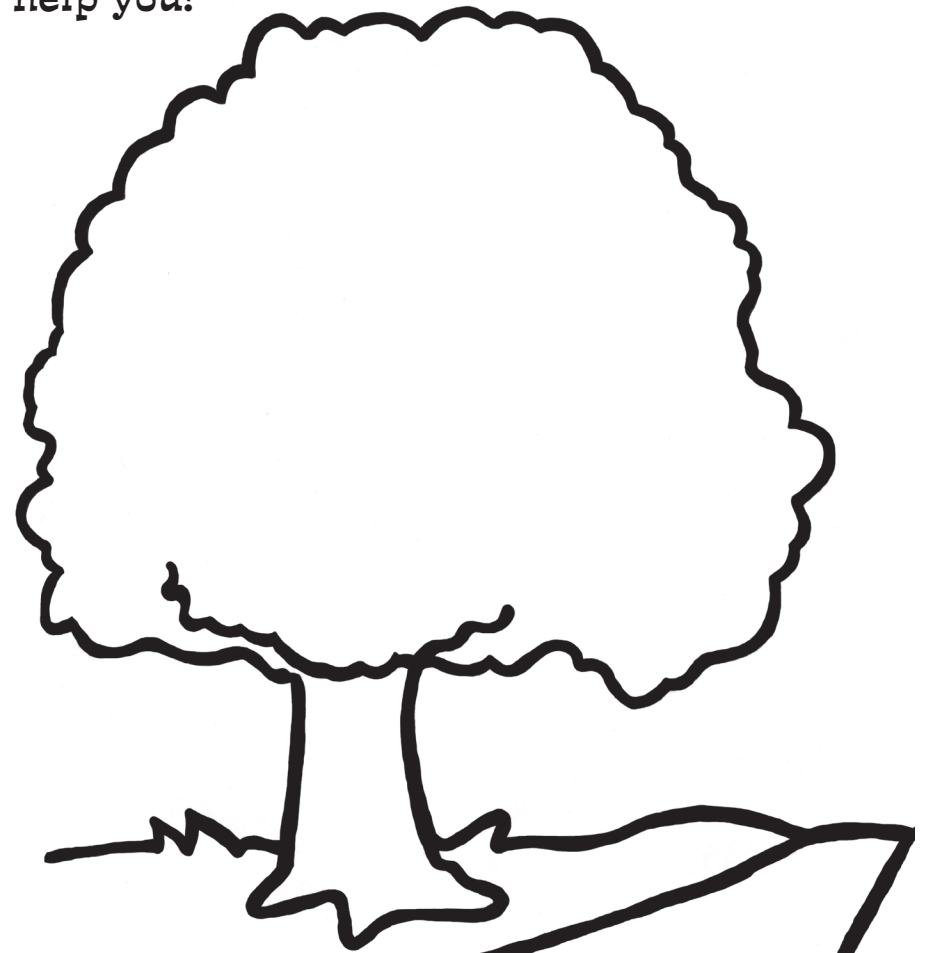


PRE-READER

Pentecost 13

- Today is the **13th Sunday** after Pentecost.
- This season celebrates the **church**.
- The church is a **community** of people who **help each other**.

Inside this tree, draw the people who help you!

