

New Castle Presbyterian News

February 2012



Souper Bowl

The Mission and Outreach committee sponsored a “Souper” Bowl Drive during the month of January. Please bring **cans of soup** to the collection boxes in the Meeting House and CE Building as soon as possible. Your donations will be taken to the Code Purple program of Friendship House on February 5th, Super Bowl Sunday. For further information, contact Janet Spring.

Kitchen Cleanup



The kitchen needs a good clean up. We need some volunteers to come on February 25th at 10:00 a.m. We will have coffee, tea, and food while we work. Thank you in advance for your help.

- Susan O. Townsend



Ecumenical Lenten Suppers

Join with your friends in New Castle to observe the season of Lent. We will gather February 29 through March 28 for Wednesday evening fellowship suppers at 6:00 pm, followed by a presentation by the host church. Participants are free to go by 7:30. We begin on February 29 at New Castle Presbyterian Church. A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hall to volunteer to help with this event. For further information, contact Ellie Gerhart (328-0908) or Marcia Quillen (656-5799).



Pencader Presbyterian Church to Close

At the January 21 Stated Meeting of New Castle Presbytery, a motion was approved to grant the presbytery's Administrative Commission for the Pencader Presbyterian Church original jurisdiction with authority to dismiss the Session and proceed to make recommendation to the presbytery regarding the dissolution of the church. This was done upon the request of the Pencader Session.

Every human being and institution has a life-cycle that needs to be recognized and honored. At the presbytery meeting, each congregation was given a candle to be burned in our worship in honor of the 300 year witness of Pencader Presbyterian Church. We are then invited to join them for a final worship service on February 19 at 2:00 pm. At that service, our candles will stand together as a witness to our mutual faith through the centuries. Plan to be there in support and faith!

Tom Euston Advances to Candidacy

Also at the January 21 Stated Meeting of presbytery, Tom Euston was examined for candidacy in his preparation for the ministry of Word and Sacrament in the PCUSA. Tom spoke movingly of his faith journey and was then approved by the presbytery as candidate. He was immediately commissioned to that new stage of preparation by the vice-moderator of presbytery, Susan Holben. Pastor Nancy delivered the charge to the candidate, and Tom's pastor Laurel Brundage of Pencader Presbyterian Church delivered the prayer for candidacy. Tom served us in 2010-2011 as our seminary student in field education. Congratulations, Tom!!

Christian Education Committee Announces...

An Evening of University of Delaware Women's Basketball



Thursday, February 9

7:00 PM

UD vs. Old Dominion

Tickets: \$5.00 each



Name

Number of Tickets _____ x \$5.00 = _____

Due to Amy or Scott Selheimer by Feb. 5, 2012

Newark Area Welfare
Committee



January 2012

Dear Members, Staff and Friends of New Castle Presbyterian Church,

The Newark Area Welfare Committee thanks you for your generous donation of 15 turkeys to our Christmas Food Basket project for needy families in the greater Newark Area. Also \$90.00 was donated with which we were able to purchase 13 additional turkeys, making a total of 28.

Your efforts together with local school children and their families, other church congregations, a Girl Scout troop, University Greek societies, Senior Center members, the state social service center, small and large businesses, and over 170 individuals made creating 341 full baskets of food a wonderful gift for families and individuals. This was a community-building event for Newark.

This year we were also able to put together 135 "To Go Bags" for the Empowerment Center which is a Newark branch of Friendship House. We also were able to help some Meals on Wheels recipients who are able to prepare at home. Our help to VA Hospital patient's families was expanded and, new this year some National Guard families also received food baskets.

Food was collected in many creative ways. Concerts were held, Christmas movies were sponsored in order for donated food to be the cost of admission. Contests were held in schools, and Greek societies competed to collect food. Store discounts were given if food was donated. Pre-school children collected and gave away stuffed animals to children who came with their parents to pick up their food baskets on December 17.

All the families and individuals who received your gift of food were very grateful for your help. We pass along their smiles and "thank yous" to everyone at New Castle Presbyterian Church.

Sincerely,
Beverly Stoudt
Polly Sierer
Christmas Basket Co-Chairs



Meals on Wheels

HELP! We need Meals on Wheels delivery people for 2012. Call Susan Flook at 328-7346 if you are interested. Substitutes needed, too. No weekend deliveries. Thanks. Consider this as your call in Christ!

Our next delivery will be February 13-17. If anyone is interested in delivering meals to shut-in Seniors in the New Castle area, please contact the office at 302-328-3279.

Monday 13
Shirley Knox

Tuesday 14
Joan Smith

Wednesday 15
Carol & Gene
Mayhew

Thursday 16
Cynthia Robbins
Nanette Nichol

Friday 17
Susan Flook
Ruth Moore



Monthly Report

Look here each month for a statistical report on the life of the congregation:

Membership:

December	179
January	179

Income thru 1/08/12:

2012 Budget:	\$243,382.00
2012 Actual:.....	\$246,899.00

Expenses thru 1/08/12:

2012 Budget:	\$243,382.00
2012 Actual:.....	\$238,345.00

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

Dot Campbell, 2/1
Nanette Nichol, 2/1
Gary Graham, 2/5
Dana Monzo, 2/14
Phyllis Stallard, 2/20
Eileen Dunham, 2/21
Cynthia Robbins, 2/25
Zarina Stone, 2/25
Joan Smith, 2/27



Ray & Lynn Snyder, 2/7
Amy & Scott Selheimer, 2/14
Judy & Bill Hentkowski, 2/15
Kathryn & Charles Potter, 2/17
Joan & Bob Appleby, 2/23



FEED THE HUNGRY HOMELESS Youth Event

The Youth Fellowship will assemble "To-Go" Lunch bags for the homeless on **Sunday, February 26** in the church fellowship hall beginning at 1:00 pm.

