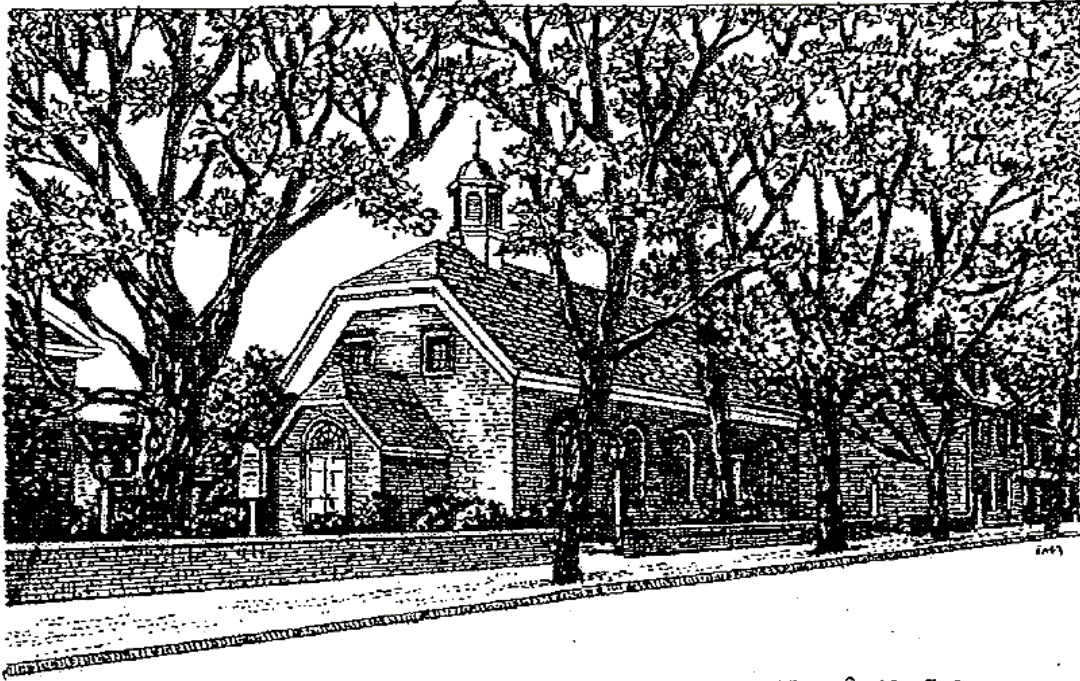


# New Castle Presbyterian Church

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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 are available for children 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 available in the Fellowship Hall

**At the end of worship**, please join us for sidewalk fellowship along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Summer Coffee Hours are on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the month.

**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 Second Street in front of the Meeting House are for handicapped parking only.

Please put your bulletins in the basket 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  
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

July 24, 2022

10:30 a.m.

**GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

Prelude

I Know Whom I Have Believed

arr. Lloyd Larson

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 138)*

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart.

**I give thanks for your steadfast love and your faithfulness.**

On the day I called, you answered me.

**On the day I called, you increased my strength of soul.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me.

**You stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.**

**O Lord, how wonderful is your steadfast love that endures forever!**

**\*Hymn #435**

**There's a Wideness in God's Mercy**

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It features a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is a simple, broad Dutch folk tune. The lyrics are arranged in two columns, with the first column corresponding to the Soprano part and the second column to the Bass part. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic support.

These stanzas, excerpted from quite a few more, offer a reminder that the model for our dealings with others should be God's generosity rather than limited human tolerance. The text is effectively set to a broad and sturdy Dutch folk melody, probably from the 17th century.

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we humbly confess that we have fallen short of who you call us to be. We seek peace and comfort in our lives, ignoring the needs of those around us. We live our lives in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors.**

**Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love, so that in turning to you, we may seek unity and peace 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

### Prayer for Illumination

**Holy and merciful God, you speak peace to your people, to the faithful, to those who turn their hearts to you. Send your Holy Spirit this day to fill our hearts, our minds, our whole world with your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Again He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” <sup>2</sup> So he said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy.

May your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.  
And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

<sup>5</sup> And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, <sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ <sup>7</sup> And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ <sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup> “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup> Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup> Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

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

Scripture Conversation with Children

Sermon

***“Ask, Search, Knock”***

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Sun of My Soul  
Bethany Faiz - Piano

arr. Tom Fettke

### **\*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**

**Jesus Christ, you teach us to pray and to trust the hospitality of God for our daily bread. As God blessed our ancestors with manna in the wilderness, let us rejoice in your daily blessings. As God gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to us, may our gifts reflect your loving care and bless our neighbors in need. 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 #465**


## **What a Friend We Have in Jesus**



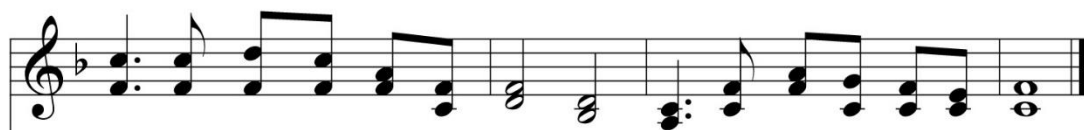
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum-bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need-less pain we bear,  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?  
Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak-ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so-lace there.

This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.



