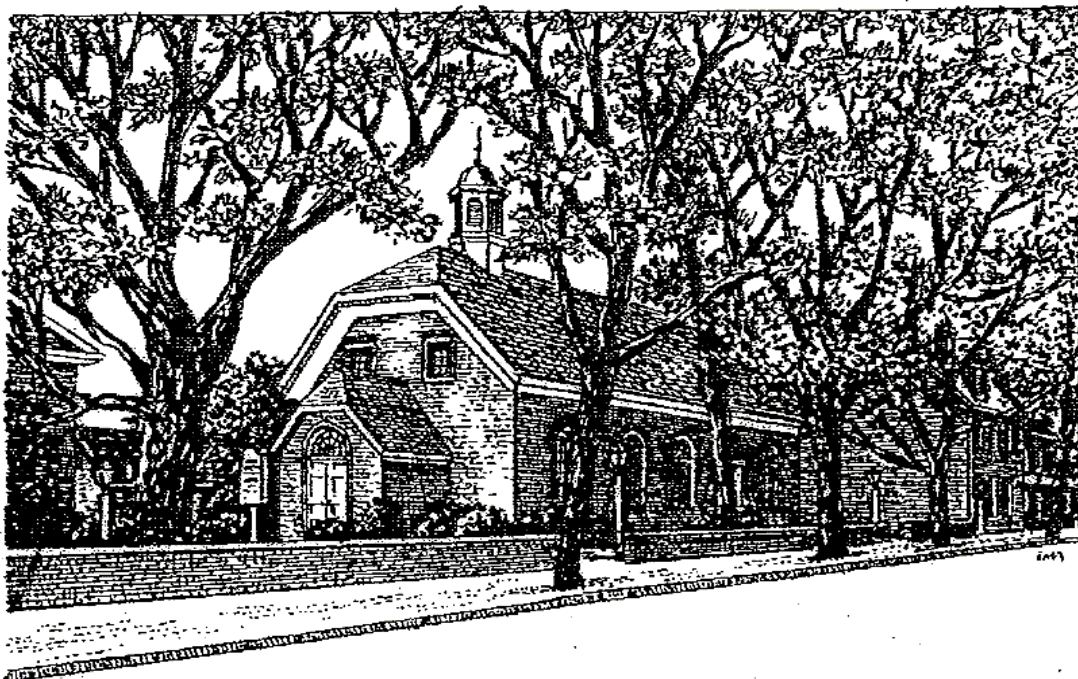


# New Castle Presbyterian Church

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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,**

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

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

**Children are always welcome in worship!** Worship Bags and children's bulletins are available 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 and "pray ground" in the Fellowship Hall.

**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 in front of the Meeting House are for handicapped parking only.

Please put your bulletins in the blue recycle can 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  
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 6, 2023

10:30 a.m.

**GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

**Prelude**

Michael Hunter - 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**

**Call to Worship**

We come, carrying just what we need for the journey.

**We come, bringing whatever we have to offer.**

Five loaves and two fish.

**Our time, our talents, our gifts.**

We come, knowing God will multiply our offerings.

**In God's hands, what we have is enough.**

**Let us worship God!**

\*Hymn #634

To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

Refrain



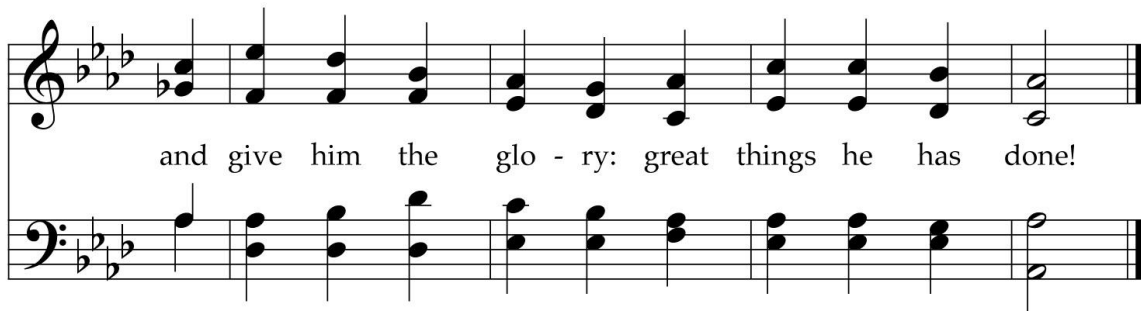
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!



O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,



and give him the glory: great things he has done!

This American gospel song became popular in England in the late 19th century, then returned to this country in the mid-20th century with the Billy Graham crusades. Its continuing popularity may well be due to the freedom from subjective considerations in its praise of God.