They need your help!! Please contribute one or several of the following items:

Protein Source (microwavable pasta meal, soup, tuna, etc.)
Granola Bar
Beverage
Crackers with cheese or peanut butter
Applesauce or individual fruit cup
Spoon
Napkin

All expiration dates should be **3 months or more** from February 26. Thank you for helping our youth and feeding the homeless!

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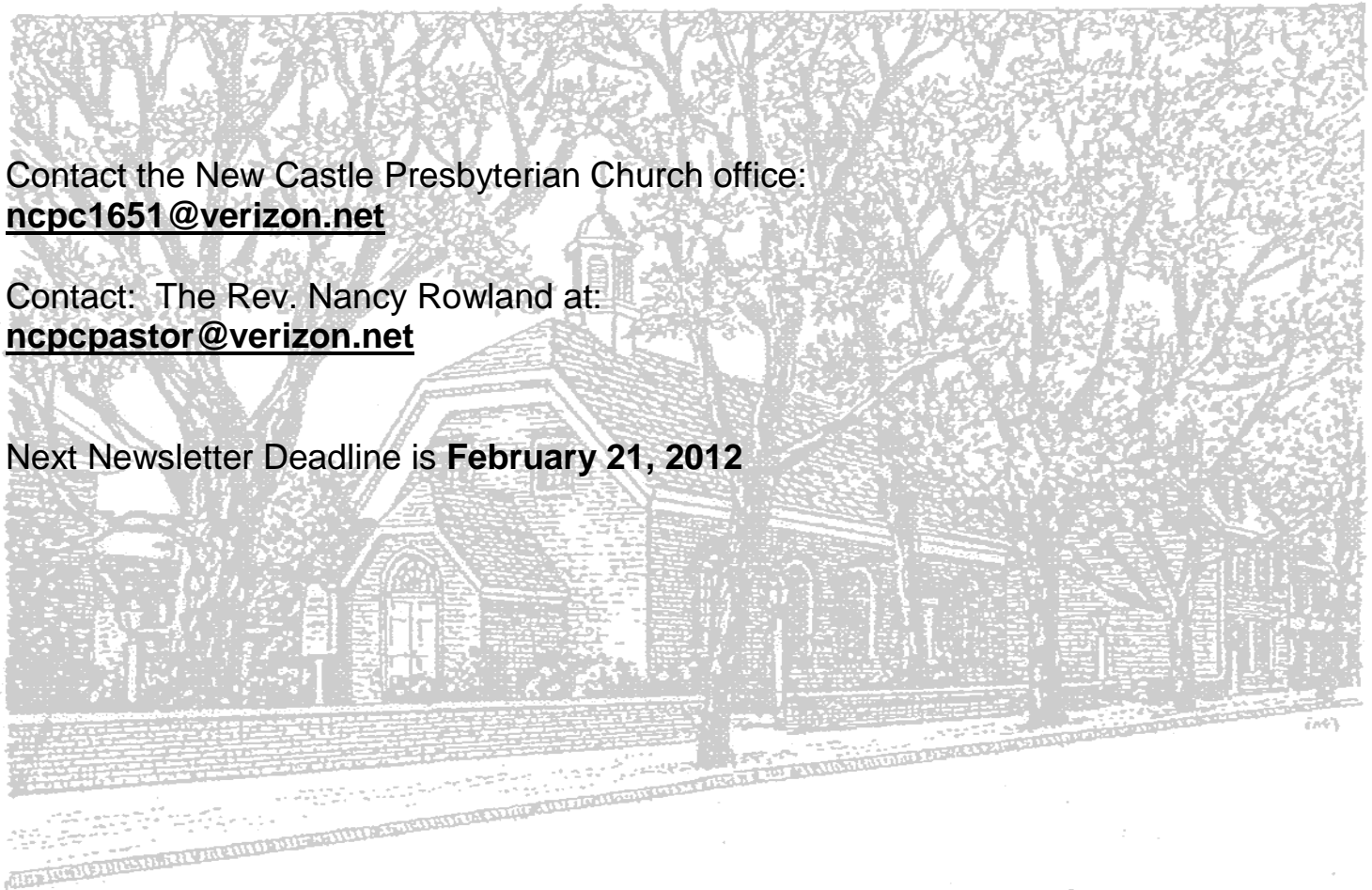


Address Change
Requested

Contact the New Castle Presbyterian Church office:
ncpc1651@verizon.net

Contact: The Rev. Nancy Rowland at:
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Next Newsletter Deadline is **February 21, 2012**



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