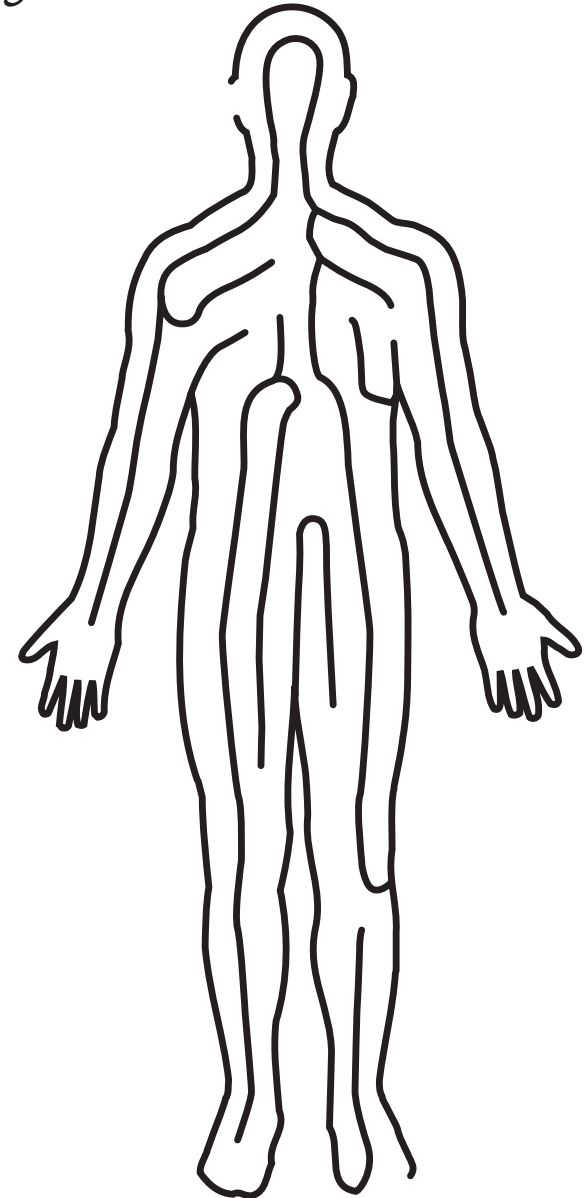




“You’re the one God sent to save the world!”

God wants us to work together with each other, just like parts of a body!

Complete this body maze to help the body work together.



Name Game

People who help with worship have names that tell what they do. Draw a line from the picture of each worship helper to the name and description that matches.

The acolyte lights candles and helps the pastor.
The crucifer brings the cross into the worship space.
The lector reads from the Bible.



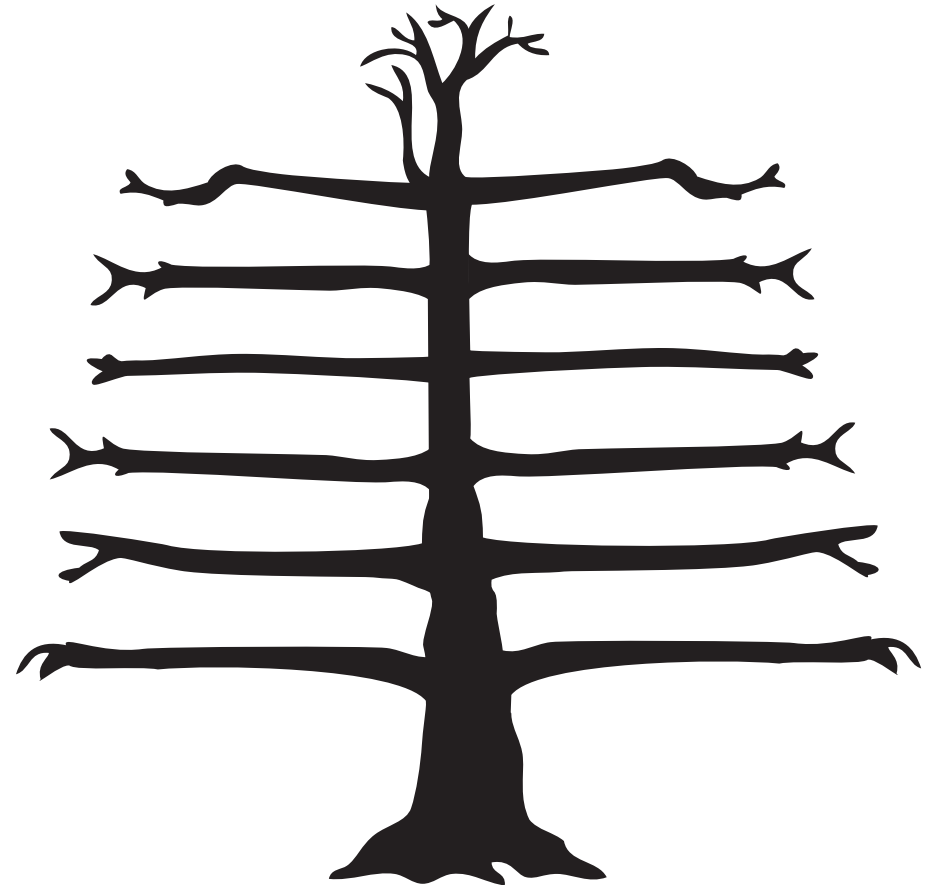
READER

Pentecost 13

- Today is the **13th** Sunday after Pentecost.
- This season is a **celebration** of the church as a **community**.
- Jesus' followers come together to be **part of the church**.

