

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

November 13, 2016

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Hand Bell Prelude: “Prelude” Donald Allured
 Celebration Ringers

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: Luke 21

The day is coming, says the Lord,

when evil will be utterly consumed.

Surely the Lord is our salvation.

Trust in God; do not be afraid.

***Hymn: #757 “Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”**

***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

**Sovereign God, we confess
that we have not turned away from sin.**

**We hear of terror and trouble
and forget your promise of salvation.**

**We see signs of destruction
and try to save ourselves from harm.**

**And yet you are our strength and our might,
enabling us to work peaceably and to do what is right.**

**Grant us, we pray, ever deeper gratitude
for your grace in Jesus Christ,**

that we may pledge our lives to you in endless praise.

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

***Sung Response: #750**

**Goodness is stronger than evil;
love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness;
life is stronger than death.
Victory is ours; victory is ours,
through God who loves us.
Victory is ours, victory is ours,
through God who loves us.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25

Page: OT 696

Anthem: "Creation Will Be at Peace" Page/Williams

The Choir

Amy Shimmin, Flute

In the holy mountain of the Lord all war and strife will cease; In the holy mountain of the Lord, creation will be at peace. The wolf will lie down with the lamb, the cow and bear will feed, their young will lay together; a little child will lead. The leopard and goat will graze; the lion will feed on straw. They will war no more. A child will lead them all.

A Scripture Conversation

Sermon: *“Pledge of Peace”*

***Hymn: #378 “We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom”**

***Affirmation of Faith: The Confession of Belhar**

**We believe that God has entrusted the church
with the message of reconciliation
in and through Jesus Christ;
that the church is called to be the salt of the earth
and the light of the world,
that the church is called blessed
because it is a peacemaker,
that the church is witness both by word and by deed
to the new heaven and the new earth
in which righteousness dwells.**

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory: “For the Beauty of the Earth” arr. McChesney

Celebration Ringers

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: #307** “God of Grace and God of Glory”

***Charge and Benediction**

Choral Benediction

Steeple Bell

Postlude

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

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 4 through 10 may also exit after the Scripture Conversation for **Someplace Else** (a lesson and activities in the CE Building, Rooms 201 and 203). *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

Continuing Care Homes:

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)

Barbara Beaumont

The Watermark at Logan Sq
2 Franklin Town Blvd.
Room 526
Philadelphia, PA 19103
(215)575-9697

Mildred McGraw

Kentmere Rehab
1900 Lovering Avenue
Wilmington, DE 19806
(302) 652-3311

Dot Campbell

The Summit
5850 Limestone Rd, Apt. 1215
Hockessin, DE 19707
(302) 635-2059

At Home:

Judy Hentkowski

128 E. 2nd Street
New Castle, DE 19720

The Flowers are given to the glory of God by:

Gail & C.J. Seitz

In Memory of Marcia & Bill Quillen



Special Gifts Memorial Case:

David R. Woodruff

1920-1981

John W. Hopkins

1936-2012

This morning, Our Ushers are:

Jim Stoudt & Brenda Walters

Nursery Attendants: Molly Cooney & Jane Fouracre

Someplace Else: Diana Reilly, Laurie & Mark Powell

Flowers: Brenda Walters

Coffee Hour: Kelly Koczak McCurdy

Worship Leader: Scott Matthews

Assembly is Today
Seamen's Center Mission Project – 2016

“I was a stranger and you welcomed me.” These are words spoken and unspoken every day at the Seamen's Center of Wilmington, Inc. New Castle Presbyterian Church has the opportunity once again to be a part of this wonderful program. We will be one of many groups helping to provide “ditty boxes” to the approximately 1,200 seafarers who arrive at our port by ship during the month of December.

We hope to be able to provide 40 shoe boxes full of various items such as shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, candy, pens, notepaper, etc. as well as hand knitted scarves and hats. It is easy to help. Just take a Christmas package or two containing suggested ditty box items from the Seamen Center poster in Fellowship Hall. The lists are just a guide. You can purchase those items or use your imagination, except PLEASE NO CHOCOLATE. We like to fill our boxes to the top so don't hesitate to donate as many items as you would like. ALL ARE WELCOME TO HELP ASSEMBLE THE DITTY BOXES AFTER COFFEE HOUR.