## **\*Charge and Benediction**

### **Steeple Bell**

#### **Postlude**

Praise To The Lord, The Almighty  
Bethany Faiz - Piano

arr. Lloyd Larson

*Please remain seated through the Postlude. As you exit, you may recycle your bulletin in the basket at the door. Join us along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street for outdoor fellowship.*

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Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Mary Fontinha

Ushers: Ray Snyder & Marshall Freund

Counters: Rob Barry & Scott Selheimer

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

***Russell H. Rausch***  
***1910-1966***

***Robert H. Taggart***  
***1923-1997***



## **ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE**

Due to the recent uptick in spam emails, we've changed the password to our online directory. Please contact Kris in the church office to receive the latest password.

## **NOW HIRING: PART-TIME CHILDREN AND YOUTH DIRECTOR**

Help us share the Good News of Christ with our youngest members! NCPC's Children and Youth Director position includes teaching Sunday School for children ages K-5, coordinating seasonal events for children of all ages, and planning activities for middle and high school-aged youth. Anticipated start on August 28, 2022.

A full job description is available on our website.

## **SUMMER COFFEE HOURS**

We'll gather for summer coffee hour on the first Sunday of the month. Trustees will host on August 7. In the meantime,

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we'll gather for sidewalk fellowship along 2nd Street as the weather permits.

## **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2022**

Join us on August 2, 2022, from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. in Battery Park. NNO brings community leaders and citizens together with our local public safety entities for conversation and determination to stomp out crime in our city. On this night there will be games for the kids, music by Paul Freebury, fire prevention activities by Good Will Fire Company, activities and presentations by the New Castle Police Department, DNREC demonstrations as well as involvement by the New Castle Court House Museum, Historical Society, New Castle Library, and other community groups. The New Castle Lions will be grilling hot dogs and provide chips and beverages.

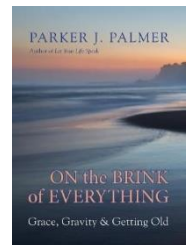
## **A TRIP OF A LIFETIME PRESENTATION**

Join us during Coffee Hour on Sunday, August 7, as Sandy Wilson shares about her Doc Martin adventures. Sandy will share pictures she took of the lovely village of Port Isaac, Cornwall, as well as tell stories about the wonderful people she met and experiences she had during this trip. It will b

## **SUMMER BOOK STUDY**

Thursday, August 11 at 1 p.m. - at Conchita Showell's house - Parker Palmer's [On The Brink of Everything](#)

Please RSVP to Pastor Miriam by the Sunday before our gathering.



## **KALEIDOSCOPE STORYTELLING EVENING**

Join Congregational Life on Friday, September 9 at 7:30 p.m., as author and storyteller Sharon Moore (member of Community Presbyterian, sister of our regular guest preacher Rourke Moore) sings and shares stories from her recent book, Kaleidoscope: Journey of the Sharecroppers' Granddaughter.

The event is free of charge; light refreshments and wine will be served. Pick up your copy of Kaleidoscope today from the church office for \$20 - cash or check made out to NCPC.

## RENEW OFFERING PROJECT

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to our VBS offering project – Renew. We have raised \$245 so far and will receive additional donations until the end of this month. Learn more about Renew here - <https://tinyurl.com/a7rknzyp>

Check out our fun photos from VBS on our website at [www.newcastlepreschurch.org/vacation-bible-school](http://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/vacation-bible-school)



## MENTORING

Our mentoring program with local schools was put on hold during the pandemic, but we're gearing up to get started again this fall. [Creative Mentoring](#) provides the needed training for you to make a difference in a child's life. Mentoring involves only half an hour to an hour once a week with a child who may be in need of only a caring adult to listen, play games, talk to or help with school work or organizational skills.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor, email [Candy Dunson](#). If we have 3 or more new mentors, we can arrange for the training to be done as a group at our church this fall.

## SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS: CO-CHAIR NEEDED

Trusting in God and the vaccines, we are expecting to have a full *Spirit of Christmas* celebration on Saturday, December 10, 2022 with NCPC again taking a major role along with the City of New Castle and the New Castle Historical Society. ***We are looking for a special volunteer to serve as co-organizer with Steve Martin, who worked on it last year.*** If you want to know more about what may be involved, email Steve ([martin@udel.edu](mailto:martin@udel.edu)) or call him at 302-354-4428.

## **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

### ***Mary Pratt***

Room 325-B  
Garden Care Center  
135 Franklin Avenue  
Franklin Square, NY 11010

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Wilmington, DE 19806  
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### ***Judy Hentkowski***

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New Castle, DE 19720  
(302) 328-8266

### ***Bev Denison***

134 Spring Meadow Dr  
Smyrna, DE 19977  
(302) 389-6919

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

### ***George Spock***

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Coos Bay, OR 97420

## ***This Week's Schedule***

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>07/24</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Sidewalk Fellowship</b>

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>07/31</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b>
			<b>Guest Preacher Tracy Keenan</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Sidewalk Fellowship</b>

*Pastor Miriam is away on vacation this week, July 25 - July 31.  
Contact the Church Office if you are in need of Pastoral Care.*

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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

2022	2023	2024
Kim Beebe	Candy Dunson	Rob Barry
Melissa Boris	Steve Martin	Chris Fagles
Connie Reese	Beverly Stoudt	Greg Fogarty
Ray Snyder	Jim Whisman	Scott Selheimer

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

## DEACONS

2022	2023	2024
Jane Fouracre	Lindy Ballance	Salina Brett
Nanette Nichol	Liz Parziale	Susan Fogarty
Janet Spring	Conchita Showell	Sandy Wilson

*Deacons meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month*

## TRUSTEES

2022	2023	2024
Steve Handy	Dan Dunson	Lyn Briggs
Joan Lioi	Mary Fontinha	Gary Graham
Peter McCurdy	Gail Seitz	Barbara Whisman

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

