

SERMON

*Blind Faith?*

\*HYMN #450

*Be Thou My Vision*

***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)*

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #607

*Trinitarian Doxology*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***SENDING***

\*HYMN #172, v 1-3

Blest Are They

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

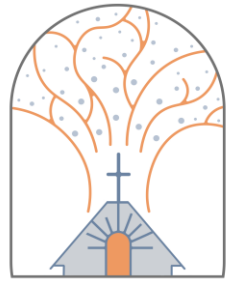
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Faith?



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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, June 16, 2024

The Fourth Sunday in Pentecost

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

Greet each other in Jesus' name and prepare for worship.

You may use this reading as we prepare for worship:

*Just as with the old or bleary-eyed and those with weak vision, if you thrust before them a most beautiful volume, even if they recognize it to be some sort of writing, yet can scarcely construe two words, but with the aid of spectacles will begin to read distinctly; so Scripture, gathering up the otherwise confused knowledge of God in our minds, having dispersed our dullness, clearly shows us the true God.*

John Calvin (1509-1564)

## **GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Clark

*Welcome Visitors!*

PRELUDE

Kayla Jarvis, piano

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

We give you thanks, O Lord, with our whole hearts;  
before the "gods" we sing *your* praise.

We bow down before you  
And give thanks for your steadfast love and faithfulness.  
On the day we called, you answered us  
And increased the strength of our souls.  
**Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever!**

❖PRAYER OF ADORATION

❖SONG

*Always*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Deacon, Karen Chandler

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Forgive us our sins, O Lord.  
Forgive us the sins of our youth  
And the sins of our age  
The sins of our soul  
And the sins of our body.  
Our secret and our whispering sins,  
Our presumptuous and our careless sins,  
The sins we have done to please ourselves,  
And the sins we have done to please others.  
Forgive us the sins that we know,  
and the sins that we know not;  
forgive them, O Lord,  
forgive them all because of your great goodness.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. *(silent prayer)***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE #63

*The Lord Is God*

## **THE WORD**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

LESSON FROM THE GOSPELS

Mark 4:26-32

LESSON FROM THE EPISTLES

2 Corinthians 5:6-17