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Seamen's Center Knitted Scarves and Hats

Many scarves and hats have already been donated. We would like to extend a special THANK YOU to the wonderful people who have been filling the shelves in the Mission Room with their knitted contributions.

It is not too late to make a hat or scarf. Worsted weight acrylic yarn in masculine colors should be used. Our yarn supply is low so please feel free to purchase your own yarn for your project and/or donate yarn for use by others in the church.

If you are interested, contact Ellie Gerhart (328-0908) or Barbara Whisman (322-6234) to obtain a pattern or for additional information.

Advent Candle Wreath Workshop

Sunday, November 20, 2016

11:45 AM



Please bring: greens to share

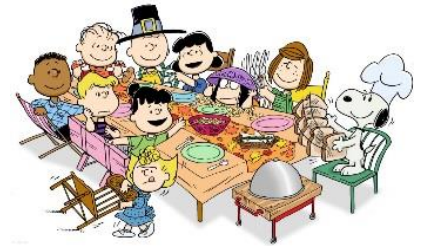
The CE Committee will provide all other materials,
including candles

Please sign up by calling the church office
(328-3279)

Thanksgiving Worship

Join your friends and neighbors in giving thanks to God for many blessings! This year's community worship service will be held at on Sunday November 20 at 7:00p.m. at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church. There will be a reception afterwards.

You are asked to bring a monetary offering for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's ministries to the poor.



Thanksgiving Breakfast

We will gather together in the Christian Education Building for breakfast on Thanksgiving Day (November 24) at 8 a.m. A home-cooked breakfast will be served. After breakfast, Pastor Nancy will lead a time of reflection and thanksgiving. You are particularly encouraged to invite your friends and loved ones!

Officers will be making reminder calls or emails in early November. If you have not been called by November 21st, please add your name to the list to be posted in Fellowship Hall, or call the church office ([302-328-3279](tel:302-328-3279)). If you would be willing to help serve, please indicate on the sign up.

Spirit of Christmas – Saturday, December 10, 2016

Sign Up!



Sign up sheets have been posted in the CE Building. Please sign up early! Sign up often! Your sign up counts! For questions, contact Pat Taylor, Miranda Matthews or Kelly Koczak McCurdy.

Spirit of Christmas – Saturday, December 10, 2016

Book Donations



We are looking for book donations for Spirit of Christmas - last year books about New Castle, Delaware, coffee table and Christmas themed books were great sellers. Please drop off at the Continuing Ed Building any time after Thanksgiving. Contact Peter McCurdy at petermccurdy@yahoo.com with any questions.

Spirit of Christmas – Saturday, December 10, 2016

Cookies



Calling all Cookies!!! It's that time again and, as you may know, the beverage/cookie table is always appreciated by Spirit of Christmas visitors. Please deliver your cookies (home-baked or purchased) to the church kitchen Friday, 12/9 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or early Saturday morning. Thank you, Brenda Walters & Conchita Showell.

Spirit of Christmas – Saturday, December 10, 2016
Soups, Breads, and Homemade Goodies!

Now is the season to open your recipe book. Tis the season to think about your culinary contributions for Spirit of Christmas.

If you would like to offer not only your delicious homemade soup and bread for sale, but also your homemade jams, jellies and fudge (*hint hint*). Some of these have been donated in the past, and were a great hit with the patrons. If you are talented in that way, please share your gifts in jars as well.

There will be soup containers and bread bags plus labels available in the kitchen closer to the date.

If you need further information, please call:
Janet Reed (302-328-6749)
Ray Snyder (302-328-1662)
Susan Townsend (302-328-5533)

Spirit of Christmas – Saturday, December 10, 2016
Craft Table

Crafters, please keep up the good work on items to contribute to the Spirit of Christmas craft table! We welcome more pocketbooks, mittens, ornaments, scarves, etc., which many of you have already perfected--or surprise us with something entirely new! The church craft room upstairs is stocked with material, yarn, buttons, and zippers for your use. Please call Miranda Matthews (302-838-2764) or Ellie Gerhart (302-328-0908) if you have questions.

**Get in the Thanksgiving and Holiday Spirit for
Our Spirit of Christmas
Community Mission for Friendship House, Dec. 10, 2016**

October and November are the perfect times to donate items for the Look What \$20 Will Buy table. The \$20 table consistently drives a large percentage of the funds we donate to Friendship House.

We are asking everyone to gather and shop for items valued at more than \$20.

If you have interesting pieces in your home to donate, or happened upon things during your summer travels - even clearance items found at summer sales - we are ready to receive them!

We encourage donations of Gift certificates/cards and event tickets worth more than \$20 for local and Wilmington restaurants and events.

Vera Bradley bags and accessories, jewelry, small appliances, housewares, holiday and New Castle and Delaware-themed items are always perennial favorites. Also, small items can be often be paired with other items to make a larger grouping.

Think about making it a family challenge to see who can find the best value for the \$20 table this year!

We are accepting items up to and including December 4th, 2016. If you need somewhere to store items you have, please see Carol Mayhew, 328-5194 or Joanne Viola, 545-0794.

Miranda Matthews, Pat Taylor & Kelly Koczak McCurdy
2016 Spirit of Christmas Chairs



**Never too early to
Donate a Frozen Turkey!**



If you earn credit for a free turkey this fall please consider donating that free turkey to a Christmas Food Basket project being organized by the Newark Area Welfare Committee. Beverly Stoudt is co-chairperson of this large undertaking. Approximately 375 families and senior citizens will receive a week's worth of non-perishable food on Saturday, December 17. Each basket also will be accompanied by a **10—15 lb. frozen turkey** for Christmas dinner.

Many grocery stores are offering bargain prices and offers of free turkeys before Thanksgiving. And, some companies give their employees a free turkey for Thanksgiving and/or Christmas. If you have accumulated credit or expect a gift of a turkey and do not want it, please consider giving it to our Christmas Food Basket project.

We will need your donated turkey **any time** before **Sun. Dec. 11**. If you plan to donate please call Beverly Stoudt, as soon as you get the turkey, at 368-9354 to arrange for pick up and storage. We have a facility that will store as many turkeys as we can get. If you would like to bring your donated turkey to any Sunday church service that would be wonderful and hopefully easy for your family. Put it in the kitchen freezer and tell Beverly it is there.

If you want to purchase a turkey and donate it we will be very grateful.

Remember the prices are much better before Thanksgiving than after.

- _____ We will pledge a turkey.
- _____ We will bring our donated turkey to church.
- _____ We do not have space to store a turkey and will need to have our donated turkey picked up.

Please call our family at _____.

Thank you for considering this loving project and taking the time to secure a frozen turkey!

-Beverly Stoudt (368-9354), Newark Area Welfare Committee, P.O. Box 951, Newark, DE 19715

November Birthdays and Anniversaries

Kelly Koczak McCurdy, 11/5

Thomas Truman, 11/5

Jean Swanson, 11/6

Amanda Anderson, 11/7

Dean MacEwen, 11/10

Robert Spring, 11/11

Caroline Monzo, 11/13

Michael Monzo, 11/13

Brenda Walters, 11/14



Patricia Bird, 11/15

Mary Pratt, 11/16

Jonathan Flook, 11/16

David Taylor, 11/18

William Wilson, 11/19

Susan Flook, 11/20

Judy Hentkowski, 11/23

Sarah Werkheiser, 11/24

Griffon Anderson, 11/27

Doug Esham & Laura Gearheart-Esham, 11/2

Gail & C.J. Seitz, 11/19



Mark Your Calendar - Yard Clean-up

Please join us for our church/manse yard clean-up on Saturday, December 3 at 9:00am until noon. Please bring rakes and/or brooms. All are welcome!

- Trustees

NCPC Directory



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This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	11/13		STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY
		10:30am	Worship & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Hour
		11:45am	Ditty Box Assembly
		12:00pm	Colonial Chimers
Monday	11/14	7:00pm	Al-Anon Meeting
		7:00pm	Deacon's Meeting
Wednesday	11/16	1:00pm	Bible Study
		7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	11/17	3:30pm	Art Classes
		7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	11/18		<i>Pastor Nancy's Day of Rest*</i>
SUNDAY	11/20		CHRIST THE KING
		10:30am	Worship & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Hour
		11:45am	Advent Wreath Workshop
		12:00pm	Colonial Chimers
		7:00pm	Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship
			St. Peter the Apostle RC Church

Pastor Nancy is always available for pastoral emergencies.