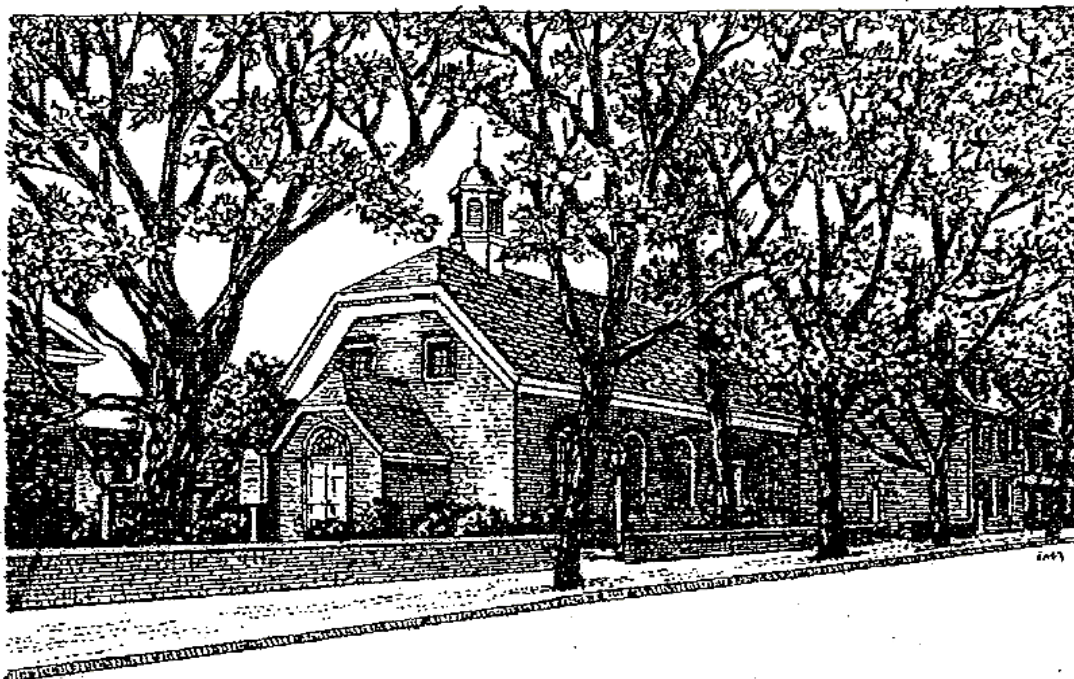


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New Castle Presbyterian Church ~ Built 1707 ~ New Castle, Delaware

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.

Sunday School and Nursery will be offered today. Children are invited to begin in worship; worship bags are available at the entrance. Following the Scripture Conversation, babies through four-year-olds may go to nursery; children ages five through eleven may go to Sunday School. All children must have an information form on file. Please see an usher for a copy of the form or if you have any questions.

At the end of worship, please join us for Coffee Hour in the Fellowship Hall.

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
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 18, 2022

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude All Things Bright and Beautiful 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
Choral Introit

Call to Worship

Beloved children of God, in supplication and prayer,

We come to worship God.

With intercessions and with thanksgiving, with hope and in humility,

We come to worship God.

With joy and with concerns, in faith and in uncertainty,

We come to worship God.

Come, O Holy Spirit, and meet us in our questions and our convictions.

Let us worship God!

***Hymn #327**

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Unison



1 From all that dwell be-low the skies let the Cre - a - tor's praise a -
2 In ev - ery land be - gin the song; to ev - ery land the strains be -
3 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord; e - ter - nal truth at - tends thy

Harmony *Unison*



rise: Let the Re - deem - er's
long: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! In cheer - ful sound all
word: Thy praise shall sound from



name be sung through ev - ery land, in ev - ery tongue.
voic - es raise and fill the world with joy - ful praise.
shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.

Harmony



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Because Psalm 117 contains only two verses, Watts's paraphrase had only two stanzas. Most later hymnals have created or borrowed additional stanzas, like the one included here, to enlarge the hymn. Perhaps the best solution is found by adding Alleluias, as this tune invites.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess that we are too concerned with our own peace.
We seek the comfort of silence, and ignore the cries of the oppressed.
We are inwardly focused, missing your call to serve the world in justice
and love.**

**Forgive us, O God. Equip us to fulfill your will for a world in which all
know dignity and all are treated with equity, as your beloved children...**
(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

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision
Amy Shimmin – Flute
Bethany Faiz - Piano

arr. Hal Hopson

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me Lord;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*God of all heaven, my victory won.
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all. Amen.*

Prayer for Illumination

Faithful and loving God, you hear the cries of your people for justice and mercy. You answer our prayers with the gift of your Son, who bears our burdens and sets us free. Send your Spirit to speak your truth to us. Purge and refine us, that we may love and serve you alone. Amen.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ² So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷ Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸ And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

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

Scripture Conversation with Children

Sermon

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

It Is Well With my Soul

arr. Martha Mier

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**

Almighty God, we give you thanks that in Jesus Christ you have entrusted us with the richness of your glory and the treasure of your grace. Make us faithful stewards of your good gifts, that we may show your love to this generation and welcome us into your eternal home. In Christ our Savior, we pray, 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 #372

O for a World

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The second system also has a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,
where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

Everything longed for in this text is a reminder of how far our present world is from what God wants. Yet this is not just wishful thinking; it is a call to action, a summons to participate in the fulfillment of God's desire for all earth's people to live in radical *shalom*.

