

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.

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. Nursery care will be available following the Scripture Conversation.

At the end of worship, please join us for Sidewalk Fellowship on 2nd Street.

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

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Prayer List:

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New Castle Presbyterian
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Happy Father's Day!

June 21, 2026

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

What a Friend We Have in Jesus
Bethany Faiz - Piano

arr. Martha Mier

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

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and grief to bear;

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer.

Let us behold the glory of our God.

*Hymn #39

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

Call to Confession

Before we hear the Word read and proclaimed, let us prepare our hearts through the confession of our individual and collective sins.

Prayer of Confession

You send us, God of the Great Commission, but we hedge and hesitate. Forgive our fear and our excuses. We are witnesses of your grace and glory but allow others to silence our praise. We imprison ourselves with doubt and shame and fail to shine your light for all to see. Forgive our fears. Free our testimony. Help us be your faithful disciples. Amen. (Time for silent prayer.)

Assurance of Pardon

Through Christ's death and resurrection, we are a new creation, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Amen.

***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

Scripture Conversation with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Savior God, your Word is a lamp to our feet on this discipleship road. Walk with us. Guide us with your wisdom and grace. Open us to discerning your will and your way. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 86:1-10,16-17

Page: OT 544

Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

² Preserve my life, for I am godly; save your servant, who trusts in you—you are my God.

³ Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all the day.

⁴ Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

⁵ For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

- ⁶ Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace.
- ⁷ In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me.
- ⁸ There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.
- ⁹ All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.
- ¹⁰ For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.
- ¹⁶ Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant, and save the son of your maidservant.
- ¹⁷ Show me a sign of your favor, that those who hate me may see and be put to shame because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

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

Second Scripture Lesson

Matthew 10:24-39

Page: NT 10

A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶ So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

³⁴ Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ³⁶ And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. ³⁸ And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. *This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

Don't Be Afraid!

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

*Hymn #700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
2 I'm gon-na work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!
(an - y - time!)
I'm gon-na
I'm gon-na
I'm gon-na
I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
pray so (pray so)
sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!
(my Lord,) (an - y - time!)

This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Toni Marley

***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**

Grateful for your many gifts, we offer ours now to you, O God. Use what we give, use how we live, to be your love in this world. In the way of Jesus, 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

Guide My Feet

*Hymn #741

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

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| 2 Hold my hand ... | 5 Search my heart ... |
| 3 Stand by me ... | 6 Guide my feet ... |
| 4 I'm your child ... | |

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1-2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.

***Charge & Benediction**

God, bless us. Jesus, walk with us. Holy Spirit, guide us. As we leave this house of worship may the grace, hope, peace, and love of God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with us all, now, and always. Amen.

Steeple Bell

Postlude

Praise Ye the Triune God
Bethany Faiz - Piano

arr. Larry Shackley

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 Sidewalk Fellowship

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Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Nancy Kersey

Coffee Hour: Sidewalk Fellowship

Ushers: Toni Marley/Rob Barry

Counters: Julie Barry/Gary Graham

Nursery: Jane Fouracre/Mallory Mackie

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Walter A. Gebhart Sr.
1920 - 1984

Maryellen Wample
1942 - 2013



WELCOME – GUEST PREACHER ROURKE MOORE

Commissioned Ruling Elder, Rourke Moore, is past Moderator of New Castle Presbytery. He served on the Committee on Ministers and Congregations and serves on the Montgomery Group. Elder Moore has served as a Ruling Elder of Community Presbyterian Church. A native of Wilmington, Delaware, Rourke has worked as a governmental administrator. He is also a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and former Delaware State Representative. Elder Moore regularly leads worship throughout New Castle Presbytery.

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER ON A SUNDAY MORNING

Would you usher Sunday (6/28)? Or any upcoming Sunday? We need ushers for almost every Sunday this summer! 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 turning on the lights, opening pew doors, and preparing our space to welcome folks to worship God. Reach out to Elders Jen Dunham or Ray Snyder to learn more.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - AUGUST 2

Mark your calendars for VBS on August 2 from 3-7 p.m.! We're still looking for a few more adult volunteers for VBS; if you're interested, please reach out to Julie Barry. Our next planning meeting will be Sunday, June 21 following worship.

LGBTQIA+ TASK FORCE

Happy Pride! Check out the newsletter for more information about the Interfaith Pride Service at Congregation Beth Emeth on June 24 and More Light Sunday on June 28.

ALL-AGES GAME NIGHT: JUNE 27

Congregational Life is planning another All-Ages Game Night in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, June 27 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 June 20.

PASTOR MIRIAM'S SABBATICAL

From June 8 through August 31, Pastor Miriam is on Sabbatical. During this time of rest, she is grateful for your prayers! While she is away, NCPC is in good hands. Check out the newsletter for the schedule of upcoming Sunday morning preachers. If you have any administrative questions, you can contact Administrator Kris Krawczyk in the Office or Clerk Scott Selheimer. If you have a pastoral need, please reach out to the office or to Deacon Moderator Teisha Fooks or Deacon Vice-Moderator Nan Wallace. Each week this summer, NCPC does have a pastor from around the Presbytery on-call should a pastoral emergency arise.

This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	06/21		BROWNIES DUE
		10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Sidewalk Fellowship
		12:00pm	VBS Planning Meeting
		6:00pm	Community Open Mic Nite
Monday	06/22	9:00am-5:00pm	Private Counseling – Library
		9:15am	Emmanuel Dining Room Prep
		6:00pm	Improv Fun and Games
Tuesday	06/23	7:00pm	Promises of AA Meeting
Wednesday	06/24	9:00am-5:00pm	Private Counseling – Library
		6:30pm	Interfaith Pride Service – Congregation Beth Emeth
Saturday	06/27	6:00-8:00pm	Game Night
SUNDAY	06/28	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Sidewalk Fellowship

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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 2nd Sunday of the month

TRUSTEES

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

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

