

# 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.

### Prayer List:

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

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# New Castle Presbyterian Church

## All Saints' Sunday

November 2, 2025

10:30 a.m.

### GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Prelude**

**Immortal, Invisible**

arr. Tom Birchwood

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 Isaiah 12)**

Surely God is our salvation;

**We will trust and not be afraid.**

For the Lord God is our strength and our might;

**God has become our salvation.**

Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously.

**Let this be known in all the earth.**

# \*Hymn #731

## Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm

Capo 1: (D) E<sup>b</sup> (A) B<sup>b</sup> (Bm) Cm (G) A<sup>b</sup>

1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all a -  
 2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, be - yond mere  
 3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a spar - kling  
 4 Give thanks for saints of a - ges past and saints a -

(D) E<sup>b</sup> (A) B<sup>b</sup> (D) E<sup>b</sup> (G) A<sup>b</sup> (Em) Fm (A) B<sup>b</sup> (F#m) Gm

round seems bleak: on God's good prom - ise they re - ly, so  
 mor - tal sight: who seek the cit - y God has planned, the  
 pre - cious stone: they show by what they say and do an  
 live to - day: though of - ten by this world de - spised, their

(Bm) Cm (G) A<sup>b</sup> (Em) Fm (A7) B<sup>b</sup>7 (D) E<sup>b</sup>

while they live and when they die how force - ful -  
 true, e - ter - nal prom - ised land, and steer on  
 in - ward beau - ty, warm and true, for God's con -  
 hearts by God are rich - ly prized. Give thanks that

(A7) B<sup>b</sup>7 (B) C (Em) Fm (G) A<sup>b</sup> (A7) B<sup>b</sup>7 (D) E<sup>b</sup>

ly they speak: the strong, who once were weak!  
 toward that light, a bea - con ev - er bright.  
 cerns they own: God's love through them is known.  
 we may say we share their pil - grim way.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

The first three stanzas of this text are organized around the three great virtues—faith, hope, and love—mentioned in 1 Corinthians 13:13. These have indeed been the marks of the faithful people of God always and everywhere, and the final stanza sums up our gratitude for them.

## 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

### For All the Saints

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Bethany Faiz - Piano

*For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, Alleluia! Thou wast their rock, their fortress,  
and their might; thou Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou in the darkness drear,  
their one true light. Alleluia, Alleluia! O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the  
saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia,  
Alleluia! And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph  
song, and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, Alleluia! From earth's wide  
bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, Alleluia!*

## **Prayer for Illumination**

**Faithful God, we remember the saints who have gone before us and are grateful for their witness and example. How blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness! By the power of your Spirit, prepare the way in our hearts for the coming of your Word, that we may do Jesus' will. Amen.**

## **Scripture Lesson**

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

**Page: NT 192**

<sup>8</sup> For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast.

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

## **Stewardship Moment**

**Ringo Keka & Mark Rappold**

## **Scripture Conversation with Children**

## **Scripture Lesson**

**John 8:2-11**

**Page: NT 100**

Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him, and he sat down and began to teach them. <sup>3</sup> The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery, and, making her stand before all of them, <sup>4</sup> they said to him, “Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. <sup>5</sup> Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?” <sup>6</sup> They said this to test him, so that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. <sup>7</sup> When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, “Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” <sup>8</sup> And once again he bent down and wrote on the ground. <sup>9</sup> When they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders, and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. <sup>10</sup> Jesus straightened up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” <sup>11</sup> She said, “No one, sir.” And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again.”

## **Sermon**

*Grace Will Lead Us*

# GIVE THANKS TO GOD

\*Hymn #649

## Amazing Grace, verses 1 and 2

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

### CHOCTAW

Shilombish holitopa ma!  
 Ishmminti pulla cha  
 hatak ilbusha pia ha  
 is pi yukpalashke.

### CREEK

Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet  
 ah non ah cha pa kas  
 cha fee kee o funnan la kus  
 um e ha ta la yus.

### NAVAHO

Nizhóníígo joobá diits' a'  
 yisdáshítinígí,  
 lah yóóíiyá, k'ad  
 shénáhoosdzin,  
 doo eesh'íí da nt'ée.

