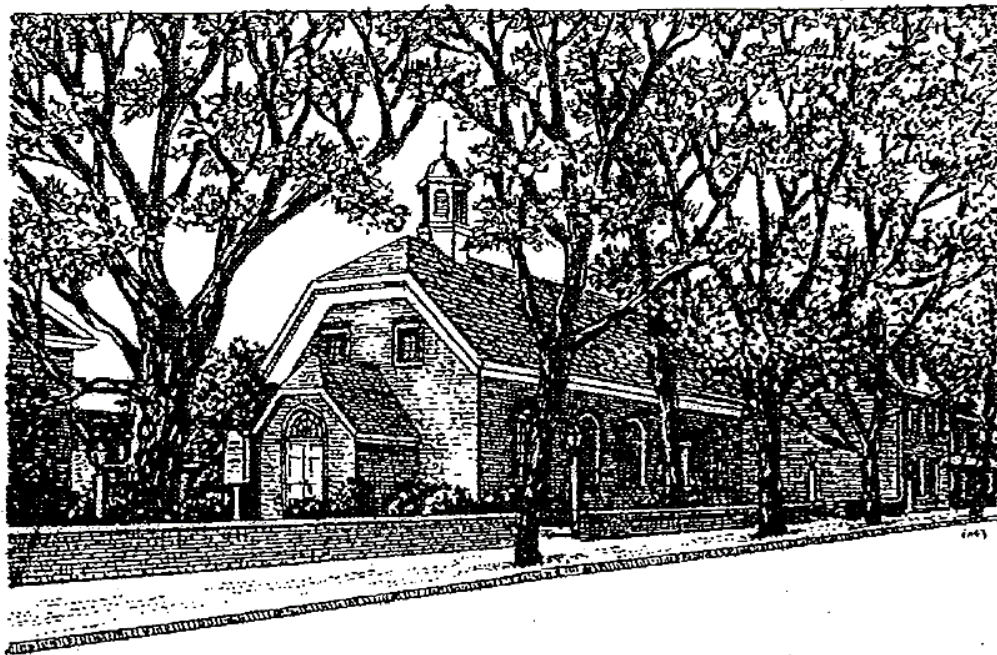


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New Castle Presbyterian Church ~ Built 1707 ~ New Castle, Delaware

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. 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 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
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2024

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Wonderful Words of Life

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

Call to Worship (*from Psalm 98*)

O Sing to the Lord a new song,

For God has done marvelous things.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Play the lyre; play the trumpet.

Let the sea roar, and the hills sing together for joy.

For God judges with righteousness and equity.

Let us lift up our voices and praise the Lord!

*Hymn #92

While We are Waiting, Come

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 3/4 time. It consists of four systems of staves. The lyrics are: 1 While we are wait - ing, come; 2 With power and glo - ry, come; 3 Come, Sav - ior, quick - ly come; while we are wait - ing, come. with power and glo - ry, come. come, Sav - ior, quick - ly come. Je - sus, our Lord, Em - man - u - el, while we are wait - ing, come.

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This simple and meditative Advent hymn is so uncomplicated in both text and tune that it can be learned quickly and sung without reference to a book, which might make it effective as a prayer response. It would also lend itself to improvised stanzas on appropriate occasions.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, the voice of your wisdom rings out in the world, guiding us to place our trust in you. The voice of your truth rings out in the world, challenging us to seek the things that matter.

Too often, O Lord, we remain silent when faced with human conceit and lies. We place our trust in things that are fleeting. We seek the things that make us comfortable, rather than seeking the way of your righteousness.

Forgive us, God of grace, and help us join the choir of your faithful...
(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 #441 Hear the Good News of Salvation**

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.

Such great kindness! Such great mercy!

Come to us from heaven above.

Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!

How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

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PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Conversation with Children

Prayer for Illumination

O God, you are my God. You have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings, I sing for joy. When I sink low, when I grow weary, your right hand holds me fast. Send your Holy Spirit to fill my heart with thanksgiving that I would sing of your steadfast love forever. Amen.

Now the spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD tormented him. ¹⁵ And Saul's servants said to him, "See now, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. ¹⁶ Let our lord now command the servants who attend you to look for someone who is skillful in playing the lyre, and when the evil spirit from God is upon you, he will play it, and you will feel better." ¹⁷ So Saul said to his servants, "Provide for me someone who can play well, and bring him to me." ¹⁸ One of the young men answered, "I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite who is skillful in playing, a man of valor, a warrior, prudent in speech, and a man of good presence, and the LORD is with him." ¹⁹ So Saul sent messengers to Jesse and said, "Send me your son David, who is with the sheep." ²⁰ Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a skin of wine, and a kid and sent them by his son David to Saul. ²¹ And David came to Saul and entered his service. Saul^[a] loved him greatly, and he became his armor-bearer. ²² Saul sent to Jesse, saying, "Let David remain in my service, for he has found favor in my sight." ²³ And whenever the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, David took the lyre and played it with his hand, and Saul would be relieved and feel better, and the evil spirit would depart from him.

