THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
EASTER SUNDAY
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 12, 2009                        11:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME

Organ Prelude

The Approach to the Tomb
    Prayer
    The Resurrection Story: Mark 16:1-6b        Page: NT 54

    Call: The Lord is risen!
    Response: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Handbell Prelude:
    “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”        arr. Wagner
    Colonial Chimers
Greeting:

The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Life and Work of the Church

Welcome, friends and members

Nursery care available in Education Building

Restrooms found in Education Building

Prayer requests for offering plate

Fellowship Hour following worship

Announcements – please use microphone

A Time of Greeting

Steeple Bell
*Choral Introit:

Lift High the Cross

Words by George William Kitchin
and Michael Robert Newbolt, alt.

Refrain: Choir and Congregation

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till
all the world adore his sacred name.

Stanzas

Choir 1. Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod, the
Choir 2. Each newborn servant of the Crucified bears
Choir 3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, your
Choir and Cong. 4. So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise

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Handbells: Minerva Lermond,
Shirley Knox
*Call to Worship:*
  The Lord is risen!
  The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*Responsive Prayer of Adoration:*
  Glory to you, O God:
  on this day you won victory over death,
  raising Jesus from the grave
  and giving us eternal life.
  Glory to you, O Christ:
  for us and for our salvation you overcame death
  and opened the gate to everlasting life.
  Glory to you, O Holy Spirit:
  you lead us into the truth.
  Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity,
  now and forever. Amen.

*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.

*Hymn:  #123  “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination


A Scripture Conversation

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11     Page: NT 176

Sermon:  “Wondrous Cross”
God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

Anthem: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”  G. Martin  
The Choir

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts
Offertory: “Now the Green Blade Rises” arr. Moklebust
   Colonial Chimers
Reception of Offerings by Ushers
*Presentation
*Doxology (#592)
   Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
   Praise God all creatures here below;
   Praise God above ye heav’nly host;
   Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.
*Prayer of Thanks

Pastoral Prayers

   GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Hymn #118 “The Day of Resurrection”

*Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Steeple Bell

Organ Postlude

You may recycle your bulletins in the basket at the back of the Meeting House.
**Childcare**

Child Care for infants is available. Please see an usher for directions. Children ages 2 and above may exit after the Scripture Conversation for Someplace Else (in the CE Building) or remain in worship. Children of any age are always welcome in worship.

**Worship Assistance**

Please see an usher to receive hearing assistance, a large print bulletin or bible, or a personal seat cushion.

**Prayer List:**

**Nursing Home and Hospital**

**The Arbors at New Castle:**  
Arline Olds  
32 Buena Vista Dr, New Castle, DE 19720  
phone: 302-326-4121

**Cokesbury Village:**  
Isabel Klein  
726 Loveville Rd, Hockessin, DE 19707;  
Attn: Rm 1026 phone: 302-235-6017

**Prayers for:**
Special Gifts Memorial Case:
*William Anthony
1926-2004
Ida M. Scott
1909-2003

This morning, our Ushers are:
*Bill Quillen, Mary Pratt

Someplace Else: Yueming Guo
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| Nancy Rowland       | In Honor of All the Saints of New Castle Presbyterian Church  |
|                    | In Honor of Laurie & Bob Smith                                |
|                    | In Honor of Janice C. Rowland                                 |
|                    | In Memory of Richard H. Rowland                               |
| Bruce & Kay Gordon | In Honor of Outreach and Mission and Meals on Wheels Volunteers |
| Tom McDowell & Nancy Coning | In Memory of Family and Friends                          |
| Anita Johnson      | In Memory of Ralph Johnson and                               |
|                    | In Memory of Loved Ones                                      |
| Jim & Susan Flook  | In Memory of our Parents and Grandparents                     |
| Dan & Candy Dunson | In Memory & Honor of Loved Ones                               |
| Bill & Marcia Quillen | In Memory of Jim Quillen                                        |
| Susan Bishop       | In Memory of Jerome Bacchetti                                 |
| Rick & Chris Fagles & Family | In Memory of George & Peg Twyford & Jean Fagles |
| Linda Bennett & Kim Beebe | In Memory of David W. Turner                                 |
| Frances A. Handy   | In Memory of Loved Ones                                      |
| Dana Lambert & Steve Handy | In Memory of My Mother Antoinette Marshall & My Grandparents |
| Chuck & Joan Smith | In Memory of Loved Ones                                      |
| Monty & Ellie Gerhart | In Memory of Loved Ones                                      |
| Dean & Lynn MacEwen | In Memory of Loved Ones                                      |
| Earl & Janet Reed  | In Memory of Loved Ones                                      |
| Dick & Ginny Appleby | In Memory of Loved Ones                                      |
| Karen, Danika & Zach Dobson | In Memory of Buddy Dobson                                      |

IF YOU CHOOSE TO DO SO, PLEASE PICK UP YOUR FLOWERS AT THE END OF THE SERVICE
What is One Great Hour of Sharing? If you’re like many of us, it’s one of those traditions you think everyone else understands, so you don’t ask. And a tradition it is—there are a fair number of congregations that will receive the offering for the sixtieth time this year. But even in those congregations there are people who don’t really know what it is.

