

SERMON

*What is a Good Conscience Worth?*

♦HYMN #450

*Be Thou My Vision*

***WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD***

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.**

**Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND COMMITMENTS

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Some God (Elevation)* New Hanover Band & Choir

♦RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #607

*Trinitarian Doxology*

♦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***SENDING***

□HYMN #726

*Will You Come and Follow Me*

□CHARGE AND BLESSING

□POSTLUDE

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**New Hanover**

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 14, 2023



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# New Hanover Presbyterian Church

*We Seek to Nurture Disciples of Jesus Christ to be Active Witnesses in the World  
to the Good News of God's Transforming Grace in Jesus Christ Our Lord*

The Lord's Day, May 14, 2023

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

❖ = Please stand in body or in spirit • Unison responses are in **bold print**

Greet each other in the name of Jesus and prepare for worship.

You may use this reading to assist you in your preparation:

*O God, form the minds of your faithful people into a single will.*

*Make us love what you command and desire what you promise,*

*that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found;*

*through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you*

*in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*

## ***GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER***

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder Larry Diebold

*Welcome Visitors!* ☩

PRELUDE

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 31

God rules by God's own power forever;

**God watches the nations.**

Stubborn rebels better not rise up against God!

**Praise our God, you nations.**

**Loudly proclaim God's praise.**

For God preserves our lives

and does not allow our feet to slip.

**For you, O God, tested us;**

**you purified us like refined silver.**

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*SONG

*Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me*

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Dr. Eric Douglass

CONFESSION OF SIN

**O Lord our God,**

**you call us to proclaim the gospel,**

**but we remain silent**

**in the presence of evil.**

**You call us to be reconciled**

**to you and one another,**

**but we are content**

**to live in separation.**

**You call us to seek the good of all,**

**but we fail to resist**

**the powers of oppression.**

**You call us to fight pretensions and injustice,**

**but we sit idly by,**

**endangering the lives**

**of people far and near.**

**Forgive us, O Lord.**

**Reconcile us to you**

**by the power of your Spirit,**

**and give us the courage and strength**

**to be reconciled to others;**

**through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.**

*(silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE #1

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*

## ***THE WORD***

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Dr. Eric Douglass

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:15-21

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Peter 3:13-22