

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

February 26, 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

Announcements – please use microphone

*A Time of Greeting

Steeple Bell & Choral Introit

Call to Worship: Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus led disciples up a high mountain, by themselves.

And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white.

While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said,

“This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!”

***Hymn: #452 “Open the Eyes of My Heart”**

***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.**

**Your light shines all around us
and yet we fail to see it.**

**Your voice calls to us from heaven
and yet we fail to listen.**

Forgive us; give us grace.

**Let us be witnesses to your glory;
make it our mission, each day,
to show the wonder of your love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

***Sung Response: #451, verse 1**

**Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 17:1-9

Page: NT 18

Anthem: "Beautiful Savior" Larson
The Choir

Beautiful Savior, King of creation! Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'll love Thee, truly I'll serve Thee. Light of my soul, my joy, my joy, my crown. Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the blooming flowers of spring. Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer. He makes the woeful heart to sing. Fair is the sunshine, fairer is the moonlight, bright are the sparkling stars on high. Jesus shines brighter; Jesus shines purer, than all the holy angels in the sky. Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, forevermore, now and forevermore be thine!

A Scripture Conversation

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 24:12-18

Page: OT 70

Epistle Lesson: II Peter 1:2-3, 12, 15, 16-21

Page: NT 236

Sermon: *“Woke”*

Hymn: #839 “Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

***Affirmation of Faith: A Declaration of Faith, 4.3**

We recognize the work of God

in Jesus' power and authority.

He did what only God can do.

We also recognize the work of God

in Jesus' lowliness.

When he lived as a servant

and went humbly to his death

the greatness that belongs only to God was manifest.

In both his majesty and lowliness

Jesus is the eternal Son of God,

God himself with us.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Reception of Offerings by Ushers

*Presentation

***Doxology: #630, verse 1**
Fairest Lord Jesus,
Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down,
thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
***Prayer of Thanks**

Pastoral Prayers

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn: #192 “Shine, Jesus, Shine”**

***Charge and 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 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

Dot Campbell

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

William Wilson

Brandywine Nursing Ctr.
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Wilmington, DE 19808

At Home:

Esther Lindell

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New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 324-8889

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118 Harmony Street
New Castle, DE 19720
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The Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Joan Smith

In Memory of Carrie & Bill Smith, My Parents



Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Rose W. Montgomery

1869-1943

Fitzhugh L. Brauer

1910-1985

This morning, our Ushers are:

Lindy & Sandy Ballance

Flowers: Brenda Walters

Someplace Else: Bruce Raker & Diana Reilly

Nursery: Amanda & James Anderson

Fellowship Hour: Jo Viola

Worship Leader: Ray Snyder



Coffee Hour

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

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

Adult Bible Study

Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 pm:
Beginning March 1 in the Fellowship Hall.
In the Steps of Jesus. We will look at the sights and stories of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Course continues through April 12.





SAVE THE DATE

March 26, 2017 6:00 – 9:00pm

Wilmington University, New Castle Campus off Rt.13

Join us for dinner celebrating Pastor Nancy's retirement and her service to the congregation and the community. Look forward to an evening of memories, music, and merriment. For more information see a member of the planning committee:

Lyn Briggs	Scott Matthews
Monty Gerhart	Gail Seitz
Kelly Koczak-McCurdy	Conchita Showell
Eileen Larkin	Ray Snyder
Miranda Matthews	Ron Studd

February & March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Cynthia Robbins, 2/25

Zarina Stone, 2/25

Joan Smith, 2/27

Howard Sowden, 3/5

Charles Smith, 3/6

Ginny Appleby, 3/9

Amy Selheimer, 3/10

Brian Werkheiser, 3/10

Carl Witt, Jr., 3/10

Jennifer Dunham, 3/12

Chad Viola, 3/12

John Handy, 3/16

Katherine Martin 3/16

Jane Fouracre 3/19

Gene Mayhew 3/20

Lucy Armstrong, 3/25

Jamie Kern, 3/25

Nancy Rowland 3/25

Sandra Wilson, 3/30

Barbara Toccafondi 3/31



Joan & Bob Appleby, 2/23

Dana & Eric Monzo 3/24



Ecumenical Lenten Suppers

Join with your friends in New Castle to observe the season of Lent. We will gather beginning March 8 for Wednesday evening fellowship suppers at 6:00 pm, followed by a presentation by the host church. Participants are free to go by 7:30.

The schedule will be:

March 8 - New Castle Presbyterian

March 15 - Hope Lutheran

March 22 - New Castle United Methodist

March 29 – St. Peter the Apostle Roman Catholic

April 5 – Immanuel Episcopal

A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hall to volunteer to help with this event. For further information, contact the church office (302-328-3279). Let us together keep a Holy Lent.

This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	2/26	10:30am	Worship & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Hour
		11:30am	Interim Pastor Search Comm.
		12:00pm	Colonial Chimers
		1:00pm	Confirmation Class
Tuesday	2/28	7:00pm	Session
Wednesday	3/1	1:00pm	Bible Study
		7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	3/2	7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	3/3	9:00am	Presbytery Retreat
			Ocean City, MD
Saturday	3/4	8:00am	Tai Chi
		9:45am	Presbytery Meeting
			(Recognition of Nancy' Retirement)
			Ocean City, MD
		10am-6pm	Private Party – Fellowship Hall
SUNDAY	3/5	10:30am	Worship– Baptism/Lord's Supper
			& Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Hour
		11:45am	Christian Education
		12:00pm	Colonial Chimers
		1:00pm	Confirmation Class