It started in 1949, when a lot of Christian leaders, seeing the devastation that World War II had left in much of the world, recognized both a responsibility to our sisters and brothers and an opportunity to witness to a loving God. They organized an hour-long nationwide radio broadcast on the last Saturday evening in March in which some of the best-known stars of the day highlighted the needs and invited people to give through their church the next morning. The response was overwhelming, so the offering was held again the next year, as it has been every year since.

Over the years, the offering’s mission has grown from simply emergency relief and rebuilding after disasters such as wars, earthquakes, and floods to addressing many kinds of human
suffering, from the sudden to the chronic. Increasingly it has included focusing on the root causes of this suffering, so that the solutions can be sustained after our attention moves on to other communities. At first most of this work was done through Church World Service, which was then the relief and development arm of the National Council of Churches.

Within the PC(USA), this evolution was accompanied by the addition of new programs to the offering. In the 1970s, both Self-Development of People and the Presbyterian Hunger Program were added as One Great Hour of Sharing ministries. Since that time the Presbyterian Disaster focus was reorganized as Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. As each of these programs has evolved, more of the ministry Presbyterians support with their gifts has been done by these three programs while we continue to work with other denominations through Church World Service. The ministries of these three programs address a wide spectrum of human suffering from the acute to the chronic, from offering short-term relief to addressing root causes.

Even today, however, the offering continues the tradition it has maintained throughout its history—standing with our partners in the face of suffering, walking with them toward a more hopeful future, and witnessing to the love of God in Jesus Christ in tangible ways that proclaim in word and deed that they are not alone. You are invited to join this great tradition of sharing resources that truly changes lives.
Mission and Outreach

“Love bears all things.” 1 Corinthians 13

The Bear Ministry has begun! The purpose of this ministry is to offer love and support to someone in need through the gift of a teddy bear who has worshipped with us at NCPC. You are welcome to take a bear to anyone who is ill or experiencing a life crisis. The bears come with a note that reads:

This special bear worshipped with us at New Castle Presbyterian Church. It has heard our scriptures, prayers, songs, and sermons. Our congregation has loved it and now it comes to you with our blessings. It brings prayers of love, peace, and joy to you today and always.

The bears are nestled in a basket at the rear of the Meeting House. If you take a bear, please sign it out in the Bear Registry Book.

We are accepting donations of new bears in all shapes and colors. The fuzzy friends should be about the size to next inside a shoebox. There is a box in the entryway leading to Fellowship Hall. We will attach tags and move the bears to the sanctuary.
Friendship House

Every Sunday morning, scores of homeless men and women find a hot breakfast and fellowship, thanks to a 14-year-old program at the Friendship House in Wilmington.

The breakfast, supplied by community and church volunteers such as the Mission and Outreach Committee of New Castle Presbyterian Church, is served at the parish hall of the Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew. Guests are invited to an optional chapel service after the meal.

Most weeks, about 125 people come inside for a meal, but that number is expected to increase as unemployment and financial pressures create more hungry families in our communities.

In addition to the breakfast program, the Mission and Outreach committee is supporting the Friendship House Mother’s Day Garden event. Janet Spring and others will soon tell members about how they can remember a special mom by making a donation to support the Friendship House’s gardening project.

Mission and Outreach
Karen Dobson, Susan Lipp,
Alecia Swasy, Janet Spring,
Barb Whisman, Conchita Showell,
Sue Townsend, Ellie Gerhart
& Cynthia Robbins
Hold the Dates

The Christian Education Committee will be hosting “A Night at the Blue Rocks” on June 25 and “A Day at the Shore in Avalon, NJ” on Saturday, August 15.

Cemetery Dedication

Have you noticed the beautiful restoration of our cemetery? The iron fence has been repaired and painted, the gateway has been re-hung, the trees have been trimmed, and the access road has been repaved. Much of the restoration has been provided by Kerry Rhoades of Forged Creations in Delaware City. There will be a special dedication service of this labor-intensive work on Sunday, April 26, when coffee fellowship after worship will be held at the cemetery! Plan to join us that day and give thanks to God for the restoration work and those who made it possible.
This Week’s Schedule

SUNDAY 4/12  EASTER SUNDAY
6:30am  Sunrise Service @ Wharf
11:00am  Worship & Someplace Else Colonial Chimers
12:00pm  Fellowship Hour

Monday 4/13  OFFICE CLOSED
7:00pm  Deacons

Wednesday 4/15  1:00pm  Bible Study
7:30pm  Choir

Thursday 4/16  5-6:00pm  Lit. Vol Tutor
6:45pm  Colonial Chimers
7:00pm  Al-Anon
8:00pm  Celebration Ringers

Saturday 4/18  8:00am  Tai Chi

SUNDAY 4/19  9:30am  Adult Bible
11:00am  Worship & Someplace Else
12:00pm  Fellowship
12:45pm  Youth Fellowship