TEXT: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1875  
MUSIC: William Howard Doane, 1875

TO GOD BE THE GLORY  
11.11.11 with refrain

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Generous God, you freely offer us all we need.**

**You offer us the bread of life, so we may never be hungry again.**

**You offer us living water, so we will never thirst.**

**But we scoff at your gifts, wasting our money, time, and energy on things that do not satisfy.**

**Forgive us and call us again, reminding us of your gifts of new life that are ours if we would only accept them...**

*(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**

### **Prayer for Illumination**

**O God, who calls us to healing and wholeness, prepare our hearts to receive your invitation of restoration – with you, with one another, and with ourselves. In the sharing of your word, give us the space to wrestle with our questions and our pain, even as we find assurance in your presence and power. For the sake of Christ our Savior, Amen.**

## Scripture Lesson

## Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup> When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” <sup>17</sup> They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” <sup>18</sup> And he said, “Bring them here to me.” <sup>19</sup> Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup> And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

## Scripture Conversation with Children

### Sermon


*“Team Effort”*

# GIVE THANKS TO GOD

## \*Hymn #498


## Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)  
F Dm B $\flat$



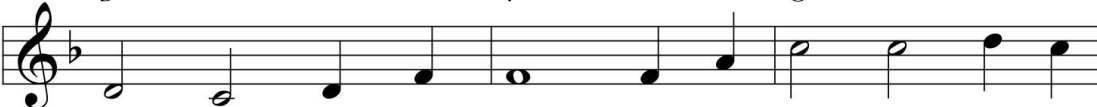
1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the Gal - i -  
2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a qui - et  
3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in faith we  
4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your

(D) (Bm)  
F Dm




le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of Life from heav - en, was their  
room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you  
gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the a - ges: "I am  
name to share bread for which the mil - lions hun - ger, words that

(G) (D) (A)  
B $\flat$  F C



food for - ev - er - more.  
came as Light from Light. By your bod - y bro - ken  
with you; do not fear!"  
tell your love and care.

(Bm) (F $\sharp$ m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)  
Dm Am Dm B $\flat$  C F



for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Je - sus, feed a -

(Bm) (G) (D)  
Dm B $\flat$  F



gain your peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

The first two stanzas of this text deal with events in the past (the feeding of the multitude and the Last Supper) and the final two with events in the present. The recurring last four lines of each stanza serve as an affirmation of Christ's continuing presence at all times.



## Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Michael Hunter - Piano

**\*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**

**Almighty God, your Son, Jesus Christ, fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the Word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace and move through these offerings to spread your abundant love throughout creation. 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

*Please come forward to receive the sacrament by intinction,*

*dipping your piece of bread into the cup.*

Prayer

# GO IN GOD'S NAME

## \*Hymn #526 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a  
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one; at the ta - ble he  
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a



shout of joy: bread is bro - ken; the wine is poured;  
sets the tone, teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,  
world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:




Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
love in word and in deed ex - press. Je - sus lives a - gain;  
God (Im - man - u - el) ev - ery - where!



earth can breathe a - gain; pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

*Maracas and other rhythm instruments may be used.* 

This "communion calypso" (as the author called it) affirms the continuing presence of Christ both in the sacramental meal and in the lives of Christians. Because this text was written to fit a pre-existing tune, it has a rather telegraphic style that encourages pondering.

## **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **Steeple Bell**

### **Postlude**

Michael Hunter - Piano

*Please remain seated through the Postlude.  
As you exit, you may recycle your bulletin in the basket at the door.*

### ***Thank you for serving today:***

Worship Leader: Jane Fouracre      Counters: Jennifer Dunham/Mary Fontinha

Communion: Lyn Briggs

Ushers: Marshall Freund & Connie Reese

Pianist: Michael Hunter

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

*Alice Irene Eberly*  
*1922-1973*

*Arline M. Olds*  
*1913-2012*



### **CHILDREN IN WORSHIP**

Nursery Care and Sunday School are on hiatus over the summer. Children are welcome to remain in the Meeting House during worship. (Worship bags and children's bulletins are available in the Narthex.)

If families need to step out during worship, a "pray ground" and livestream are available in the Fellowship Hall.



### **SUNDAY MORNING LEADERSHIP**

We are in need of **ushers** and **worship leaders** in the coming months. Take a moment [to sign up](#) today!

## **YOUNG-ISH WOMEN'S GATHERING**

We're launching a fellowship group this fall for women between the ages of ~25 and 50. Our inaugural gathering will be on Sunday, August 6 following coffee hour. Let Pastor Miriam know if you're able to attend or would like to be included on the list for future gatherings.

## **COMMUNION WORKSHOP - AUGUST 20**

Attention Communion Servers for 2023-2024:

Mark your calendar for Sunday, August 20th. Right after church, Pastor Miriam and Amy Selheimer will lead a refresher on Communion directions for set up, serving and cleaning up. The meeting will be quick - hope you can join us!

## **NCPC SUMMER BOOK STUDY**

Help us wrap up this past year's theme of storytelling and dive into deeper discussion of what evangelism (sharing of the good news) looks like today! Check out Yaconelli's [Between the Listening and the Telling](#)\* this summer, and join Pastor Miriam for discussion and lunch at noon on Thursday, August 24, at Connie Reese's house. All are welcome! Please RSVP to Pastor Miriam by August 20. \*Copies are available through the library.

