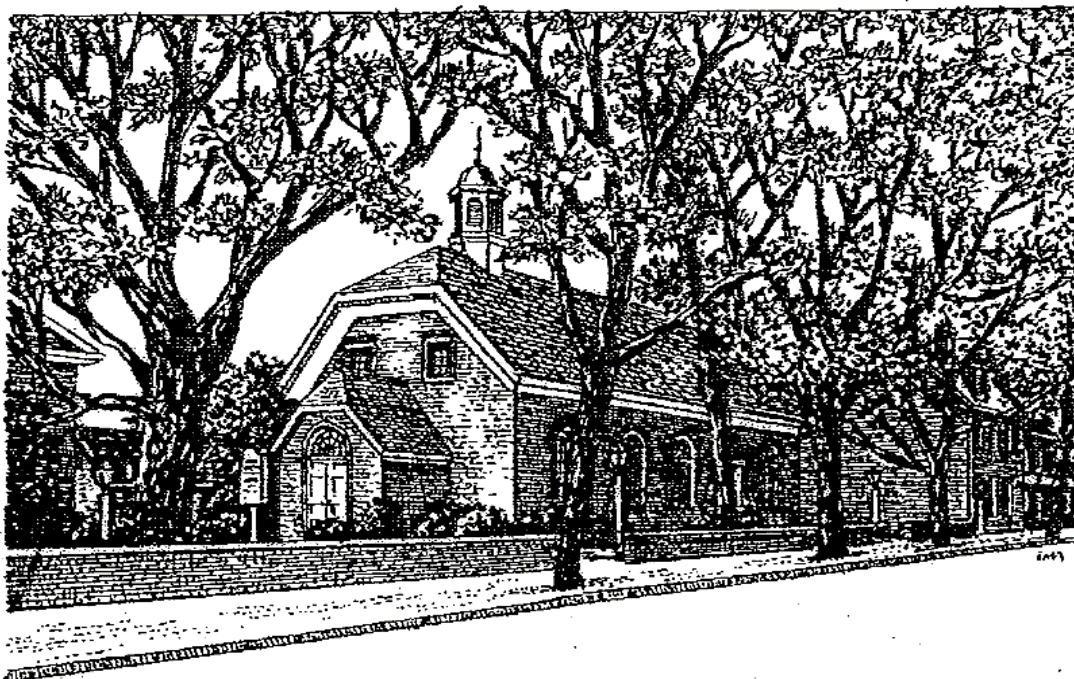


# New Castle Presbyterian Church

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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,**

**Please take basic COVID precautions with us.** Masks are encouraged but not required in the Meeting House and Education building.

**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 sidewalk Coffee Hour on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

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

**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**

## **Third Sunday after Pentecost**

June 18, 2023

10:30 a.m.

### **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

**Prelude**

Open My Eyes, That I May See    arr. Larry Shackley  
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**

We come together in the sure knowledge:

**God does not pass us by.**

We gather to worship knowing this truth:

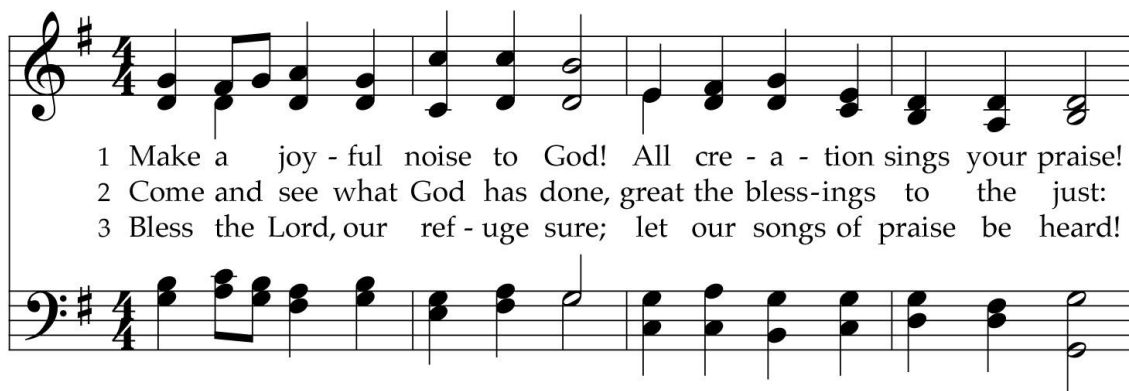
**God fulfills promises.**

Even when we cannot muster belief:

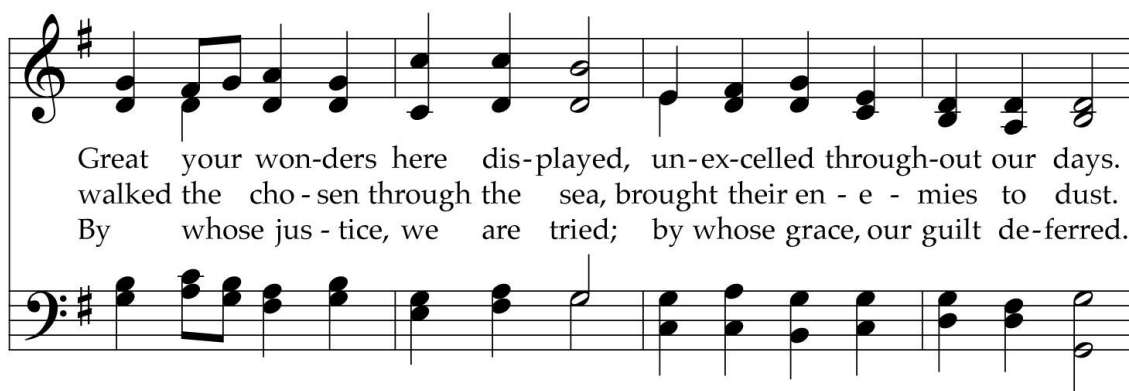
**God is faithful to us.**

# \*Hymn #54

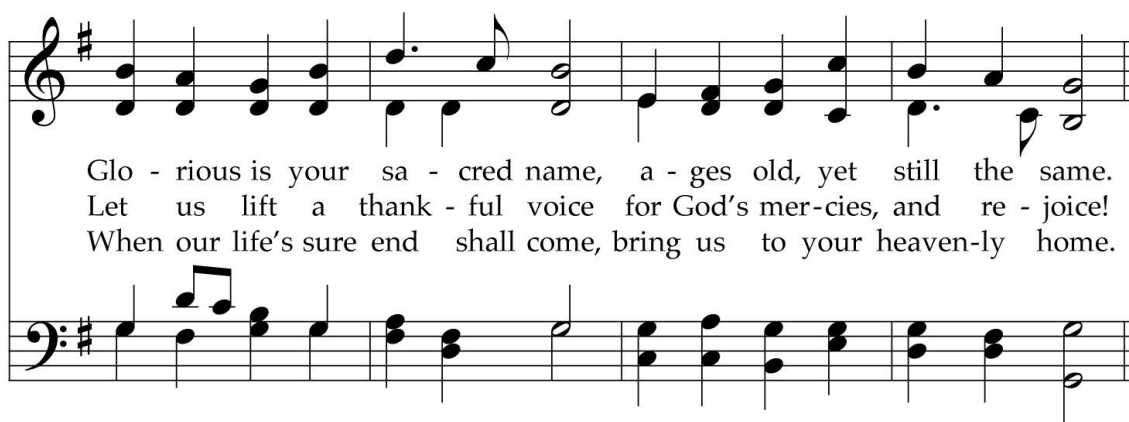
# Make a Joyful Noise to God!



1 Make a joy - ful noise to God! All cre - a - tion sings your praise!  
2 Come and see what God has done, great the bless-ings to the just:  
3 Bless the Lord, our ref - uge sure; let our songs of praise be heard!



Great your won-ders here dis-played, un-ex-celled through-out our days.  
walked the cho - sen through the sea, brought their en - e - mies to dust.  
By whose jus - tice, we are tried; by whose grace, our guilt de-ferred.



Glo - rious is your sa - cred name, a - ges old, yet still the same.  
Let us lift a thank - ful voice for God's mer-cies, and re - joice!  
When our life's sure end shall come, bring us to your heaven-ly home.

This paraphrase of Psalm 66 maintains a corporate tone more suitable for congregational singing than does the original psalm, which moves to a personal narrative in its latter part. The reference to "all creation" is strengthened by the associations of the tune (see no. 14).

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**God of our salvation, incline your ear to us. You have given us power: power to heal, to bring hope, to comfort, to restore.**

**But we ignore that power, choosing to live our own lives.**

**At worst, we abuse your gifts, storing up riches for ourselves without an eye for the needs of others.**

**Forgive us. Remind us of our call to proclaim your good news, and to welcome each other as we would welcome you...**

*(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, we give thanks to you for bringing us together. Your ancient words still bring joy to our hearts. May your Holy Spirit shape our minds to love you and our neighbors. In Christ's name, Amen.**

- <sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
- <sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.
- <sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.  
Give thanks to him; bless his name.
- <sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever  
and his faithfulness to all generations.
- This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

## **Welcome into Membership and the Sacrament of Baptism**

Presentation

Affirmations by the Sponsors and Parents

Congregational Vow

Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Maisy and Monroe by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be his faithful disciple? **We do.**

### **\*Affirmation of Faith – Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer

Act of Baptism

Hymn #487

These Treasured Children

Words of Welcome

*Megan, Maisy and Monroe, with joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church! May you always know that you are held in God's hands and in the hearts of your church family. Amen.*

## **Scripture Conversation with Children**

**Sermon**

*"Password Reminder"*

## **GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

## **Offerings of Tithes and Gifts**

Bell Offertory

As the Deer

Setting by Douglas E. Wagner

Ellie Gerhart & Minerva Lermond - Handbells

Eileen Larkin - Keyboard

### **\*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**

**Living God, your call to discipleship is defined by mercy and not sacrifice. Through our giving, may we celebrate the abundance of your grace. Increase our faith and trust in Christ, that we would praise you with our time, our talents, and our treasures. 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 #547

### Go, My Children with My Blessing

1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.  
2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos-er to me.

Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.

In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you mine for-  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto-ry; here you touched him, saw his  
Here my Spir-it's pow-er filled you; here my ten-der com-fort

ev-er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."  
glo-ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure."  
stilled you. Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, joy-ful and free."

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a basso continuo line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

Because this Welsh melody usually sets evening texts, the author was asked to create one for use in daytime.  
His recasting of the Aaronic blessing in Numbers 6:22-27 imagines that passage as a benediction that might  
be spoken by God at the conclusion of a worship service.



## **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **Steeple Bell**

### **Postlude**

We're Marching to Zion  
(with Come, We that Love the Lord)  
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.*

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

Worship Leader: Jane Fouracre  
Ushers: Amy & Scott Selheimer

Counters: Candy Dunson & Gail Seitz

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

***D. Wallace Cox***  
***1889-1972***

***Ellen Wallace Matthews***  
***1935-2009***



## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 20**



We'll host a one-night VBS on Sunday, July 16 from 4 to 7 p.m. We have a great curriculum, but we need your help to make it happen! We're seeking volunteers to help lead story time, activities (crafts, music, games), make decorations, coordinate dinner, and more. Join us on Tuesday, June 20 at 7:00pm via Zoom to learn more; contact Melissa Boris ([borism1010@gmail.com](mailto:borism1010@gmail.com)) for the zoom link and to volunteer!

## **SPECIAL CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – SUN., JULY 9**

Join us following worship on Sunday, July 9, for a Special Called Congregational Meeting to complete our officer slate. The Nomination Committee will nominate Peter McCurdy to serve as Elder Class of 2026 and Pat Taylor to serve as

Nominating Committee Member-at-Large. Their biographies will be available in the July newsletter.

**NEW AND NEWISH MEMBER GATHERING – SUNDAY, JULY 9**

Anyone considering joining NCPC - or- liking what they observe and wanting to learn more - or - who has joined in 2023 is encouraged to meet other newbies at Greg and Susan Fogarty's home located 2 blocks from the church at 152 E 2nd Street. Join us there following worship for refreshments and an INCREDIBLE charcuterie tray. Please RSVP by texting Greg at (302) 437-4731 or Susan at (302) 530-7158.

**CONGREGATIONAL CONCERT CAMARADERIE – WED., JULY 12**

Bring a folding chair to Battery Park where we will informally gather at 6 pm and watch the Seven Rings perform at 6:30pm as part of Battery Park's Summer Concert Series. Lip singers, Hummers and Karaoke Chanteuses are all welcome!

## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Nursery Care and Sunday School are on hiatus over the summer. Children of all ages are welcome to remain in the Meeting House during worship and make a joyful noise to the Lord! (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!

## SUMMER COFFEE HOUR FELLOWSHIP

Join us for coffee hour after worship today. Deacons and the Trustees will host coffee hour on the first Sundays of July and August, and on other Sundays, we'll gather for 2<sup>nd</sup> Street sidewalk fellowship after worship.

## HIGHMARK WALK FOR FRIENDSHIP HOUSE

Members of New Castle Presbyterian Church once again took part in the annual Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community on Saturday, June 10 at Tubman-Garrett Park and the Wilmington Riverfront.

Amy and Scott Selheimer, Julie and Rob Barry, and Phee Price and Ken Boos took part in the 5K walk on the Riverfront, Pastor Miriam and Steven Foltz and Parker and Micah enjoyed their own "virtual" walk through Battery Park, and Gail and C.J. Seitz also contributed to the team total. The event raised over \$90,000 for our friends at Friendship House in Wilmington. Over 600 people took part in the walk.

Thank you to all who participated. Look forward to seeing you at the event in 2024!



## **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  
1900 Lovering Avenue  
Wilmington, DE 19806

### ***Barbara Quillen***

Cokesbury  
HealthCare Rm 2010  
726 Loveville Road  
Hockessin, DE 19707

### ***Rod Denison***

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

## ***At Home:***

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

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New Castle, DE 19720  
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### ***Anita Johnson***

Cokesbury  
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Hockessin, DE 19707

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Wilmington, DE 19806  
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### ***Linda Twyford***

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### ***Bev Denison***

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Smyrna, DE 19977  
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### ***Robert Lindfors***

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(302) 328-5369

## ***On Assignment with the Coast Guard:***

### ***George Spock***

1346 Crocker St.  
Coos Bay, OR 97420

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

### ***James Boyle***

1150 Bole Street, Unit 54  
JBPHH, HI 96860

**This Week's Schedule**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>06/18</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship &amp; Baptism</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>06/19</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>Spanish Class</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>06/20</b>		<b>Deadline for Newsletter</b>
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>VBS Planning Meeting via Zoom</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>06/24</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>06/25</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b>
			<b>– Guest Pastor Tracy Keenan</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Sidewalk Coffee Hour</b>

*Pastor Miriam is out of the office from June 20-June 25. If you have a pastoral need, please contact Sandy Wilson, Deacon Moderator at (570) 362-0096*

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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)*

