

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

January 31, 2016

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

The Life and Work of the Church

Welcome, friends and members

Please sign back page of bulletin

Nursery care available in Education Building

Restrooms found in Education Building

Prayer requests for offering plate

Fellowship Hour following worship

Announcements – please use microphone

* A Time of Greeting

Steeple Bell

Choral Introit

Call to Worship: Psalm 19

Speak to us this day, O Lord;
we are gathered to hear your Word.

Empower us with your Holy Spirit
to speak good news to the world.

***Hymn: #451** "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

*Prayer of Adoration

***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.**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God our Redeemer, we confess
that our lives do not reflect your glory.
You offer us your living Word,
but we do not listen to your voice.
You call us to be one in your Spirit,
but foster division in Christ's body.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Open our hearts again this day
to the liberating truth of your Word
and the life-giving power of your Spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

***Sung Response: #265, verse 4**

**Blessings abound where'er Christ reigns:
the prisoners leap to loose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm 19:

The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens God has set a tent for the sun, which comes out
like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hid from its heat.

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;
the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
**the commandment of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eyes;**

the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever;
**the ordinances of the LORD are true
and righteous altogether.**

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

But who can detect their errors?
Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep back your servant also from the insolent;

do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

Anthem: "Open Thou Mine Eyes"

Harlan

The Choir

Open Thou mine eyes and I shall see. Open Thou mine ears and I shall hear. Incline my heart, I shall desire, order my steps and I shall walk the ways of Thy commandments. O Lord my God be Thou to me a God that I may love You, that I may serve You, that I may worship You and adore You, that I may follow You, that I may look to You. Amen.

A Scripture Conversation

Hymn: #453 "Open Your Ears, O Faithful People"

Open your ears, O faithful people;

open your ears and hear God's word.

Open your hearts, O royal priesthood;

God has come to you.*

Old Testament Lesson: Nehemiah 8:1-10 sel. Page: OT 436

Hymn: #453 "Open Your Ears, O Faithful People"

They who have ears to hear the message,

they who have ears, now let them hear;

they who would learn the way of wisdom,

let them hear God's word.*

Hymn: #453 "Open Your Ears, O Faithful People"

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!

God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!

God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!

God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!* (repeat)

Sermon: *“Cheers and Jeers for the Word of God”*

***Hymn: #459 "O Word of God Incarnate"**

***Affirmation of Faith:** The Presbyterian Church of Korea
We believe in the one God, Maker and Ruler of all things, Father of all people; the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our Teacher, Example and Redeemer; the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength. We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule of faith and practice. We believe in the Church as the fellowship for worship and for service of all who are united to the living Lord. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness, and in the life everlasting. Amen.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Reception of Offerings by Ushers

*Presentation

***Doxology: #606**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Thanks

Pastoral Prayers

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn: #456 "Listen, God Is Calling"**

*Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Steeple Bell

*Postlude

You may recycle your bulletins in the basket at the back of the Meeting House.

**Words to Hymn #453 reprinted through OneLicense #A-720755*

Opportunities for Infants and Children

A Nursery Care Program for infants through age 3 is available in Room 207 after the Scripture Conversation. If your child needs to leave before that, please see an usher. Children ages 4 through 10 may also exit after the Scripture Conversation for **Someplace Else** (a lesson and activities in the CE Building, Rooms 203 and 204). *Please see an usher for a child safety registration form.* Children of any age are always welcome in worship.

Worship Assistance

Please see an usher to receive hearing assistance, a large print bulletin or bible, or a personal seat cushion.

Prayer List:

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 suzieflook@hotmail.com

Nursing Home and Hospital:

Fran Handy

Cadia Rehab/Silverside
3322 Silverside Road
Wilmington, DE 19810
(302) 478-8889

Vic Clark

The Lorelton
2200 W 4th St, Apt 328
Wilmington, DE 19805
(302) 419-7037 (cell)

Jean Swanson

Sunrise - Apt. 238
1555 W. Horizon Ridge Pkwy
Henderson, NV 89012
(302) 824-8030 (cell)

Don Reese

Christiana Care
4755 Ogletown Stanton Road
Newark, DE 19713
(302) 478-8889

At Home:

Judy Hentkowski

128 E. 2nd St
New Castle, DE 19720

Charlotte Mitchell

1031 Bear Road
New Castle, DE 19720

The Flowers are given to the glory of God
Carlo & Joanne Viola
In Honor of Our Church Family



Special Gifts Memorial Case:
D. Wallace Cox
1889-1972

Priscilla P. Kerney
1907-2000

This morning, our Ushers are:
Lindy and Sandy Ballance

Nursery Attendants: Bev Stoudt and Andrew Lundgren

Someplace Else: Esther Lindell & Jenna Duncan

Flowers: Brenda Walters

Brunch: Congregational Life and Membership and
Noon Circle



Five Wishes – Today

The New Castle Presbyterian Church Congregational Life Committee would like to share the gift of Five Wishes. This is a resource program for helping each of us express how you want to be treated if you are seriously ill and unable to speak for yourself.

Five Wishes was developed by Aging with Dignity, a national non-profit organization with a mission to affirm and safeguard the human dignity of individuals as they age and to promote better care for those near the end of life.

All are welcome to participate in a program led by:

Christa Winter

Delaware Ecumenical Council Faith and Action Director

On: Today after worship;

Chili Brunch will be served.

At: the Christian Education Building

25 East 2nd Street, New Castle

You will learn:

- How to discuss this topic with your family, and receive materials which you can use.
- How to develop a document which is accepted as a legal advanced directive in Delaware.
- How to choose a power of attorney for healthcare

Please join us for this important event. For additional information see:

<http://www.deccf.org/next-steps> or www.agingwithdignity.org.

Box Tops for Education

Please bring in any Box Tops for Education. Each one is worth 10 cents. I will turn them in to the school at the end of January.

Each and every one counts! Call Patti Isaacs-Hansen at (302) 377-2501 with any questions or concerns.



Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed for the 11:30AM Fellowship coffee hour on first Sunday's of each month for April 3 thru Aug 7, 2016.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the CE building. It is great fellowship to get a friend or two and host coffee hour. We can find you a partner.

Call Patti Isaacs-Hansen at (302) 377-2501 or Ringo Keka at (410) 658-7639 with questions and/or comments.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

Dot Campbell, 2/1
Nanette Nichol, 2/1
Gary Graham, 2/5
Beverly Denison, 2/11
Laura Gearheart-Esham, 2/11
Heather Raezer, 2/12



Dana Monzo, 2/14
Phyllis Stallard, 2/20
Eileen Larkin, 2/21
Cynthia Robbins, 2/25
Zarina Stone, 2/25
Joan Smith, 2/27

Ray & Lynn Snyder, 2/7
Amy & Scott Selheimer, 2/14
Judy & Bill Hentkowski, 2/15
Joan & Bob Appleby, 2/23



This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	1/31	10:30am	Worship & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Chili Brunch
			Five Wishes Presentation
Monday	2/1	7:00pm	Al-Anon Meeting
Tuesday	2/2	12:00pm	Noon Circle
Wednesday	2/3	7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	2/4	3:00-5:00	Art Class
		7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	2/5		<i>Pastor Nancy's Day of Rest*</i>
Saturday	2/6	8:00am	Tai Chi
		9:30-3:30	Art Classes
SUNDAY	2/7	10:30am	Worship - Lord's Supper
			& Someplace Else
		11:30am	Coffee Fellowship
		11:45am	Christian Education Meeting
		12:00pm	Colonial Chimers

**Pastor Nancy is always available for pastoral emergencies.*