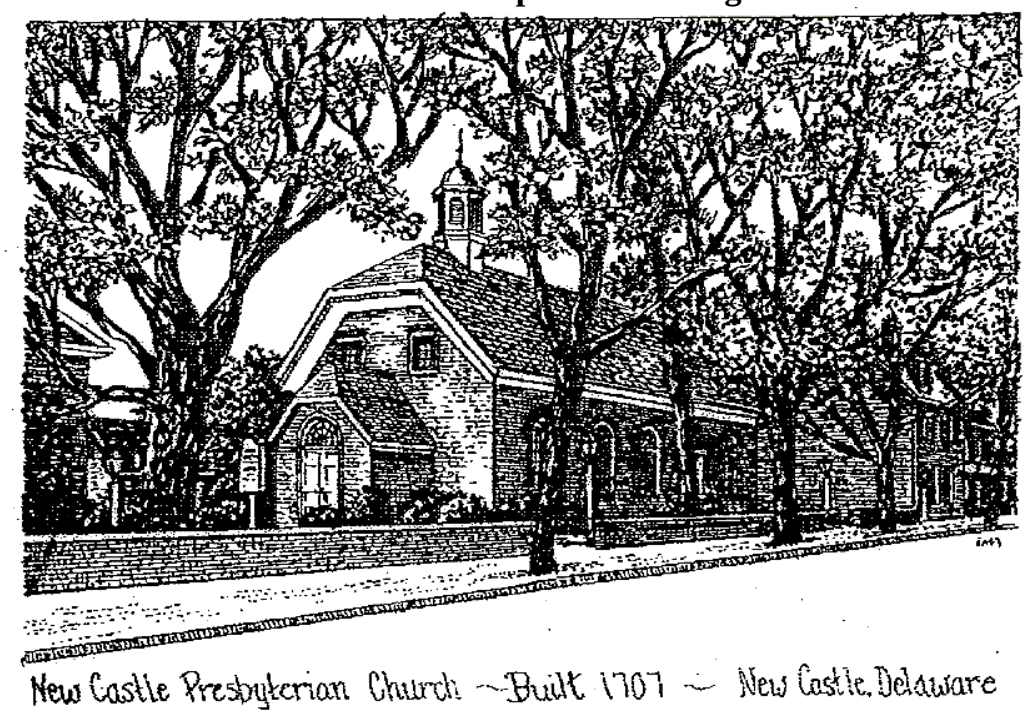
New Castle Presbyterian Church

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Our Mission

New Castle Presbyterian Church offers a nurturing and supportive church community
where all are welcomed to join in prayer and song, study and service
as all are called to demonstrate understanding, compassion, and acceptance.

By God's Spoken Word and Holy Spirit, we seek to live out the Gospel of the Risen Christ, as we grow spiritually, in strength, and with inclusiveness.
We worship God in simplicity and with clarity; we study God's Word to direct our lives;
and we nurture the young and the searchers in our midst.

As a congregation and in cooperation with others,
we engage in service and outreach with the local community and the world.
We work to feed, clothe, and shelter our brothers and sisters
while sharing the selfless and forgiving love of Jesus Christ.

As we have been blessed, we seek to use all that we have to bless others with this good news of grace and joy.

Welcome to New Castle Presbyterian Church!

In person and via livestream, we gather as a faith community, seeking and serving the God we know in Jesus Christ. May this worship service remind you that you are God's own and that together we are called to live out God's way of love, justice and peace.

A little help - Please see an usher to receive any assistance, including a seat cushion.

Nametags – We encourage everyone to use the nametags available in the Meeting House entrance during worship and coffee hour. Please return to their box in Fellowship Hall.

Restrooms are located in the Education Building, at the far end of the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday School and Nursery will be offered today. Children begin in worship; worship bags are available at the entrance. Following the Scripture Conversation, babies through four-year-olds may go to nursery; children age Kindergarten through 5th grade may go to Sunday School. Please see an usher for a registration form or if you have any questions.

At the end of worship, please join us for Coffee Hour in the Fellowship Hall.

Worship "code": * = please stand if able **bold** = all speak together

Gentle Reminders:

Please turn off all cell phones.

Parking spaces on 2nd Street are for accessible parking only.

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:30am-12:30pm

Pastor Miriam's day of rest is Monday

Forget your Offering Envelope?

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Prayer List:

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 suzieflook@hotmail.com or Fran Ginger, 302-994-5988 silverfran@aol.com

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New Castle Presbyterian Church
24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 8, 2026 10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude **Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation** arr. Cindy Berry
Bethany Faiz - Piano

Welcome & Words about The Life and Work of the Church
Greeting of Peace

As Jesus greeted his disciples, so let us greet one another:
The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**
Please wave at your neighbors and extend Christ's greeting, "Peace be with you".

