LESSON FROM THE EPISTLES Gal. 3:23-29

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 8:26-39

SERMON Working in the Far Country

*HYMN #726 Will You Come and Follow Me? (v. 1,2,5)

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

Invitation to Offering

OFFERTORY God of the Sparrow

New Hanover Choir

*Response of Thanksgiving #607 Trinitarian Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

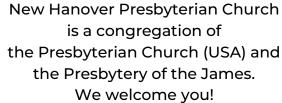
*HYMN #543 God Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Postlude

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Our <u>Vision</u>: Make Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection relevant today
Our <u>Mission</u>: As a welcoming community of believers in Jesus Christ,
we will unite our faith and works to share God's love

Our <u>Values</u>: 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 22, 2025

Third Sunday of Pentecost

* = 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.

Our Lord, You have called us to work in your field, Yet many in the field mock Your work and resist Your Word. But this does not change our mission. We Are called to plant...You do the harvesting We trust in You...

Amen

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder, Christy Presseau

Welcome Visitors!

PRFLUDE

Kayla Jarvis, Music Director

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord your God has called you to this community.

We gather to build up the church at New Hanover.

The Lord your God has called you to this town.

We pledge to reach out and support our neighbors.

The Lord your God has called you to this country.

We joyfully send relief to those in need, both far and near.

The Lord your God has called you to aid the stranger, no matter if this person is from our community or a distant country.

We work for God's peace in a world filled with resentment over those who are different from us.

The Lord calls us to places where we may not be welcome.

We remember our responsibility to bring God's Kingdom to all.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Song

Hosanna, Praise is Rising

CALL TO CONFESSION

Praveen Pulukuri, Seminary Intern

CONFESSION OF SIN

Our Lord:

You have called us to:

"Prepare the way for the Lord.

Make his paths straight."

Yet we have not prepared our hearts

for your coming, and our paths are crooked.

Forgive us.

Teach us to "do justice, to love kindness,

And to walk humbly with our God."

Then the paths we take will truly be straight,

And we will carry out your work for our world.

Amen.

(silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE #59

The Steadfast Love of the Lord (2x)

THE WORD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Children up to fourth grade are welcome to go to their Faith in Life class

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION