

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

April 17, 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: Revelation 7

Salvation belongs to our God,
who is seated on the throne,
and to the Lamb.

**Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and strength
be to our God forever and ever. Amen.**

***Hymn: #327 "From All that Dwell Below the Skies"**

***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 of everlasting life, we confess
that we continue in the ways of death.**

**We see your work in our world
and still do not believe in you.**

**We listen to other leaders
and ignore your loving voice.**

Forgive us, God of grace.

**Restore us to your flock and fold
so that we may believe and receive
eternal and abundant life in you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

***Sung Response: #609**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson: John 10:22-30

Page: NT 104

Anthem: "Gentle Shepherd" I James/Pope
The Choir

Gentle Shepherd, lead us onward: we have need of nothing more; by still waters, through green pastures, You our weary souls restore. Gentle Shepherd, for Your glory, guide us safely to our home, with Your staff to draw us closer when our hearts begin to roam. Gentle Shepherd, when we wander through the valley of despair, and darkness overwhelms us, You are ever watching there. Gentle Shepherd, Voice of Comfort, calling through the night and cold, with Your rod of sweet correction, turn Your sheep back to the fold. Gentle Shepherd oh what mercy! You became the sacrifice, laid Your life down in submission when no lamb could pay the price. Gentle Shepherd, interceding, leading us through righteous ways, till we reach the upper pasture, where we'll live for endless days.

A Scripture Conversation

New Testament Lesson: Acts 9:36-43

Page: NT 128

Sermon: "Life Together"

***Hymn: #187** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

***Affirmation of Faith: A Declaration of Faith, 4.5**

We are certain that Jesus lives.

He lives as God with us,

touching all of human life with the presence of God.

He lives as one of us with God.

Because he shares our humanity

and has bound us to himself in love,

we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.

We declare that Jesus is Lord.

His resurrection is a decisive victory

over the powers that deform and destroy human life.

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: #265** "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

*Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Steeple Bell

*Postlude

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



Use this space to make note for yourself of prayer concerns raised and insights received:

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)

At Home:

Judy Hentkowski

128 E. 2nd St
New Castle, DE 19720

Esther Lindell

1 Shaw Alley
New Castle, DE 19720

Chris Fagles

201 Tralee Drive
Middletown, DE 19709

The Flowers are given to the glory of God



Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Laura C. Matthews

1923-1974

Ida M. Scott

1909-2003

This morning, our Ushers are:

Lindy and Sandy Ballance

Nursery Attendants: Molly Shaw & Heather Raezer

Someplace Else: Patti Isaacs-Hansen & Bev Stoudt

Flowers: Brenda Walters

Fellowship Brunch: Susan Townsend & Linda Twyford
& The Mission and Outreach Committee

MISSION BRUNCH TODAY
A TRIP TO FRANCE WITH REV. BILL AND GALE JOHNSON

Join us for brunch today after worship for a view of a new ministry in France by a son of our church, the Rev. Dr. Bill Johnson.

Bill and his wife Gale have been called by the Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship to return to France (where they served on a church-planting team from the mid-'80s to the mid-'90s). Bill will again serve the Evangelical Reformed Church, this time as an interim pastor in churches without a full-time pastor. They project a 3-year term of service in France. They also hope to help develop a link for these French churches to West Africa.

Bill is the son of the late and former New Castle Presbyterian Church pastor Ralph Johnson and NCPC member Anita Johnson. Bill and his wife Gale have four grown children. One of them, Kyria, was sent out in Feb. 2014 from Chapel PCA church in Beaver (Ascension Presbytery) to serve long-term as a MTW / Wycliffe (SIL) missionary to West Africa.

In France, Bill plans to make use of his current ministry to frail seniors as a chaplain, which he has been doing in the Pittsburgh area for the past 8 years.

Bill and Gale seek relationships with churches in their home presbytery (Pittsburgh Presbytery in the Presbyterian Church in America) and others in the Mid-Atlantic states.



The Delaware Diabetes Self-Management Program (DSMP) **FREE** Diabetes Education

New Castle Presbyterian Church
25 East 2nd Street, New Castle, DE

In Room 206

When? April 19 – May 24, 2016

Every Tuesday from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Dates: Tuesdays, 4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17 and 5/24

More knowledge about how to manage your diabetes can:

- Help you prevent and/or delay health complications
- Improve your hemoglobin A1C (average blood sugar reading)
- Help you make better food choices and lose weight
- Help you better control your glucose levels through exercise and stress management
- Help you communicate better with your health care providers

More knowledge about diabetes can improve your life!

Call today and sign up for this free workshop!

To register contact Kirsten Morris at 302-831-6136

For more information, visit our website at

<http://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/dpc/diabetesselfmgt.html>

Ties



Looking to get rid of those unwanted neck ties? Miranda Matthews and Mark Rappold are collecting them for a craft project. There will be a collection box in the CE building entrance way.



Cell Phones

Wondering what to do with those outdated cell phones? Ray Snyder is collecting old cell phones for Child, Inc. They will be erased and refurbished to dial 911 only, and given to domestic violence victims. Please leave in the church office.

Box Tops for Education

The Wilbur Elementary School PTA thanks the congregation for the donation of a total of approximately \$56 dollars' worth of Box Tops for the current school year. They have raised enough money from them to send the 3rd grade class on a field trip. Please continue collecting them for next year!

Some Place Else

We are looking for a few donations of religious themed jigsaw puzzles.

The younger class thanks Susan Townsend for her donation of several board books.

Shoe Drive in April



Now is the time for spring cleaning and putting winter items away. As you are cleaning out your closets and notice a few pair of shoes that will not last for another winter, consider donating them to our shoe drive. We did this last fall to support Touching Lives Ministries Outreach to a young man from Kenya with a debilitating leg injury. Brian is currently living in North Carolina with a host family. He is attending high and has been surrounded with love and support by his high school friends. He has already had three surgeries on his leg just to get rid of the infection. His leg reconstruction has started. Your donation of shoes has helped to pay for this surgery and other hospital costs. There will be a collection box in the hallway of the Christian Education building. Thank you.

An Afternoon of Family Fun!

Delaware Museum of
Natural History
4840 Kennett Pike, Wilmington, DE



Sunday, April 24th
1:30 PM

Gather at the museum to learn and enjoy!

Cost:

Adults: \$9

Children (3-17): \$7

Seniors (60+): \$8

Under 3: FREE

Members: FREE

Sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

Kristel Witt, 4/1
Benjamin Cooney, 4/1
Fran Gingher, 4/2
Jo Viola, 4/3
Cora Lundgren, 4/3
Susan Bishop, 4/4
Peter McCurdy, 4/4
Barbara Ransom, 4/5
Laurie Powell, 4/9



Sidney Wilson, 4/9
Molly Cooney, 4/13
Lisa Raker, 4/13
Linda Bennett, 4/13
Joanne Hopkins, 4/16
Liam Powell, 4/20
Bill Anthony, 4/27
Scott Selheimer, 4/30
Julia Lundgren, 4/30

Jenna & Sam Duncan, 4/4
Pat & David Bird, 4/12
Eileen & Michael Larkin, 4/12
Rod & Bev Denison, 4/16



This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	4/17	10:30am	Worship & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Brunch – The Rev. Bill Johnson in France
Monday	4/18		Painting in Kitchen
		7:00pm	English Country Dancers
		7:00pm	Al-Anon Meeting
		7:30pm	Trustees
Tuesday	4/19		Painting in Kitchen
		6:00pm	Diabetes Education Rm 206
Wednesday	4/20		Painting in Kitchen
		1:00pm	Bible Study
		6:15pm	Worship Committee Meeting
		7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	4/21		Painting in Kitchen
		3-5:00pm	Art Classes
		7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	4/22		Painting in Kitchen <i>Nancy's Day of Rest*</i>
Saturday	4/23	8:00am	Tai Chi
		9:30-3:30	Art Classes
		1:00pm	Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence in Meeting House
SUNDAY	4/24	10:30am	Worship & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship
		1:30pm	Family Event - Natural History Museum of Delaware

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