

SERMON

*Word-Speech-Thought-Act*

✦HYMN #450

*Be Thou My Vision (v 1-3)*

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

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

*(Donations for the PC/USA Cents-Ability offering will be collected today)*

OFFERTORY Pam O'Brien, flute and Kayla Jarvis, piano  
*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

✦RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #607 *Trinitarian Doxology*

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

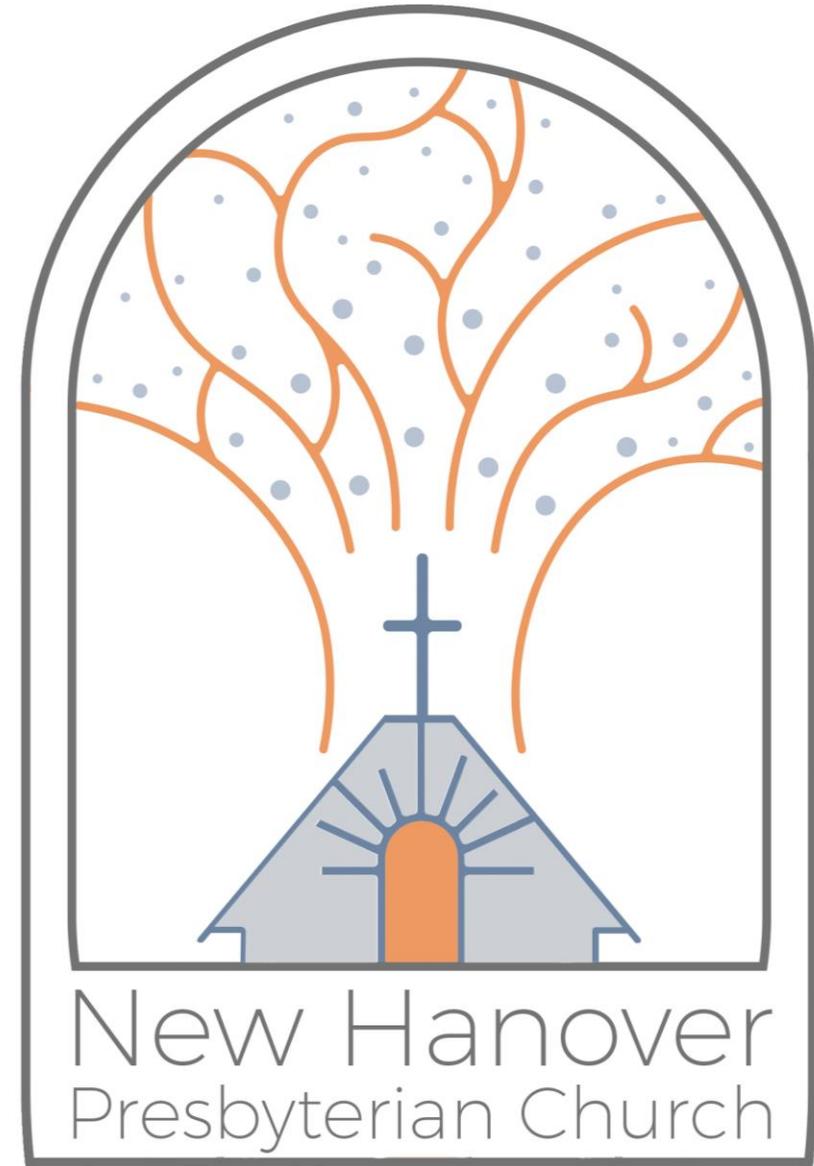
### ***SENDING***

✦SONG *The Blessing*

✦CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

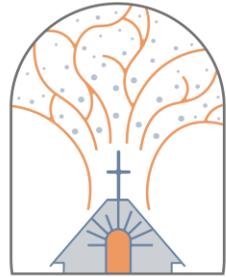
✦POSTLUDE

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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 21, 2024

The Fourth Sunday In Easter

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

Greet each other in Jesus' name and consider this reading as you prepare for worship.

*If you are spiritually weary and in search of rest,  
if you are mourning and you long for comfort,  
if you are struggling and you desire victory,  
if you recognize that you are a sinner and need a Savior,  
We welcome you here to God's glory and in the name of Jesus.  
To the stranger in need of fellowship, to those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
and to whoever will come, this congregation opens wide its doors  
and welcomes all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Spindler

*Welcome Visitors!*

PRELUDE

Pam O'Brien, flute and Kayla Jarvis, piano  
*Simple Gifts*

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*From Revelation 15*

Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty.

**Just and true are your ways, O Ruler of the nations.**

Who will not fear you, Lord, and bring glory to your name?  
**For you alone are holy.**

**All nations will come and worship before you.**

We come today to offer you our praise and thanksgiving.

**Accept the worship we offer in Jesus' name, Amen**

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*SONG

*Make Room*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Deacon Karen Chandler

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Eternal and merciful God,  
you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding,  
and you have set us on paths of righteousness  
for your name's sake.**

**Yet we have strayed from your way;  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
through what we have done and what we have left undone.**

**As we remember the lavish gift of your grace  
symbolized in baptism, O God,  
we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again.**

**Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin,  
and to rise daily to new life in Christ,**

**who lives and reigns with you,  
and in whose strong name we pray. Amen. *(silent prayer)***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*Response of Praise #1 v. 1

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

## THE WORD

Time With the Children

Prayer of Illumination

Lesson from the Psalter

Psalm 23

Lesson from the Epistles

1 John 3:16-24