TEXT: Miriam Therese Winter, 1987
MUSIC: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839
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*Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Steeple Bell

Postlude

O Worship the King

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.

Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Susan Flook

Ushers: Toni Marley &

Sunday School: Diana Reilly & Chris Fagles

Counters: Scott Selheimer & Gary Graham

Nursery: Beverly Stoudt & Lyn Briggs

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Olive M. Hurlburt
1911-1982

Jean Bankert
1921-1999



SIGN UP TO BE AN USHER OR WORSHIP LEADER

We are in need of ushers and worship leaders throughout this Fall.

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

VOLUNTEERS FOR FIRST SUNDAY COFFEE HOURS

This is your chance to make sure coffee hour has all of your favorite items! The sign-up sheet for First Sundays is posted in the Fellowship Hall. Haven't hosted before? Sign up with a friend and learn how our fair trade coffee gets made!

SUNDAY SCHOOL & NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Sunday School and Nursery care are back. We are in need of volunteers throughout the fall! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact:

For Sunday School: Diana Kenis-Reilly - dckr0680@gmail.com

For Nursery: Molly Shaw - mollypaige1@aol.com

EPIPHANY HOUSE DINNER SIGN-UP

Epiphany House (722 N Union St.) is one of Friendship House's transitional homes for women. NCPC provides a dinner on the second Thursday each month. Two volunteers arrive with food at 5 p.m., enjoy the meal with the residents, and are on their way by 6. For meal inspiration and dates, the sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Scott Selheimer with any questions.

MENTORING

Mentoring involves only half an hour to an hour once a week with a child to listen, play games, or help with school work. If you are interested in becoming a mentor, email Candy Dunson to learn more about training.

FRIENDSHIP HOUSE CLOTHING DRIVE

This year, Friendship House is especially looking for men's fall and winter clothes, and they're also interested in new or used school uniforms: solid color polo shirts and khaki pants, new or used, any size! Throughout the month of September, donations can be left in the Mission/Outreach room of the Fellowship Hall (second room on the right at the top of the stairs).

THURSDAY REFORMATION SERIES AT 1 p.m.

Our Thursday Bible Study group will zoom on Thursdays at 1 to learn about the Reformation through the Yale Divinity Series. Email Pastor Miriam for the link.

NCPC FALL RETREAT – BESIDE STILL WATERS

Our Fall Retreat will be Sept. 24-25 at Pocomoke State Park. Let our coordinators Greg Fogarty (gregorymfogarty@gmail.com) & Mike Smith (mikesmithteam@gmail.com) know if you have any questions.

BESIDE STILL WATERS – NCPC ON SEPTEMBER 25

While Pastor Miriam and other NCPC members will be away for our Fall Retreat, there will be 10:30 worship in the Meeting House. Worship leaders Will Nielsen, Carol Mayhew, and Melissa Boris will help proclaim the good news through the theme of Psalm 23 - Beside Still Waters. Choir, Sunday School, and Nursery are off that Sunday, but there will be Coffee Hour after worship, along with the option to celebrate the Quaker Meeting Anniversary.

SEPTEMBER 25 – QUAKER MEETING ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, September 25, there will be a celebration on the New Castle Green to commemorate the 350th anniversary of the first Quaker meeting in what is now Delaware. The meeting for worship will begin at 11 a.m. with a bag lunch to follow. Head on over after worship to join the celebration.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS - OCT 1

Join us on Saturday, October 1 at 10 a.m. for a short, outdoor service where the pets of NCPC may be blessed by Pastor Miriam. All creatures are welcome, but if your pet doesn't travel well, bring a picture or an accessory to be blessed.

NEW MEMBERS EVENT - OCT 2

Want to connect with NCPC? Join Congregational Life on Sunday, Oct. 2 at 12:30 at the Manse. Following Coffee Hour, walk on down the sidewalk to 20 The Strand for some extended conversation and light refreshments. Please RSVP to Jennifer Dunham - hunterbear80@hotmail.com.

Prayer List:

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook,
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This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	09/18	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		10:50am	Sunday School
		11:30am	Coffee Hour
		12:00pm	Deacons Meeting
Monday	09/19	6:30pm	Trustees Meeting
Tuesday	09/20	7:00pm	Christian Education Mtg via Zoom
Wednesday	09/21	7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	09/22	1:00pm	Bible Study - Reformation Series via Zoom
		7:00pm	Resource Development Meeting
		7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday-SUNDAY			Beside Still Waters: Fall Retreat
SUNDAY	09/25	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Coffee Hour

Kris will be on vacation, Monday, September 19.

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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 2nd Tuesday of the month

DEACONS

2023	2024	2025
Lindy Ballance	Salina Brett	Toni Marley
Liz Parziale	Susan Fogarty	Janet Spring
Conchita Showell	Sandy Wilson	

Deacons meets the 2nd Sunday of the month

TRUSTEES

2023	2024	2025
Dan Dunson	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)

