

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 22, 2017

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 at Manse

Announcements – please use microphone

\*A Time of Greeting

Steeple Bell

Choral Introit

**Call to Worship:**

The Lord is my light and my salvation;

**whom shall I fear?**

We proclaim the message of the cross:

**this is the wisdom and power of God.**

**\*Hymn: #401 “Here in This Place”**

**\*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 glory, we confess  
that we have not sought your face.**

**You call us to follow Jesus,  
but we are afraid to walk in faith.**

**You call us to be one in Christ,  
but we continue to quarrel and fight.**

**Forgive us; give us grace.**

**As you have sent a Savior to us,  
send us out as witnesses:**

**to show the wonder of your love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(silent prayers)*

## Assurance of Pardon

**\*Sung Response: #611, vs. 1**

**Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.**

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 9:1-4

Page: OT 638

Anthem: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Thomerson  
The Choir

*I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus. I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.*

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:12-25

Page: NT 3

## A Scripture Conversation

Epistle Lesson: I Corinthians 1:10-18

Page: NT 166

Sermon: *“Great Light”*

**\*Hymn: #170** “You Walk along Our Shoreline”

**\*Affirmation of Faith:** A Declaration of Faith, 9.1

**Christ calls us to be disciples.**

**In forming his people and sending them into the world**

**Jesus called individuals to be disciples.**

**They were to share the joy of his companionship,**

**to understand and obey his teachings,**

**and to follow him in life and death.**

**We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship.**

**Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ**

**is God's undeserved gift to each of us.**

**It is also God's demand upon every one of us,**

**never perfectly fulfilled by any of us.**

**Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and sisters,**

**we strive to become more faithful and effective**

**in our daily practice of the Christian life.**

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Reception of Offerings by Ushers

\*Presentation

\***Doxology: #720**, verse 4

**Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thy obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.**

\*Prayer of Thanks

Pastoral Prayers

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\***Hymn: #853** “We Are Marching in the Light of God”

\*Charge and 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](mailto: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

#### ***Dot Campbell***

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

### ***At Home:***

#### ***William Wilson***

53 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
New Castle, DE 19720  
(302) 544-6578

#### ***Esther Lindell***

1 Shaw Alley  
New Castle, DE 19720  
(302) 324-8889

#### ***Mildred McGraw***

118 Harmony Street  
New Castle, DE 19720  
(302) 652-3311

The Flowers are given to the glory of God.

*Lisa Fries*

**In Memory of David Fries**



Special Gifts Memorial Case:

*Esther M. Rothrock*

*1872-1925*

*Mabel E. Ransom*

*1903-1983*

This morning, our Ushers are:

Lindy & Sandy Ballance

Flowers: Brenda Walters

Someplace Else: Pat Taylor & Diana Reilly

Nursery: Ron & Susan Studd

Coffee Hour: C. J. Seitz

Worship Leader: Carol Mayhew



## **How to Plan a Funeral**

The Worship Committee will be offering a workshop on **January 29** to enable members and friends to pre-plan funerals, or at least become acquainted with the process. The Directory for Worship in the Book of Order says:

“Because it is difficult under emotional stress to plan wisely, the session should encourage members to discuss and plan in advance the arrangement which will be necessary at the time of death, including decisions about the Christian options of burial, cremation, or donation for medical purposes. These plans should provide for arrangements which are simple, which bear witness to the resurrection hope, and in which the Christian community is central.”

This workshop will include a pot-luck brunch at 11:30am. Snow date is February 5. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall to participate in the brunch and/or the workshop.

## **BoxTops for Education**



Please remember to bring in any BoxTops for cash. I will turn them in to the school on Monday, February 6th.

Each and every one counts! The schools collect them for cash twice a year, October and February.

- Patti Isaacs-Hansen



## **Bringing Hope to Refugees Around the World**

Please be sure to sign up for various opportunities to Volunteer or Donate items to help with refugees. The bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall has all of the particulars. An information session will be held today in Room 206.

- Patti Isaacs-Hansen

### **Coffee Hour**

A couple of volunteers are needed to help with coffee hour on Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup>, and June 4<sup>th</sup>.

If you can contribute a dish or two and/or help with either set-up or serving there is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board, or on the computer at: <https://mealtrain.com/k4mo6d>

I will make the coffee and clean up. See me with any questions.

- Patti Isaacs-Hansen

### **White Gifts**

Thanks to all of you who contributed to the White Gift Fund in December and for all of you who continue to be generous with your canned goods. The Food Closet at St. Peter's especially needs full meal contributions: beef stew, hearty soups, corned beef hash, tuna, ham, chicken; as well as feminine hygiene products and paper products. The Someplace Else program is making a different contribution to White Gifts each month. This month's offering is Capri Sun Juice Boxes. Thank you, Someplace Else students!!

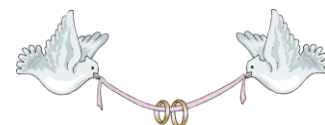
## January & February Birthdays and Anniversaries

Linda Twyford, 1/10  
Wren Esham, 1/14  
Daniel Dunson, 1/16  
Jim Whisman, 1/17  
Louise Thornton, 1/22  
Mildred McGraw, 1/25  
Julia Spock, 1/27  
Dot Campbell, 2/1  
Nanette Nichol, 2/1  
Gary Graham, 2/5



Laura Gearheart-Esham, 2/6  
Beverly Denison, 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

Bob & Janet Swick, 1/21  
Jim & Barbara Whisman, 1/25  
Charles & Joanne Ward, 1/26  
Ray & Lynn Snyder, 2/7  
Amy & Scott Selheimer, 2/14  
Judy & Bill Hentkowski, 2/15  
Joan & Bob Appleby, 2/23





Family Outing  
Roller Skating  
At Christiana Roller Skating Rink  
Saturday, January 28  
9:00 am // \$10 per person  
(includes class and skates)

**Deadline to sign up is  
Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

## *This Week's Schedule*

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>1/22</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Worship &amp; Someplace Else</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Fellowship Hour</b>
		<b>11:40am</b>	<b>Refugee Resettlement Info</b>
		<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Colonial Chimers</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>1/24</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>1/25</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Choir</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>1/26</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Celebration Ringers</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>1/27</b>		<i>Nancy's Day of Rest*</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>1/28</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b>
		<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Roller Skating</b>
			<b>@ Christiana Roller Skating Rink</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>1/29</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Worship &amp; Someplace Else</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Fellowship Brunch</b>
			<b>How to Plan a Funeral</b>
		<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Colonial Chimers</b>

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