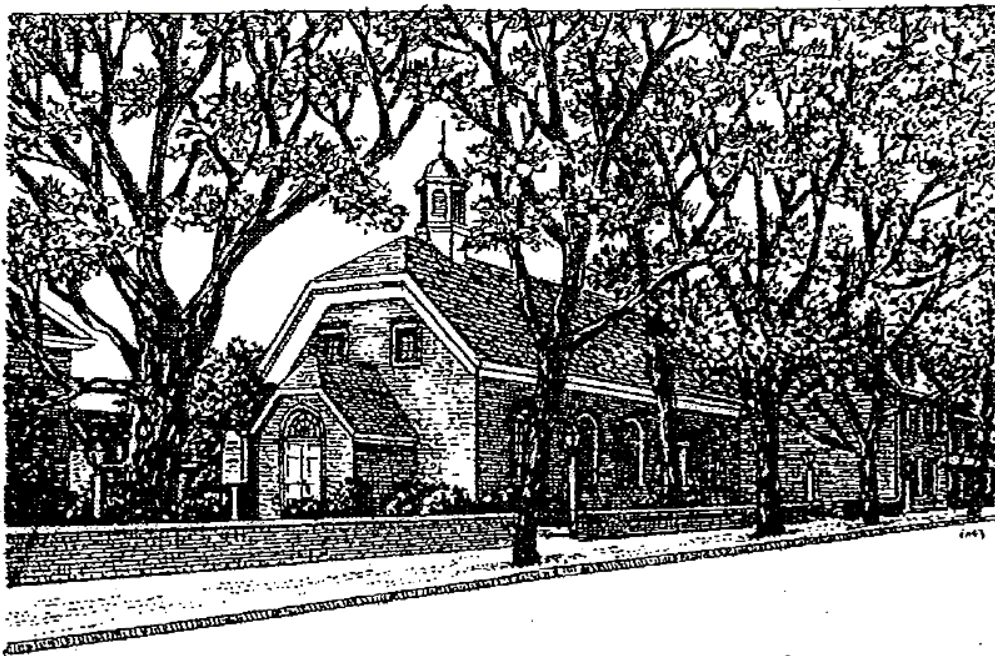


# New Castle Presbyterian Church

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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.

**At the end of worship**, please join us for Ice Cream Sunday 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,  
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**New Castle Presbyterian Church**  
**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

August 24, 2025

10:30 a.m.

**GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

**Prelude**

**Brethren, We Have Met to Worship** arr. Molly Ijames  
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 71)**

The Lord, Our God, is our hope.

**Rescue us, O my God, from the hands of the wicked.**

In the Lord, we take refuge.

**Deliver us, O God; incline your ear and save us.**

Especially when the unjust and cruel drag us all down,

**You, O God, are our rock and our fortress, a very present help in times of trouble. Hear our praise this day!**

# \*Hymn #157

## I Danced in the Morning

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)  
F Dm Am Dm

1 I danced in the morn-ing when the world was be-gun, and I  
2 I danced for the scribe and the Phar-i-see, but  
3 I danced on the Sab-bath and I cured the lame. The  
4 I danced on a Fri-day when the sky turned black. It's  
5 They cut me down and I leapt up high. †

(Em) (A)  
Gm C

danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I  
they would not dance and they would not foll-ow me. I  
ho-ly peo-ple said it was a shame. They  
hard to dance with the dev-il on your back. They  
I am the life that will nev-er, nev-er die. I'll

(D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)  
F Dm Am Dm

came down from heav-en and I danced on the earth. At  
danced for the fish-er-men, for James and John. They  
whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and  
bur-ied my bod-y and they thought I'd gone, but  
live in you if you'll live in me, †

(Em) (A7) (G) (D)  
Gm C7 Bb F

Beth-le-hem I had my birth.  
came with me and the dance went on.  
left me there on a cross to die.  
I am the dance and I still go on.  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

(F#m) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm) (D) (Bm)  
Refrain Am Dm Am Dm F Dm

Dance, then, wher-ev-er you may be; I am the Lord of the

(Em) (A) (D) (Bm) (D) (A7) (D)  
Gm C F Dm F C7 F

Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wher-ev-er you may be,

(Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)  
Gm C7 F Bb F

and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

This 20th-century ballad-like retelling of the life of Christ, though written for this Shaker tune, has many similarities with the pre-Reformation carol "Tomorrow shall be my dancing day." Such narrative carols were common both at Christmas and as part of medieval mystery plays.