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

Sermon

"Singing the Faith"

Minerva Lermond, Mallory Mackie, and Phee Price

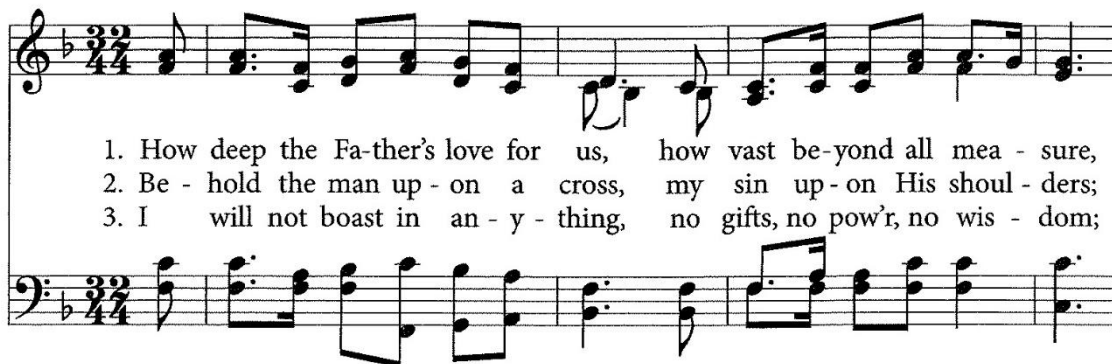
GIVE THANKS TO GOD

***Hymn**

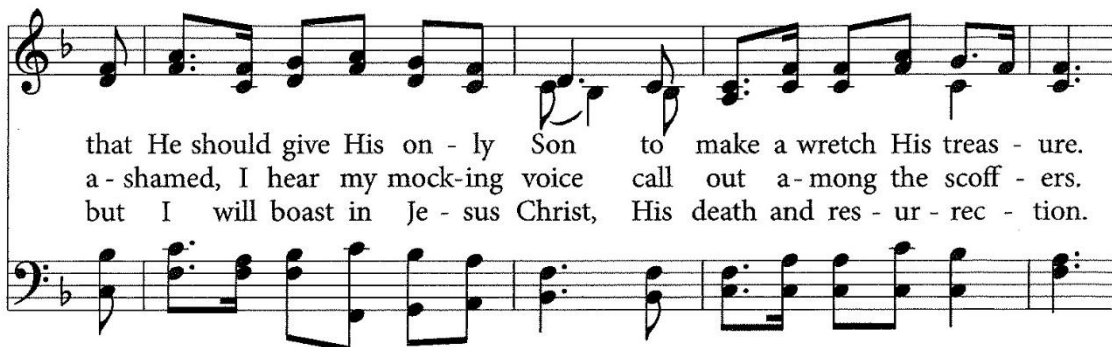
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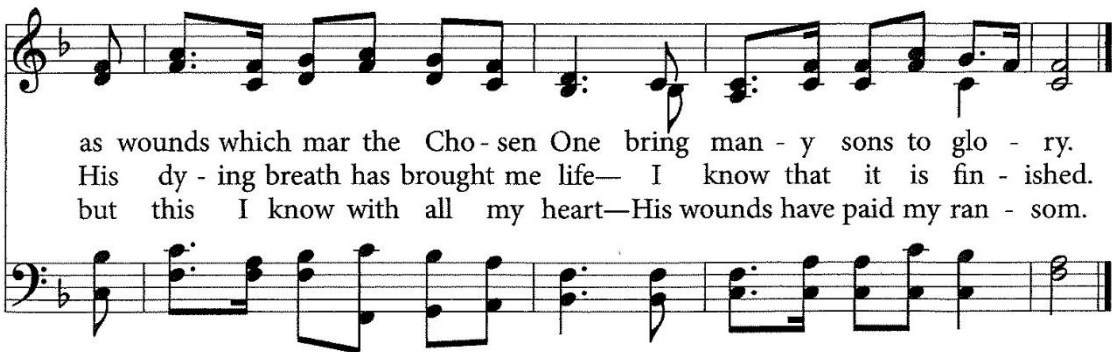
1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure,
2. Be - hold the man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders;
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;



that He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His treas - ure.
a - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scoff - ers.
but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and res - ur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss— the Fa - ther turns His face a - way
It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer;



as wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
His dy - ing breath has brought me life— I know that it is fin - ished.
but this I know with all my heart—His wounds have paid my ran - som.

