

❖HYMN #69

*Here I Am, Lord*

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

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND COMMITMENTS

OFFERTORY *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (Phillips)*  
Samantha Flottman, Violin & Kayla Jarvis, Piano

❖RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #607 *Trinitarian Doxology*

❖PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*(Everyone who acknowledges Jesus as Savior and Lord is welcome at the table. Please come to the table up the west aisle – closest to Route 301 – and return by the east aisle. You may have to go through the back door to do this. If you are unable to come to the front, signal to the pastor or an usher and communion will be brought to you. Gluten-free elements are available.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### **SENDING**

❖CLOSING SONG

*Mighty to Save*

❖CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

❖POSTLUDE

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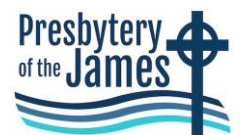
# New Hanover Presbyterian Church

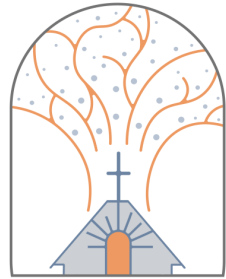


## Invite God Into Your Difficulties



New Hanover Presbyterian Church  
is a congregation of  
the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the  
Presbytery of the James. We welcome you!





# New Hanover Presbyterian Church

**Our Vision:** Make Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection relevant today

**Our Mission:** As a welcoming community of believers in Jesus Christ, we will unite our faith and works to share God's love

**Our Values:** Based on our understanding of the Bible, New Hanover Presbyterian Church believes that love, acceptance, inclusion, redemption, mercy and equity are values Jesus Christ taught and demonstrated.

The Lord's Day, April 7, 2024

The Second 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 use this prayer to prepare for worship.

*Lord Jesus Christ, I long to live in your presence, to see your human form and to watch You walking on earth. I do not want to see you through the darkened glass of tradition, nor through the eyes of today's values and prejudices. I want to see you as you were, as you are, and as You always will be. I want to see you as an offence to human pride, as a man of humility, walking amongst the lowliest of men, and Yet as the saviour and redeemer of the human race.*

Søren Kierkegaard 1813-1855

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson

*Welcome Visitors!*

PRELUDE

*Christ Arose (Phillips)*

Samantha Flottman, Violin

Kayla Jarvis, Piano

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

*From Psalm 46*

God is our refuge and strength,  
**A very present help in trouble.**

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;  
**God's voice is heard and, the earth melts.**  
"Be still," says the Lord, "and know that I am God!  
**I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."**  
The LORD of hosts is with us;  
The God of Jacob, Leah and Rachel is our refuge.

❖PRAYER OF ADORATION

❖HYMN

*How Great Thou Art*

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all.**

**We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives.**

**We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory.**

**Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.**

*(silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖RESPONSE OF PRAISE #592

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

## THE WORD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

LESSON FROM THE PROPHETS

Daniel 3:8-18

LESSON FROM THE GOSPELS

Luke 8:22-25

SERMON

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Elder Veda Gill