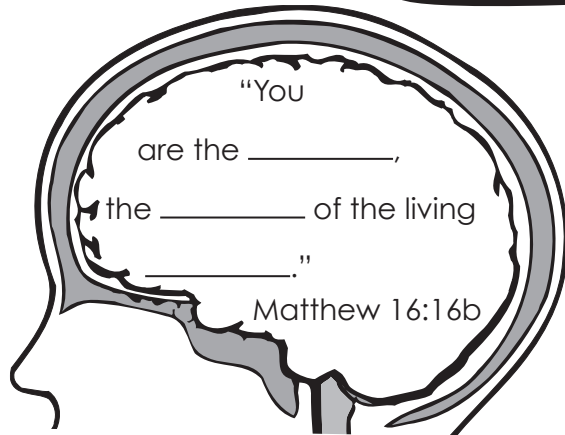
Church Community

Who is a part of your church community? Write their names in the branches of this tree. Remember that we are all connected!



Fill in the blanks to complete this week's memory verse.

Memory Verse



Christ Crossword

In the Gospel today, Jesus asks "Who do you say that I am?" There are many names for Jesus. Look up the Bible verses to solve the crossword puzzle. Each one contains a name for Jesus!

ACROSS

3. John 1:29: here is the _____ who takes away the sin of the world!

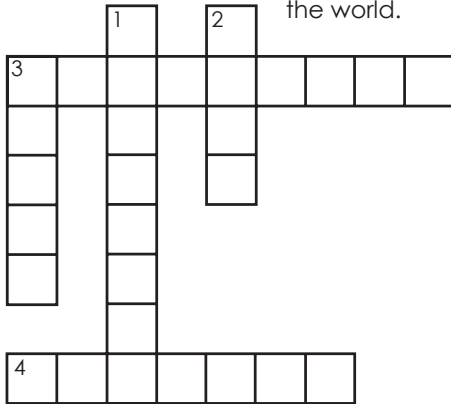
4. Matthew 3:17: This is my Son the _____.

