

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, reconciliation, mercy and equity* are values Jesus Christ taught and demonstrated.

THE LORD’S DAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

ORDINARY TIME

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

GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pam O’Brien

PRELUDE Kayla Jarvis, Piano

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM Rev. Anthony Saturno

❖CALL TO WORSHIP
We gather here to worship God.
We are here, with heart, soul and mind.
We gather here as Christ’s body.
We are neighbors, learning how to love each other.
The Holy Spirit gathers us in to be sent out again.
We are here to worship and to be transformed.
Let us worship the Triune God!

❖PRAYER OF ADORATION written by Martin Luther

❖SONG The Porter’s Gate | *In the Fields of the Lord*

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Barbara Campbell

CONFESSION OF SIN
Holy God, we are often good at following rules while neglecting the heart of your commandments. We place ourselves in the congregation of the righteous, but take our seat among the scoffers. We seek approval of our friends, family, and others whose opinions we value, forgetting that our call is to please you, above all.

**You call us to be holy, but we settle for self-righteousness.
You call us to be impartial, but we cannot shed our biases.
You call us to love our neighbors, but we have been satisfied to keep them at arm’s length.
You created us to love you with soul, heart, and mind, but we have held parts of ourselves back.**

Have mercy on us, God. Watch over our ways, redirect our paths, and help us love you with abandon — heart, soul, and mind. Make us instruments of reconciliation and transformation as we seek to follow your law of love, made known to us in Jesus Christ.
Amen.
(silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
❖RESPONSE OF PRAISE #1 (vs. 1) *Holy, Holy, Holy*

THE WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES
PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION
LESSON FROM THE GOSPELS John 13:3-17
LESSON FROM THE EPISTLES Galatians 4:1, 13-14
SERMON *The Neighborhood is Always Reforming Us*

❖HYMN #315 (vs. 1-3)

In The Midst of New Dimensions

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

The Lost Dogs | *Blessing In Disguise*
Trinitarian Doxology

❖RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #607

❖PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

❖HYMN #313

Lord, Make Us More Holy

❖CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

❖POSTLUDE



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the Presbyterian Church (USA) and
the Presbytery of the James.
We welcome you!



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