

New Castle Presbyterian Church

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New Castle Presbyterian Church ~ Built 1707 ~ New Castle, Delaware

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!

Whether you are worshiping with us in-person or joining via livestream, we gather today as a community of faith, 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.

For folks joining us for in-person worship,

Please take basic COVID precautions with us. Masks are encouraged but not required in the Meeting House and Education building.

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

Children are always welcome in worship! Worship Bags are available for children at the back of the Meeting House.

If your family needs to step out of the Meeting House for a time, there is a livestream feed available in the Fellowship Hall

Nursery Care for Children (0-4 yrs) is available in the Education Building, on the 2nd floor. An usher will be glad to direct you.

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

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

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

Gentle Reminders:

Please turn off all cell phones.

Parking spaces on Second Street in front of the Meeting House are for handicapped parking only.

Please put your bulletins in the basket at the door as you leave – we recycle!

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Pastor Miriam's day of rest is on Mondays.

New Castle Presbyterian Church
Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Open My Eyes, That I May See
Bethany Faiz – Piano

arr. Larry Shackley

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

Blessing and honor be to our God forever!

Glory and might be to our God forever!

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

The choirs of heaven join us in singing: Alleluia!

***Hymn #826**

Lift High the Cross

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Generous God, in Jesus you have shown us love, love that seeks, love that suffers, love that survives all things.

You call us, even command us, to show that love in our lives.

Yet we turn away from what you would have us do.

We confess that the ways of love are not our ways.

We deny and ignore, hurt and hate, despise and reject.

Have mercy on us. Help us to receive your love so that we can love others. Help us to receive your love so that we can love ourselves...

(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 #240 (refrain, sung twice)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give praise to his name

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word.

Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life. Christ is risen! Alleluia! Amen.

Scripture Lesson

John 21:1-19

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After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ² Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the

sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³ Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴ Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶ He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸ But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹ When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten

a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.”¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Scripture Conversation with Children

Celebration of New Members – Phee Price

Welcome

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you to this congregation.
May God bless this new beginning, as we grow our faith and live as
disciples of Jesus Christ together in this place!**

Sermon

“Practice Resurrection”

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Open Thou Mine Eyes

by Benjamin Harlan

Bethany Faiz - Piano

Open Thou mine eyes and I shall see. Open Thou mine ears and I shall hear. Incline my heart, I shall desire, order my steps and I shall walk the ways of Thy commandments. O Lord my God be Thou to me a God that I may love You, that I may serve You, that I may worship You and adore You, that I may follow You, that I may look to You. Amen.

***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**

Living Lord, you meet us in unexpected places and surprise us with the abundance of your love. May these gifts reflect your generosity and goodness, and may our lives witness to your grace. Feed us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit so that we may follow you this day and always. Amen.

Communion and Prayers of the People

Invitation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

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.

Words of Institution

Partaking

Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn #498**

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

***Charge and Benediction**

Choral Benediction

Steeple Bell

Postlude

Hope For God's People
Bethany Faiz - Piano

arr. Patti Drennan

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

Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Conchita Showell

Nursery Volunteers: Molly Shaw & Lyn Briggs

Ushers: George & Aaron Spock

Communion: Chris Fagles

Counters: Peter McCurdy &

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Sarah Culp
1907-1958

Carol S. Wiley
1914-1994



COFFEE HOUR PRESENTATION – TODAY

Join the Mission and Outreach committee for a presentation by the Guatemala Project Steering Committee on their first trip to Guatemala since the pandemic began. See and hear about the success of the projects we've helped to fund and new opportunities to empower women. A little taste of Guatemalan chocolate will add some fun!

MEMBER UPDATE

NCPC member Mary Pratt is moving to an assisted living facility on Long Island to be closer to family. We don't yet have her new address to share, but we do have a card to bless her as she relocates. Please take a moment to sign her card during coffee hour.

SEND-OFF FOR ZARINA STONE

On May 8, we'll bless and send off our high school senior, Zarina Stone. Join us for the celebration, and take a moment to sign the card for her today during Coffee Hour. Zarina Stone, who was baptized before us in 2010, will graduate from Wilmington Friends School on June 4. This Fall, she'll attend Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, where she plans on majoring in Applied Mathematics. At WFS, she's has sung in the school's Chamber Singers, performed in dramas and musicals, and competed on the varsity Swimming and Tennis teams. She has served as a Deacon, is a board member of the New Castle Public Library, and taught riflery as a junior counselor at her summer camp. Her mother, Kris Stone, and loving friends and family can't wait to see what she accomplishes next!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS

We are in need of ushers and worship leaders this summer. Please sign up today:
<https://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/on-line-signups>.

