

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

October 25, 2009

11:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Organ Prelude

The Life and Work of the Church

Welcome, friends and members

Please sign welcome folders

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

Call to Worship

Hear, O people, the Lord our God is one.

We will love the Lord our God with all our heart.

Hear, O people, the Lord our God is one.

We will honor the Lord our God with all our souls.

Hear, O people, the Lord our God is one.

We will worship the Lord our God with all our minds.

Hear, O people, the Lord our God is one.

We will serve the Lord our God with all our strength.

***Hymn: #457 “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”**

***Prayer of Adoration**

***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.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus, you taught us to love God with all our heart.

But we love our family, friends, and comforts more.

Lord Jesus, you taught us to love God with all our soul.

But we devote our souls to the things we enjoy.

Lord Jesus, you taught us to love God with all our mind.

But we study our school books or computer programs more than we study the Scriptures.

Lord Jesus, you taught us to love God with all our strength.

But we use our strength to be better than others.

Lord Jesus, you taught us to love our neighbor as ourselves.

But we neglect the needs of others.

Forgive us, Risen Christ.

Give us courage to obey your commandments.

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

***Sung Response: #579 “Gloria Patri”**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost!**

**As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson: Ruth 1:1-18

Page: OT 241

Anthem: “Psalm of Celebration”
The Choir

Hayes

A Scripture Conversation

Gospel Lesson: Mark 12:28-34

Page: NT 49

Sermon: “*Promise Me*”

***Hymn:**

**“Looking Back, O God We Wonder” HYMN TO JOY
A Hymn Celebrating the 350th Anniversary of the
New Castle Presbyterian Church**

**Looking back, O God we wonder
of that time in history
When the early settlers gathered,
building this community.
Children did their chores and played here;
men and women worked the land.
Sundays, Lord, they knelt and prayed here,
seeking your protecting hand.**

**Looking to your love, we worship
as your people long have done,
Sharing bread and Word and friendship,
singing praises to your Son.
Bricks of old are such a treasure,
well-worn pews proclaim our past;
But your love beyond all measure
is the treasure that will last.**

**Looking out, we see our neighbors,
and – in each one – Jesus' face.
God, we offer you our labors
so that all will know your grace.
As we witness all around us,
as we welcome strangers in,
As we help those lost and homeless,
your church welcomes you again.**

**Looking on to where we're going,
God, we wonder what will be;
Yet we trust your Spirit, knowing
you will guide our ministry.
You give each new generation
ways to praise you, work to do;
God, be with this congregation
as we keep on serving you.**

Tune: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824

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Ordination and Installation of Officers

Presentation of Candidates

Renunciations and Affirmations

***The Apostles' Creed:**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Questions to Candidates

Questions to Congregation

Prayer and Laying on of Hands

Declaration of Ordination/Installation

Welcome

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

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: #260** "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

*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** (a lesson and activities 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:

32 Buena Vista Dr, New Castle, DE 19720
phone: 302-326-4121

Arline Olds

Cokesbury Village:

726 Loveville Rd, Hockessin, DE 19707;
Attn: Rm 1026 phone: 302-235-6017

Isabel Klein

Prayers for:

The Flowers are given to the glory of God by:

Nanette Nichol

In Memory of Loved Ones



Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Russell H. Rausch

1910-1966

Major C. Ransom

1937-1967

This morning, our Ushers are:

Mark & Laurie Powell

Someplace Else (Children's Bible Study and Activities):

Yueming Guo & Janet Spring

Worship Leader: Bev Stoudt



Looking for Pennies

Noon Circle can put your extra pennies to a good use. When we have collected as much as \$100.00 in pennies, they are donated to Friendship House. So if you have extra pennies, we would be glad to accept them for this worthy year-round project. You may slip them into a plastic bag and hand them to our treasurer, Gisele Vonrhein, or place them in the Noon Circle church mailbox, and many thanks.



Clothing Bank

What a wonderful supply of clothes, shoes, and outerwear! Your support to this ongoing ministry of Friendship House was greatly appreciated. Besides providing adequate clothing for the needy, the Clothing Bank of Delaware also provides an opportunity for job training for women. We would also like to thank those members who helped bring all the clothing downstairs.



Calling All Homemade Soup and Bread Makers

We need your help again to make those delicious soups and breads for the 2009 Spirit of Christmas celebration and also your homemade pickles, jams and jellies. (Note: Please bring only fresh soup, no frozen.) Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board in the Christian Education Building. These items may be brought to the C. E. building on Friday, December 11 from 8:30 - 3:00, or any time on Saturday, December 12 after 8:30 a.m. Containers, lids, and labels for the soup will be in the kitchen by **November 1**. Please place the labels on the lids to be seen from the top.

There are separate sheets for you to choose a time to help with the sales. If you can donate a couple of hours to help with this, please put your name in one of the time slots.

Thank you!



Spread the Good News!!

Volunteer to distribute door hangers in a nearby neighborhood in the next few weeks, and spread the good news about New Castle Presbyterian Church. The Congregational Life and Membership Committee have developed attractive new literature giving nearby residents the basic story about our congregation and its ministries, with an invitation to try us out! Now all we need are willing walkers to hang them on door knobs! Get some good exercise and get the word out at the same time! Reprinted door knob hangers are now available in a box in the outer office.