DOWN

1. Matthew 1:23: and they shall name him _____.

2. John 1:1: In the beginning was the _____.

3. John 8:12: I am the _____ of the world.

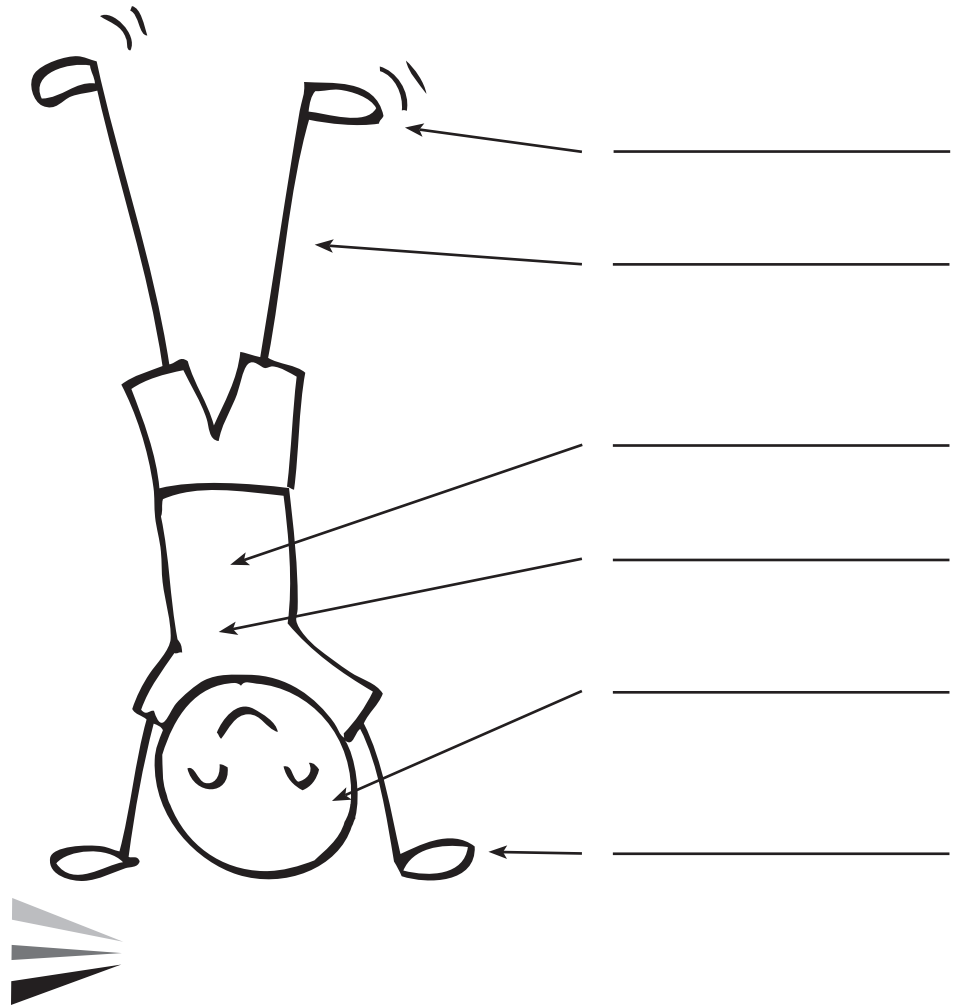


Look It Up!

The Gospel today is about Jesus' identity. Look up Isaiah 9:6 to read some other names for Jesus.

Body Builder

In Romans, Paul tells us to work together with each other like the parts of the body. What does each of these body parts do?



Bible Tip!

How can you find a certain book in your Bible? Look at the Table of Contents in the front of your Bible. You'll find the page number where the book starts.

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



- 1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;
- 2 When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;
- 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;
- 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,



no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
in ev-'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.
when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.
clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

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Forever

Words and Music by
Chris Tomlin

VERSE 1

$\text{♩} = 120$ A

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King, His love en-dures for-ev - er.

PRE-CHORUS

5 D A E

For He is good, He is a-bove all things, His love en-dures for-ev - er. Sing praise,

VERSE 2

10 D2/F# A

sing praise. With a might-y hand and out-stretched arm, His

15 D

love en-dures for-ev - er. For the life that's been re-born, His love en-dures for-ev -

PRE-CHORUS

CHORUS

20 A E D2/F# 1,3 2,4 A

- er. Sing praise, sing praise. Sing For-ev - er God is faith

27 F#m7 E D

- ful, for-ev - er God is strong, for-ev - er God is with us, for-ev - er,

VERSE 3

33 *A* *Fine* *A*

for-ev - er, From the ris - ing to the set-ting sun, His

38 *D*

love en-dures for-ev - er. By the grace of God we will car - ry on, His

42 *A* *D.S. al Fine*

love en - dures for - ev - - er. Sing

Jesus Messiah

(as published by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Words and Music by Daniel Carson, Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash and Jesse Reeves

VERSE

B **C#m7** **B/D#**

J=86

1. He be-came sin, who knew no sin; that we might be - come His
(2.) bod y the bread, His blood the wine bro-ken and poured out,

E2(no3) **B** **C#m7** **B/F#**

right-eous-ness; He hum - bled Him-self, and car - ried the cross. Love so a-maz
all for love. The whole earth trem-bled, and the veil was torn. Love so a-maz

CHORUS

E2(no3) **B/F#** **E2(no3)** **B**

- ing, Love so a - maz - ing. Je-sus, Mes-si - ah;
- ing, Love so a - maz - ing.

E2(no3) **B** **F#sus**

Name a-bove all names; Bless-ed Re-deem - er; Em-man-u-el.

B **E2(no3)**

The Res-cue for sin - ners, the Ran-som from heav - en;

B/D# **F#sus** **B** **1** **2**

Last time to Coda

Je-sus, Mes-si - ah, Lord of all. 2. His All our hope

BRIDGE

is in You, all our hope is in You; all the glo - ry to You,

34 B/D# E2(no3) F#sus *D.S. al Coda* *Coda* B/G#

God, the Light of the world. Je-sus, Mes-si Je-sus, Mes-si -

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a vocal line, likely for a soprano or alto. It begins at measure 34. The key signature has four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#). The melody starts with a dotted quarter note G5 (B/D#), followed by an eighth rest and a quarter note A5 (E2(no3)). A triplet of eighth notes G5, F#5, and E5 (F#sus) follows. The melody then continues with a quarter note D5, a quarter rest, and a quarter note C#5 (B/G#). The piece concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign. Above the final measure is a 'Coda' symbol. The lyrics are: 'God, the Light of the world. Je-sus, Mes-si Je-sus, Mes-si -'.

ENDING

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O Master, Let Me Walk with You



1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

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