We are still looking for nursery volunteers for this spring. Please contact Molly Shaw - mollypaige1@aol.com - to sign up. All volunteers need to complete child protection training and pass a background check.

A DAY IN OLD NEW CASTLE – SATURDAY, MAY 21

Help us welcome visitors to the Meeting House by signing up for a greeter slot below. We will provide informational brochures for self-guided tours.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090944ABA928A3F94-meeting>

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME – SUNDAY, MAY 22

Join NCPC at the Blue Rocks game for their 1:05 game! Tickets are \$16 each and going fast! Please email Jen Dunham (hunterbear80@hotmail.com). Payments may be made either with a check made payable to NCPC or cash (exact change please). Tickets are available on a first come basis. Look forward to seeing you there!!!

FALL RETREAT: BESIDE STILL WATERS (SEPT 23 – 25)

Come enjoy and worship in God's beautiful creation with NCPC at Pocomoke State Park from Friday, September 23 through Sunday, September 25. (Join us for part of the time or the whole weekend; read the brochure for more details!)

RSVP by May 22 by filling out this form: <https://forms.gle/1pXvdU2zNcKYbyLt7>

NOW HIRING: PART-TIME CHILDREN AND YOUTH DIRECTOR

Help us share the Good News of Christ with our youngest members! NCPC's Children and Youth Director position includes teaching Sunday School for children ages K-5, coordinating seasonal events for children of all ages, and planning activities for middle and high school-aged youth. Anticipated start on August 28, 2022.

A full job description is available on our website.

HIGHMARK WALK FOR FRIENDSHIP HOUSE

Join NCPC on June 11th for the in-person Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community! This is an annual 5k walk that Highmark puts on for local non-profits so that they can receive 100% of the proceeds. Please join us for this 5k walk on the Riverfront and/or make a donation! If you're not available to join us in person, virtually walk with us from wherever you are and send in a picture! To join NCPC's walk team, register here:

<https://tinyurl.com/yknytsmb>

Prayer List:

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 suzieflook@hotmail.com

Continuing Care Homes / Hospitals:

Joan Smith

Kentmere Rehab & HC
1900 Lovering Avenue
Wilmington, DE 19806

Barbara Quillen

Cokesbury
HealthCare Rm 2010
726 Loveville Road
Hockessin, DE 19707

At Home:

Kathy Griffin-Graham

323 Oregon Avenue
New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 324-9944

Anita Johnson

726 Loveville Road,
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Hockessin, DE 19707
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Janet Reed

106 Colesbery Drive
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(302) 328-6749

Mary Pratt

113 E. Main Street
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(302) 328-7273

Doug & Linda Twyford

513 East Roosevelt Ave.
New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 328-6824

Judy Hentkowski

128 E. 2nd Street
New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 328-8266

Lisa Raker

15 Blue Jay Drive
Newark, DE 19713
(302) 266-7474

Mary Duncan

1323 Richard's Alley
Wilmington, DE 19806
(302) 888-0282

On Assignment with the Coast Guard:

George Spock

1346 Crocker St.
Coos Bay, OR 97420

This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	05/01	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship & Communion
		11:30am	Coffee Hour
		12:00pm	Guatemala Project
		1:00pm	CE Committee
		3:00pm	Nominating Committee
Monday	05/02		
Tuesday	05/03		
Wednesday	05/04	7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	05/05	1:00pm	Bible Study
		7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	05/06		Brownies Due
Saturday	05/07	9:15am	Emmanuel Dining Room Prep
SUNDAY	05/08		MOTHER'S DAY
		10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Coffee Hour
		12:00pm	Deacons Meeting

Pastor Miriam will be at the Sprunt Lectures at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Monday, May 2 – Wednesday, May 4

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Shirley Knox, Recording Secretary

Bethany Faiz, Accompanist

SESSION

2022	2023	2024
Kim Beebe	Candy Dunson	Rob Barry
Melissa Boris	Steve Martin	Chris Fagles
Connie Reese	Beverly Stoudt	Greg Fogarty
Ray Snyder	Jim Whisman	Scott Selheimer

Session meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month

DEACONS

2022	2023	2024
Jane Fouracre	Lindy Ballance	Salina Brett
Nanette Nichol	Liz Parziale	Susan Fogarty
Janet Spring	Conchita Showell	Sandy Wilson

Deacons meets the 2nd Sunday of the month

TRUSTEES

2022	2023	2024
Steve Handy	Dan Dunson	Lyn Briggs
Joan Lioi	Mary Fontinha	Gary Graham
Peter McCurdy	Gail Seitz	Barbara Whisman

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