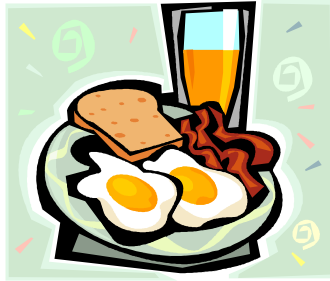
Ditty Boxes

We are so happy to see that the "cars" have disappeared from the Seaman's Center poster and supplies are already filling the box. Later this month we will be filling up the ditty boxes. Ellie Gerhart will set up a date and time if you would like to volunteer to help fill and wrap the ditty boxes. We thank you for your continued generosity.



CROP Walk

We would like to thank all of the walkers and their sponsors for another successful CROP Walk. The weather was not as bad as expected and we had a great group of walkers. If you sponsored one or more of our walkers, please make sure your donation is paid on or before November 7th. Please make checks payable to **CWS/CROP**. (If you sponsored more than one walker, you can just write one check. The money is turned over in one lump sum.) If you don't see your "walker" in church, you can give your donation to Sue Townsend or Janet Spring. Our walkers were Sue Townsend, Linda Bennett, Joan Smith, Nancy Rowland, Janet Spring, and the Martin-Robbins family. If you pledged money to "any teenagers", please give your donation to Katie Martin. Thank you again for supporting this worthwhile cause. Joan Skilton, the CROP Walk coordinator from New Castle United Methodist Church, will give us a final tally of our donations later this year.



Friendship House Breakfast

We served breakfast at the Friendship House 8th and Shipley location this morning. We would like to thank all those members who volunteered to serve and all those members who contributed food or money for the breakfast. Your efforts are truly appreciated by the individuals we serve. On a very happy note, Dewey has "graduated" from Corner House and moved into his own place. Two years ago in December when we were serving breakfast, Dewey had a cancerous growth on his face that started bleeding and would not stop. Jo Viola was volunteering that day and took care of Dewey and convinced him to wait for the ambulance to take him to the hospital. He agreed to treatment and now his cancer is in remission. Praise God for all his blessings great and small!

ONE SHOT SERVICE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 25



For the first time, our youth fellowship will be participating in a Presbyterian youth event in the Wilmington area. Ten churches are gathering today to serve the needs of these valuable ministries: Andrew's Place/Women's Day Center, Clothing Bank of Delaware, Urban Promise, Habitat for Humanity, Friendship House, and various men's and women's shelters.

The churches participating are: Red Clay, Calvary, First & Central, Elsmere, Trinity, Westminster, Concord, Hanover, Limestone, and New Castle!

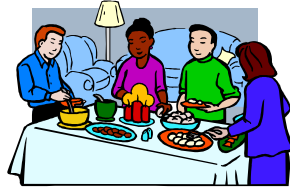
No one, not even the Extreme Makeover Home Edition team, can build a house in 3 hours. The goal is to engage youth in making a connection with a community ministry, to better understand the need and the response this ministry makes. Shampooing a carpet, or organizing a tool trailer, or planting bulbs or scrubbing kitchen cabinets may not seem like much of an accomplishment --- but it does make a connection. It does make the needs of the poor and the response of the faithful real. And it does get kids -- all of us -- drawn out of ourselves, with our eyes, and our hearts, a bit more open.



Spirit of Christmas Craft Sign Up Sheets

There are two sign up sheets for craft items on the easel in the CE Building. If you have a craft that you are bringing to the Spirit of Christmas in December, please let us know what you are bringing and how much to charge for it. If you have an idea for a craft that any interested people could get together and work on as a group, please use the other sign up sheet and let us know the name of the project and best date/time/location for working on this project. This is a wonderful means of fellowship and a great way to get to know members of our congregation. We have many talented people in this group, so even if you are all thumbs, please sign up and we will help you every step of the way.





Stewardship Brunch

Sunday, November 1, 2009 12:15 p.m.

If you have not already been called by an officer by October 25 to place your reservation, please call the church office at 302-328-3279 or sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

PROGRAM

**“For Such a Time as This”
at New Castle Presbyterian Church**

Child Care Provided

**Our future mission at this church depends upon
your whole-hearted support!**

Members are to bring:
a breakfast casserole, a side dish, a salad, or
breakfast breads.



Stewardship thought for the week...

*What blessings in your life
has God provided you?*



Think of several blessings personal
to you!!!!

*Is your commitment of your
time and talents an equal
response to how God has
blessed your life?*



This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	10/25	7:00am	Friendship House Breakfast
		9:30am	Adult Bible Study
		11:00am	Worship & Someplace Else
			Installation of Officers
		12:00pm	Fellowship Hour
		12:15pm	Resource Development
		1:00pm	One Shot Service Sunday
Monday	10/26		Meals on Wheels
		7:00pm	Session
Tuesday	10/27		Meals on Wheels
		7:00pm	Spirit of Christmas
Wednesday	10/28		Meals on Wheels
		7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	10/29		Meals on Wheels
		5:00pm	Literacy Volunteer
		6:45pm	Colonial Chimers
		7:00pm	Al-Anon Meeting
		8:00pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	10/30		Meals on Wheels
Saturday	10/31	8:00am	Tai Chi
SUNDAY	11/1	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
		11:00am	Worship & Someplace Else
			Lord's Supper
		12:15pm	Stewardship Brunch