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**O God of mercy, we confess that we live self-centered lives. We tolerate injustice and cruelty, complacent in our corner of the world. We neglect the needs of others.**

**In your righteousness, deliver us and rescue us. Turn us to your way and lead us into your light, that we might serve you and care for all of your creation... *(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**

### **Welcome into Membership – Nana Akosua Kwakye**

**Words of Welcome**

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you to this congregation. May God bless this new beginning, as we grow our faith and live as disciples of Jesus Christ together in this place!**

### **Scripture Conversation with Children**

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

**God who restores and lives up the downtrodden, you free us from our burdens and promise us safety and refuge. Speak your healing word to us today. Help us trust in your power, that we may praise you without qualification and rejoice in the gift of Christ your Son. Amen.**

#### **Scripture Lesson**

**Luke 13:10-17**

**Page: NT 76**

<sup>10</sup> Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over

and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” <sup>13</sup> When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup> But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day.” <sup>15</sup> But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” <sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him. *This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

*Priesthood of All Believers*

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

### **Ordination and Installation of Officers**

#### **\*Affirmation of Faith: The 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.**

Presentation of Candidates

Questions to Candidates & Congregation

*Do we, the members of the church, accept Mary Anne and Teisha as Deacons and Jen, Chris, and Gina as Elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? (We do.)*

*Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? (We do.)*

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Declaration and Welcome

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

**Wayfarin' Stranger**

arr Michael Larkin

Kellie Tetrick – 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**

**Holy One, receive these offerings and use them to heal your world. We bless you with all that is within us as we remember your benefits to us. Open our hearts and hands that we would give generously to help our neighbors in need. Open our lips that we would praise you throughout all our days. Open us to receive your good news of great joy in Christ 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.**

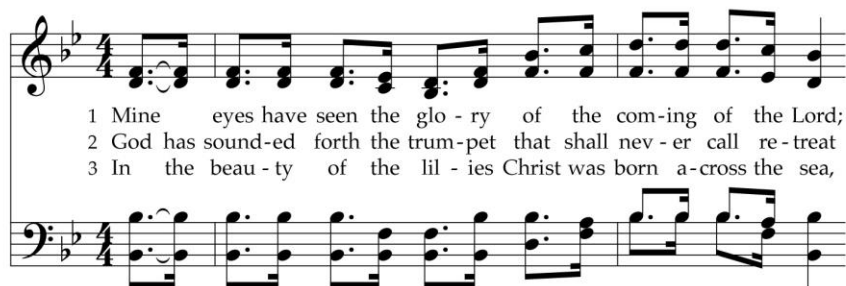
**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,**

**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.**

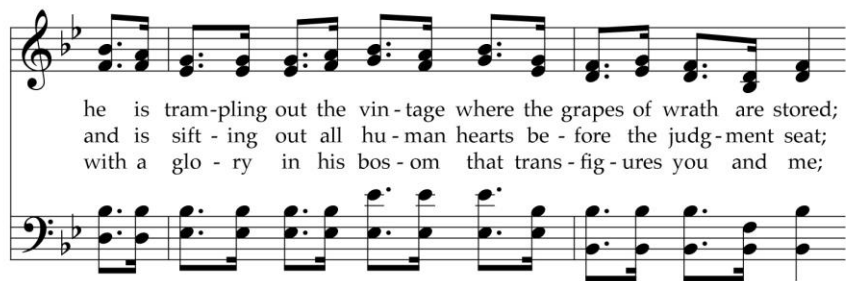
# GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*Hymn #354

## Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory



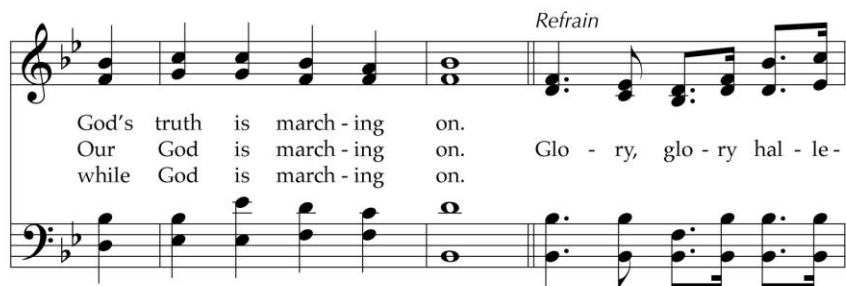
1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com-ing of the Lord;  
 2 God has sound-ed forth the trum-pet that shall nev - er call re-treat  
 3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a-cross the sea,




he is tram-pling out the vin-tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
 and is sift - ing out all hu-man hearts be - fore the judg-ment seat;  
 with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me;



he has loosed the fate - ful light-ning of his ter - ri - ble swift sword.  
 O be swift, my soul, to an - swer; O be ju - bi - lant my feet!  
 as he died to make us ho - ly, let us live to make all free,



