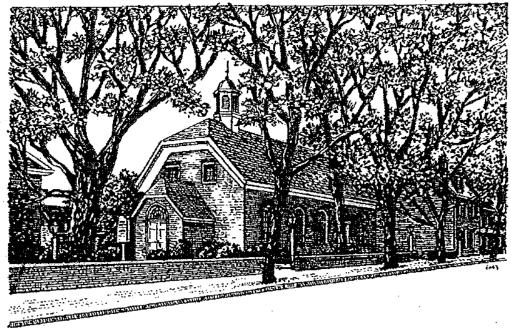
# New Castle Presbyterian Church

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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!

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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 handicapped parking only.

#### **Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday 8:30am-12:30pm Pastor Miriam's day of rest is Monday.

#### **Praver List:**

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 <a href="mailto:suzieflook@hotmail.com">suzieflook@hotmail.com</a> or Fran Ginger, 302-994-5988 <a href="mailto:sizieflook@hotmail.com">sizieflook@hotmail.com</a> or sizieflook@hotmail.com</a>

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## New Castle Presbyterian Church Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 5, 2025

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

We gather from the west to the east, from the south to the north.

We gather to celebrate the God of peace.

We share in the Spirit who consoles us and encourages us.

We share in the Spirit who instructs us and calls us together as the body of Christ.

The God for whom we have waited is among us.

The God of our ancestors is here. Let us worship the Great I Am!

## **Come All You People** (repeated)





This short gathering song (based on a text adapted from Psalm 95:6) is a great favorite among children in Zimbabwe, and it is frequently used as a processional song for worship. The choir enters singing, the congregation picks up their excitement, and soon all are singing.

#### **Call to Confession**

## **Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, we confess to you that we are not of the same mind. We do not share the same love. We act in selfish ambition and do not regard others with the same grace that we extend to ourselves. We have put our needs before others. Forgive us. Continue to be at work in us as we embrace the humility of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, that we might serve each other as you served us and reflect your glory in this world... (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 Together at the Table of the Lord by Jan McGuire

Amy Shimmin – Flute, Bethany Faiz - Piano Music by John Purifoy

Together at the table we join our hearts as one, to share a holy moment just as others long have done. Remembering our Savior, reflecting on God's love, with grateful hearts we gather round the bread and cup.

The saints who've gone before us once did the very same. They broke the bread together as they prayed in Jesus' name. Together at your table, Lord, we come to honor you. And just as you commanded, in remembrance, this we do.

Now gathered at your table, unite our hearts as one. To share this holy moment just as others long have done. We will remember you, the body and the blood. We share this holy moment now together at the table of our Lord.

### **Prayer for Illumination**

Faithful Lord, present in sorrow, present in hope, meet us in our lament and longings with space to seek you, that we may not forget that your steadfast love never ceases and your Spirit forever flows. Come, O Holy Spirit, spark our memories and our imaginations today. Amen.

## **Scripture Lesson**

2 Timothy 1:1-14

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Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup> Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup> For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup> and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup> Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. *This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.* 

Sermon

Fold in the Cheese

## **GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

## \*Hymn #340

## This is My Song



Offertory

#### **Marvelous Grace**

arr. Tom Fettke

Bethany Faiz - 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

O God, author and giver of all things, bless us with discomfort at easy answers and half-truths. Bless us with anger at injustice and tears to shed for others. Bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in your world. Bless these gifts of our lives and of our offerings to your work of love. 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 #526

**Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ** 

\*Charge and Benediction

**Choral Benediction** 

**Steeple Bell** 

**Postlude** 

**Love Divine, All Loves Excelling** 

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 Fellowship

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### Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Nancy Kersey Communion: Connie Reese\*/Mike & Lynn Smith/Cindy Beam

Ushers: Jim & Barbara Whisman Counters: Cindy Beam/Mike Smith

Nursery: Jane Fouracre/Teisha Fooks Sunday School: Mallory Mackie/Julia Bechtel

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Tessa McChesney Klein 1884 - 1970 Charles Matthews 1919 - 2002



#### SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER ON A SUNDAY MORNING

Sign up to usher and serve as worship leader: https://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/on-line-signups

#### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS - TODAY**

Today at 3 p.m., we will have a Blessing of the Animals outside of the CE Building. If your pet doesn't travel well or play well with others, bring their picture or one of their accessories to be blessed. And feel free to invite one of your pet's friends as everyone would benefit from a blessing!

#### WORLD COMMUNION SPECIAL OFFERING - TODAY

Join us in worship as we celebrate World Communion Sunday, recognizing our oneness in Christ with our siblings around the world. We will collect our Peace and Global Witness Offering, which encourages the church to cast off anxiety and fear and embrace God's mission of reconciliation to those around the corner and around the world. Offering envelopes are in the pews.

#### MENTORING AT CARRIE DOWNIE THIS FALL

NCPC volunteers will work one-on-one with students to help them build self-esteem, communication skills and school engagement. The time commitment is once a week through the school year for 30-60 minutes in the school. Contact Gail Seitz at gailmseitz@gmail.com for more information.

#### **BIBLE STUDY WITH THE PASTOR**

Gather on Wednesdays this Fall at 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with Pastor Miriam for a weekly Bible Study. No need to RSVP; come and join the conversation!

#### FLOWER FOLKS

Interested in the beautiful arrangements in the meeting house window? Get involved in a new team of "flower folks" to continue the amazing displays. Please reach out to Brenda Walters for more information.

	This Week's Schedule		
SUNDAY	10/05	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship & Communion
		11:30am	Coffee Hour
		3:00pm	Blessing of the Animals
Monday	10/06	2:00-5:00pm	Private Counseling – Library
		6:30pm	Phee Price Private use of Hall
Tuesday	10/07	11:00am	Staff Meeting
		12:00pm	People Who Lunch – Portofino's
		7:00pm	Promises of AA Meeting
Wednesday	10/08	2:00-5:00pm	Private Counseling - Library
		3:00pm	Bible Study
		7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	10/09	7:00pm	Celebration Ringers
Saturday	10/11	8:00am	Tai Chi
SUNDAY	10/12	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Coffee Hour
		12:00pm	Youth Group

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Bethany Faiz, Accompanist

#### **SESSION**

2026	2027	2028
Cynthia Beam	Julie Barry	Jennifer Dunham
Peter McCurdy	Sarah McCann	Chris Fagles
Ray Snyder	Amy Selheimer	Gina Kouma
Clerk of Session: Scott Selheimer		

Session meets the 1st Tuesday of the month

### **DEACONS**

2026	2027	2028
Lindy Ballance	Julia Spock	Mary Anne Brundage
Liz Toto	Beverly Stoudt	Teisha Fooks
		Nan Wallace

Deacons meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month

### **TRUSTEES**

2026	2027	2028
Mary Fontinha	Gary Graham	Marshall Freund
Gail Seitz	Kelly McCurdy	Mike Smith

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