Words and Music: Stuart Townend

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Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Larghetto from Sonata IV in C Major by G.F. Handel
Lisa Bowe - Flute Soloist
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**

Eternal God, through Jesus Christ, you bring new hope and new life to your creation. Help us to hear your word and obey it, that we may become instruments of your saving love. Bless these offerings that your good news would bring healing to the nations. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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

*Hymn

EASTERTIDE

In the Garden

200

1. I come to the gar - den a - lone, while the
2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice is so
3. I'd stay in the gar - den with Him, though the

dew is still on the ros - es; and the voice I hear fall - ing
sweet the birds hush their sing - ing; and the mel - o - dy that He
night a - round me be fall - ing; but He bids me go; through the

on my ear, the Son of God dis - clos - es.
gave to me with - in my heart is ring - ing. And He walks with me, and He
voice of woe, His voice to me is call - ing.

talks with me, and He tells me I am His own, and the

joy we share as we tar - ry there, none oth - er has ev - er known.

WORDS: C. Austin Miles, 1912 (John 20:11-18)
MUSIC: C. Austin Miles, 1912

GARDEN
8.9.5.5.7 with refrain

*Charge and Benediction

Steeple Bell

Postlude

To God Be the Glory

arr. Cindy Berry

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 Sidewalk Fellowship.

Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leaders: Minerva Lermond, Mallory Mackie, Phee Price

Counters: Rob Barry/Marshall Freund

Ushers: Scott & Amy Selheimer

Nursery: Jane Fouracre & Julie Barry

Coffee Hour: Sidewalk Fellowship

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Mary Jane Calhoun Bacon
1873-1942

Regina Hopkins
1891-1989



SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER ON A SUNDAY MORNING

We are in need of ushers and worship leaders in September.

Please sign up today: <https://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/on-line-signups>

And mark your calendars for upcoming 11:30 a.m. trainings:

August 25 - Nursery/ Sunday School Orientation + Usher Orientation

September 1 - Communion Server + Worship Leader orientation

SPECIAL CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – AUGUST 25

Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday (8/25), following worship, for the purpose of electing Julie Barry and Sarah McCann as Elders, Class of 2027.

NCPC MEN'S GROUP - AUGUST 19

The group's next planned activity will be a gathering at The Legend Restaurant & Bakery on August 19 @ 7:00pm. Please contact [Steven Foltz](#) to share ideas and get involved. All ages are invited to attend.

NCPC SUMMER BOOK CLUB – AUGUST 28

Join us on August 28th at 3pm in the Read House Garden for our NCPC summer read: Anne Lamott's *Somehow: Thoughts on Love*. Copies are available for purchase for \$20 through the church office, or through the library or your favorite book supplier.

RSVPs to Pastor Miriam are appreciated.

LOOKING AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER

Our Fall season kicks off on Sunday, September 8.

Regular Sunday School and Nursery care returns, so keep an eye out for registration forms. The NCPC Choir resumes rehearsals on Wednesday nights at 7:30pm, beginning Wednesday, September 4.

New this Fall: On the third Sundays, we'll offer Sunday School for All Ages from 12-1pm, and our Middle and High School Youth Group will also meet from 12-2pm. Be sure to join us on September 15!

Learn more about these and other upcoming offerings by checking out the brochure in the August newsletter.

Prayer List:

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

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This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	08/18	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Sidewalk Fellowship
		6:00pm	Community Open Mic Night
Monday	08/19	7:00pm	Men's Gathering @ the Legend Restaurant
Tuesday	08/20		Newsletter Deadline
		7:00pm	Christian Education Meeting
Saturday	08/24	8:00am	Tai Chi
SUNDAY	08/25	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Nursery/Sunday School Orientation + Usher Orientation
		11:30am	Sidewalk Fellowship

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Bethany Faiz, Accompanist

SESSION

2024	2025	2026
Rob Barry	Melissa Boris	Cynthia Beam
Chris Fagles	Jennifer Dunham	Peter McCurdy
Greg Fogarty	Connie Reese	OPEN
Scott Selheimer		

Session meets the 1st Tuesday of the month

DEACONS

2024	2025	2026
Susan Fogarty	Toni Marley	Lindy Ballance
Julia Spock	Janet Spring	Liz Toto
Sandy Wilson		

Deacons meet the 2nd Sunday of the month

TRUSTEES

2024	2025	2026
Lyn Briggs	Marshall Freund	Mary Fontinha
Gary Graham	Mike Smith	Gail Seitz
Barbara Whisman		

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