## **KITCHEN DEEP CLEAN**

On August 26th, the Board of Deacons will be doing a "deep clean" in the Christian Education Building kitchen. Besides the cleaning, there will be some reorganization of cabinets and drawers to better suit the needs of communion, coffee hours, and special events. New labeling will also be provided. If you are interested in helping the Deacons, please contact Sandy Wilson, Lindy Ballance or Janet Spring. We do realize the kitchen is a small work area so we may be assigning "work time" opportunities for those interested.

## **FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH - FALL RETREAT 2023**

Come enjoy and worship in God's beautiful creation with NCPC at [Pecometh Camp](#) from Friday, September 22 through Sunday, September 24. (Join us for part of the time or the whole weekend; read the brochure for more details!) Congregational Life has reserved space for tent camping, a pavilion for group meals, and worship space for Sunday morning. Cabins and nearby hotels are available for personal reservation too!

RSVP ASAP by filling out this form: <https://forms.gle/ywMXhBo9fqeDnvH97>.

## **JOIN A NCPC COMMITTEE THIS FALL**

NCPC's Session has five committees – Christian Education, Congregational Life, Mission and Outreach, Resource Development, and Worship. They consist of Elders and congregational volunteers who oversee much of our church's ministry. Reach out to Clerk of Session Scott Selheimer or Pastor Miriam to learn more and connect with a committee chair!

## **MENTORING THIS FALL – A CHILD NEEDS YOU**

Our mentoring program with local schools was put on hold during the pandemic, but we're gearing up to get started again this fall. Creative Mentoring provides the needed training for you to make a difference in a child's life. Mentoring involves only half an hour to an hour once a week with a child who may be in need of only a caring adult to listen, play games, talk to or help with school work or organizational skills. This is not tutoring, it's more of an opportunity for a child to connect with a caring adult.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor, email Candy Dunson - [ddunson2@aol.com](mailto:ddunson2@aol.com).

## **LGBTQIA+ TASK FORCE**

While June is formally the month of Pride, our call to love all of God's children is year-long! Members of New Castle Presbytery are organizing a "Covenant Conversation" event to support the people and congregations of our presbytery as we seek to become more authentic and creative in our welcome, affirmation and support of LGBTQIA+ people. The date has been set for Saturday, November 11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Presbyterian Church of Dover. If you are interested in being a part of planning for the event or wish to learn more about participating, please contact the [office](#).

## **SEAMAN'S CENTER – CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

For those of us who love a good off-season bargain, it's never too early to be shopping for the Seamen's Center Christmas at Sea! Hats, glove, scarves and socks are always needed and personal items for the ditty boxes like combs, toothbrushes, deodorant, lotion, shaving cream, etc. can be dropped off in the box in the CE entryway any time.

## **Prayer List:**

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 [suzieflook@hotmail.com](mailto:suzieflook@hotmail.com)

## ***Continuing Care Homes / Hospitals:***

### ***Joan Smith***

Kentmere Rehab & HC  
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Wilmington, DE 19806

### ***Rod Denison***

Cadia Rehab Capitol  
1225 Walker Road  
Room 132A Holly Unit  
Dover, DE 19904

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### ***Kathy Griffin-Graham***

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(302) 324-9944

### ***Anita Johnson***

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Hockessin, DE 19707

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### ***Mary Duncan***

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### ***Linda Twyford***

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### ***Judy Hentkowski***

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### ***Robert Lindfors***

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### ***George Spock***

USCGC Scheuerman  
PSC 851 P.O. Box 11620  
FPO AE, 09834

## ***On Assignment with the Air Force:***

### ***James Boyle***

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JBPHH, HI 96860

***This Week's Schedule***

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>08/06</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship &amp; Communion</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Sidewalk Coffee Hour</b>
		<b>12:30pm</b>	<b>Young-ish Women Gathering</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>08/08</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>08/12</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b>
		<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Private Event</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>08/13</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Sidewalk Coffee Hour</b>

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**Kris Krawczyk, Admin. Assistant**

**Eileen Larkin, Dir. of Music**

**Dan Knox, Treasurer**

**Minerva Lermond, Dir. of Handbells**

**Shirley Knox, Recording Secretary**

**Bethany Faiz, Accompanist**

## SESSION

2023	2024	2025
Candy Dunson	Rob Barry	Melissa Boris
Steve Martin	Chris Fagles	Jennifer Dunham
Beverly Stoudt	Greg Fogarty	Connie Reese
Jim Whisman	Scott Selheimer	

*Session meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month*

## DEACONS

2023	2024	2025
Lindy Ballance	Susan Fogarty	Toni Marley
Liz Toto	Julia Spock	Janet Spring
Conchita Showell	Sandy Wilson	

*Deacons meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month (except in April it will be April 2)*

## TRUSTEES

2023	2024	2025
Dan Dunson	Lyn Briggs	Marshall Freund
Mary Fontinha	Gary Graham	Mike Smith
Gail Seitz	Barbara Whisman	

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