*Refrain*  
 God's truth is march - ing on.  
 Our God is march - ing on. Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le -  
 while God is march - ing on.



lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry,



glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah! God's truth is march - ing on.

Though its biblical roots are often overlooked, this text incorporates many apocalyptic images such as the coming of the Lord in glory (Matthew 24:30/Mark 13:26/Luke 21:27), the winepress (Isaiah 63:3; Revelation 14:19, 19:15), and the sharp sword (Isaiah 27:1; Revelation 19:15).



## **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **Steeple Bell**

### **Postlude**

**Praise Ye the Triune God** arr. Larry Shackley

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 Ice Cream Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.*

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

*Worship Leader:* Nancy Kersey

*Counters:* Peter McCurdy/Mike Smith

*Ushers:* Bev Stoudt/Amy Selheimer

*Fellowship Hour:* Sidewalk Fellowship

*Nursery:* Mallory Mackie

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

***Fred Krebs***  
***1899 - 1969***

***Marie Hearn***  
***1925 - 2001***



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

Please sign up to usher and serve as worship leader:

<https://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/on-line-signups>

## **ICE CREAM SOCIAL – TODAY**

Join us for worship as we ordain and install new Elders and Deacons. We'll celebrate with an ice cream social after worship; the flavors are the favorites of our new officers. Come celebrate the call of the Holy Spirit that scoops us up and brings us together to serve in Christ's name!

## **NEW MEMBERS GATHERING**

Anyone considering joining NCPC or liking what they observe and wanting to learn more is encouraged to join members of the Congregational Life committee in the Fellowship Hall during our Ice Cream Social for conversation and connection!

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS - SEPTEMBER 7**

Sunday School is back on September 7th and we can hardly wait for another year of learning, fellowship, and fun, as we help our younger members grow in their faith. If you feel a calling to work with our younger members in either Sunday School or Nursery, please reach out to [Mallory Mackie](#) (Sunday School) or [Molly Shaw](#). (Nursery) for information about upcoming training!

## **MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD WITH NCPC**

Choir rehearsal resumes on Wednesday, September 3 at 7:30 p.m., to prepare for kick-off Sunday on September 7. If you'd like to learn more about NCPC's choir, please reach out to our Choir Director Eileen Larkin. Celebration Ringers, our handbell choir, will resume rehearsals on Thursday, September 4 at 7:00 p.m. If you'd like to learn more about participating, please reach out to Handbell Choir Director Minerva Lermond.

## **NEW CASTLE HEALTH AND WELLNESS FAIR – SEPT 13**

NCPC will have a table at the Health and Wellness Fair at Goodwill Fire Company on Saturday, September 13, from 10-2. We'll share about ways to connect with and through NCPC.

Would you be willing to help us table that day? If so, reach out to Pastor Miriam to sign up!

## **LOOKING AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER**

Mark your calendars for the September Clothing Drive for Friendship House's Clothing Bank, our Blessing of the Backpacks during worship on September 7, and our Fall Campfire and Cook-out (Saturday, September 27)!

<b><u>This Week's Schedule</u></b>			
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>08/24</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship - Ordination</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Ice Cream Sunday</b>
		<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>New Members Gathering</b>
		<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Congregational Life &amp; Membership Mtg</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>08/25</b>		<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
		<b>12:45-4:30pm</b>	<b>Private Counseling – Library</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>08/26</b>		<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Promises of AA Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>08/27</b>		<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
		<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Worship Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>08/28</b>		<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>08/29</b>		<b>Meals on Wheels</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>08/30</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>08/31</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Sidewalk Fellowship</b>

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Dan Knox, Treasurer

Minerva Lermond, Dir. of Handbells

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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month*

## DEACONS

2026	2027	2028
Lindy Ballance	Julia Spock	Mary Ann 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)*