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16–17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it "Faith's Review and Expectation." Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

**The King of Love My Shepherd Is**

arr. Cindy Berry

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**

**Gracious God, you open our eyes, our hearts, and our hands to your presence in this world and in our neighbors. Challenge us to step outside of our routines and follow in Christ's shepherding way. Inspire us to faithful actions of courageous mercy. Use us and what we have gathered to prepare your welcome table for all your children around the world. Amen.**

**Communion and Prayers of the People**

All Saints Remembrance

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 & All Saints' Remembrance

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 #536

## Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

D G Bm F#m Em7 A Bm



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this  
2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter  
3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has  
4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age

A D Em A Bm Gmaj7



meal of love and grace; may we through such love en -  
Christ, though wound - ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are  
called us to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing  
be our dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti -

Em7 A D Bm7 E Asus A D



vi - sion whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le -  
hal - lowed to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le -  
nur - ture, Spir - it - ed then let us live. Al - le -  
na - tion from this day and un - to death. Al - le -

G Em A A7 Bm Em A7 D



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

The second line of the first stanza shows that this hymn is meant for use in the context of the Lord's Supper, but the last stanza further clarifies its special purpose as a sending hymn celebrating the values guiding the work of the church in the world: service, courage, mercy.

## **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **Choral Benediction**

### **Steeple Bell**

### **Postlude**

**Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above** 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:**

**Communion: Lyn Briggs\***, Gina Kouma, Scott Matthews and Ray Snyder

**Worship Leader:** Nancy Kersey

**Coffee Hour:** Trustees

**Ushers:** Toni Marley/Melissa Boris

**Counters:** Sarah McCann/Kelly McCurdy

**Nursery:** Kim Beebe/Jane Fouracre

**Sunday School:** Mallory Mackie/Lynn Smith

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

**Aileen B. Nixon**  
- 1971

**Bertha Theofane**  
1916 - 2003



**FINAL CALL FOR DIRECTORY UPDATES. NEW DIRECTORIES WILL BE PRINTED THIS WEEK!**

### **ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE**

The ushers will collect name cards during the offering time. During our Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving, we will read aloud the names of the saints who've died in this past year. As names are read, we ring the church bell and give thanks to God for gathering us at Christ's table with saints from every time and place!

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

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

### **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!

### **THANKSGIVING BASKETS**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Seaman's Center Ditty Boxes! As we look ahead to Thanksgiving, Mission and Outreach is again giving 30 Thanksgiving Baskets to three local elementary schools for families who need our support for a Thanksgiving meal. Committee members will buy all of the supplies but would love help putting together these baskets of love. Date: Friday, November 21 at 10:00 AM here in the CE building. No need to sign up - hope to see some of you there.

### **WINTER SANCTUARY**

Each Saturday, from 6:00 - 10:00 am, First & Central Presbyterian Church in Wilmington opens their doors to people experiencing homelessness. They 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 if you'd like to sign up. Questions? Please reach out to Amy Selheimer (302-584-0982)



## CHECK OUT THE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

For important information about upcoming events, like our Stewardship Season (running through November 16), our new Building Use Task Force, and the Thanksgiving Bagel Breakfast, check out our newsletter!

## BROWNIES

Please support the Emmanuel Dining Room in caring for our neighbors. Take a box of brownie mix from the bench inside the CE building to help us in making it special. Instructions included. Thank you!

| <u><i>This Week's Schedule</i></u> |              |                    |                                            |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>SUNDAY</b>                      | <b>11/02</b> | <b>10:30am</b>     | <b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b> |
|                                    |              | <b>11:30am</b>     | <b>Coffee Hour</b>                         |
|                                    |              | <b>12:00-2:00</b>  | <b>Young(ish) Women's Group</b>            |
| <b>Monday</b>                      | <b>11/03</b> | <b>2:00-5:00pm</b> | <b>Private Counseling – Library</b>        |
| <b>Tuesday</b>                     | <b>11/04</b> | <b>7:00pm</b>      | <b>Promises of AA Meeting</b>              |
|                                    |              | <b>12:00pm</b>     | <b>People who Lunch</b>                    |
| <b>Wednesday</b>                   | <b>11/05</b> | <b>2:00-5:00pm</b> | <b>Private Counseling - Library</b>        |
|                                    |              | <b>3:00pm</b>      | <b>Bible Study</b>                         |
|                                    |              | <b>7:30pm</b>      | <b>Choir</b>                               |
| <b>Thursday</b>                    | <b>11/06</b> | <b>7:00pm</b>      | <b>Celebration Ringers</b>                 |
| <b>Saturday</b>                    | <b>11/08</b> | <b>8:00am</b>      | <b>Tai Chi</b>                             |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>                      | <b>11/09</b> | <b>10:30am</b>     | <b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b> |
|                                    |              | <b>11:30am</b>     | <b>Coffee Hour</b>                         |

*Pastor Miriam will be out of the office from October 2-4 for the Presbytery's Pastors' Retreat.*

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Lyn Briggs, Recording Secretary

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 1<sup>st</sup> 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)*