Steeple Bell
Choral Introit

Call to Worship *(from Psalm 78)*

Give ear, O people, to the Lord's teachings.
We incline our ears to the words of God's mouth.
We open our lips in parables; we repeat stories from of old.
We tell of things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.
We will tell them to the coming generation. **Let us proclaim the glorious deeds of the Lord and the wonders that God has done!**

***Hymn #10** **Sing Glory to the Name of God**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you call us to faithful living, giving ourselves to you and to one another in Christ's name. Yet sin prevents us from following your directions. We pursue our own self-centered goals. We worship the false gods of efficiency and control. We place our hope in things that cannot last. Forgive us. Wash over us with your grace. Give us ears to hear your call and faith to follow where Christ leads… *(Time for silent prayer.)*

Assurance of Pardon

Let us proclaim the Good News together:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

***Response #582**

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. (sing 3x)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

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PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Choral Anthem **Keep Your Lamps** John Leavitt

Bethany Faiz - Piano

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Don't get weary til your work is done. Don't stop prayin' til your work is done.
Christian journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

Stewardship Moment **Kim Beebe**

Scripture Conversation with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, you are our dwelling place. In you we find our rest; in you we find our purpose. Gather us in under the shelter of your wing. Calm our minds and fill our hearts with your love. Restore us to your path and call us again to faithful discipleship. Amen.

Scripture Lesson **Mark 4:35-41** **Page: NT 39**

35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." 36 And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. 37 A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. 38 But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion, and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" 39 And waking up, he rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Be silent! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. 40 He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" 41 And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" *This is the Word of the Lord.* ***Thanks be to God.***

Scripture Lesson **Philippians 4:6-7** **Page: NT 198**

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
This is the Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Sermon *The Peace of Christ*

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

***Hymn #822 When We Are Living**

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory **Be Still My Soul/ Come, O Thou Traveler** Unknown

Mary Fontinha - Flute

***Response #607**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore.
Praise triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Most astounding God, you guide us through harsh deserts and grant us safe crossings across stormy seas. You satisfy our hunger and quench our thirst with righteousness and mercy. May our giving reflect the goodness of your many gifts. Bless these offerings to your work of love. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn #465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

***Charge & Benediction**
Choral Benediction
Steeple Bell
Postlude **Rejoice, the Lord is King** arr. Lloyd Larson

Bethany Faiz – Piano

Please remain seated through the Postlude. As you exit, you may recycle your bulletin in the basket at the door. Join us after worship for coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall.

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Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Nancy Kersey
Ushers: Lindy & Sandy Ballance
Nursery: Rachel Handy-Hayes/Chris Fagles
Coffee Hour: Session
Counters: Amy Selheimer/Mike Smith
Sunday School: Mallory Mackie/Jane Fouracre

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Barbara Ransom-Kuczmarski ***1934 - 2021***

Robert S. Appleby ***1932 - 2018***



YOUNG(ISH) WOMEN – COLOR, SIP, & FELLOWSHIP
This Sunday, join us for a fun and relaxing afternoon of coloring, sipping wine, and enjoying sweet fellowship after coffee hour. Let's take a break from the busyness of life to connect, laugh, and encourage one another in faith and friendship. Whether you're looking to make new connections, unwind, or simply enjoy some time with amazing women, this gathering is for you! Bring your creativity, your favorite wine, and an open heart as we share in the joy of each other and God's love. No artistic skills required—just come as you are! We will have coloring pages for everyone!

STEWARDSHIP SEASON – PLEDGE SUNDAY ON NOV 15
Our 2027 Stewardship Season kicked off last week. Christ's peace surpasses our understanding, reminding us that God remains present and faithful even in the midst of life's greatest challenges. Remember to bring your pledge cards, as well as prayer slips for peace, next Sunday, Nov. 15!

NCPC YOUTH GROUP – NOVEMBER
Wednesday, November 11: we'll go shopping for Thanksgiving basket items! We appreciate your help because it's a lot of items! We'll meet at NCPC at 2 p.m. and should be wrapped up by 4.
THEN on Sunday, Nov 15: We'll leave at 1 p.m. to Milford for a "Mixers and Mission" Presbytery event.

CONGREGATIONAL PHOTO: NOV. 15
It's time to update our congregational photo. At the end of worship on November 15, NCPC members and friends are invited to gather on the Meeting House floor for a NCPC family photo. Say cheese!

HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS: NOV. 15
We have new NCPC ornaments! They will be available for purchase during coffee hour on Nov 15th and 22nd and during Spirit of Christmas on Dec 12th. They are just $10 each (cash or check). Grab them while you can. Contact Gina Kouma with any questions. 717-781-3435

FAMILY GAME NIGHT: NOV. 21
Congregational Life is planning another All-Ages Game Night on Saturday, Nov. 21 from 6-8 p.m. Bring a snack to share and your favorite game! RSVPs to Gina Kouma or sign up in the Fellowship Hall by April 15

ALL-AGES SUNDAY SCHOOL
What could possibly top October's Genesis Family Fun Sing-Along Show!? Well, come out on Sunday, November 22, for our next All-Ages Sunday School event - *All Good Gifts: NCPC's Hidden Talents Show!* If you have a hidden talent that you might like to share, please reach out to Pastor Miriam by November 15.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS: NOV. 23
Mission and Outreach is again giving 30 Thanksgiving Baskets to three local elementary schools for families who need our support for a Thanksgiving meal. We will be buying all of the food but would love some volunteers to help assemble these baskets of love. Date: Monday, November 23 at 9:30 AM here in the CE building. No need to sign up - hope to see some of you there.

BAGELS AND BLESSINGS: NOV. 26

Join us Thanksgiving morning for our annual Bagels and Blessings. Before the day gets crazy, stop by the Fellowship Hall from 8-9 AM for fellowship and breakfast. ALL are welcome. Bring your family. Bring your neighbor. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall so we know how many bagels to buy, but last minute friends are always welcome. Contact Gina with any questions: 717-781-3435

FIRST & CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES

First & Central Presbyterian Church in Wilmington is now open each Saturday from 6:00 - 10:00 am to people experiencing homelessness. Folks may come in for a rest, warmth, a hot meal, coffee & snacks, a place to charge their phones, and even a shower. Here is the link to sign up. Even if there are no spots open - please just show up! There's always plenty for volunteers to do.
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090849ADA829A7FD0-51684439-winter#/
Questions? Please reach out to Amy Selheimer (302-584-0982) Donations needed: shampoo, deodorant, toiletries; new underwear and socks; gently used sweats, pants, t-shirts, shoes, and sneakers.

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER ON A SUNDAY MORNING

Interested in ushering? Sign up online here: https://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/on-line-signups
If you haven't ushered before, do not fear! When you arrive at 10 a.m., a handy-dandy checklist takes you through the steps of preparing our space to welcome folks to worship God. Reach out to Elders Jen Dunham or Sarah McCann to learn more.

SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION – ANITA JOHNSON

The sympathy of the congregation surrounds the loved ones of Anita Johnson who died to this life at the age of 101 on October 18. Anita and her husband, Rev. Ralph Johnson, came to NCPC in 1963, and throughout their joint ministry, Anita was an active member of our congregation. Anita's memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 5th at 2:00pm at Cokesbury with Pastor Miriam officiating.

This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	**11/08**	**10:30am**	**In-Person & Live Stream Worship**
		11:30am	**Coffee Hour**
		12:00pm	**Deacon's Meeting**
		12:00pm	**Youngish Women Gathering**
Monday	**11/09**	**9:00am-4:30pm**	**Private Counseling - in the library**
Tuesday	**11/10**	**5:30pm-6:45pm**	**Homeschool/Community Band**
		7:00pm	**Session Meeting**
		7:00pm	**Promises of AA Meeting**
Wednesday	**11/11**	**11:00am-2:00pm**	**Private Counseling - in the library**
		2:00-4:00pm	**Youth Thanksgiving Basket shopping**
		3:00pm	**Bible Study**
		7:30pm	**Choir Practice**
Thursday	**11/12**	**7:00pm**	**Celebration Ringers**
Saturday	**11/14**	**10:00am**	**Monthly Mtg – Battell & Read Chapter**
			- NSDAR
SUNDAY	**11/15**		**PLEDGE SUNDAY**
		10:30am	**In-Person & Live Stream Worship**
			- Congregational Photo
		11:30am	**Coffee Hour**
		12:30pm	**Mission & Outreach Meeting**
		12:00pm-2:00pm	**Youth Group – Milford**
		5:30pm	**Community Open Mic Night**

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SESSION

2027	2028	2029
Julie Barry	Jennifer Dunham	Cindy Beam
Sarah McCann	Chris Fagles	Melissa Boris
Amy Selheimer	Gina Kouma	Peter McCurdy
Clerk of Session: Scott Selheimer		

Session meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month

DEACONS

2027	2028	2029
Julia Spock	Mary Anne Brundage	Mariellen Edinburg
Beverly Stoudt	Teisha Fooks	Heather Raezer
	Nan Wallace	Connie Reese

Deacons meet the 2nd Sunday of the month

TRUSTEES

2027	2028	2029
Gary Graham	Marshall Freund	Rob Barry
Kelly McCurdy	Mike Smith	Brendan Mackie

Trustees meet the 3rd Monday every other month (Sept/Nov/Jan/Mar/May)



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MORE LIGHT
PRESBYTERIANS