

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

April 2, 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: Ps. 130; Ezek. 37; John 11

Out of the depths we cry to the Lord.

In the valley of death, we await God's Word.

Jesus says: I am the resurrection and the life.

We turn to him in faith, and live.

***Hymn: #396** "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

*Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of great mercy, we confess

that we have sinned against you.

**We speak as though hope is lost,
even while you are still speaking.**

**We act as though death is the end,
even while you are still acting.**

Forgive us, by your steadfast love.

Breathe into us your breath, O God

that we may be filled with such a spirit of life,

that others may be drawn to you;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

***Sung Response: #799**

**I love the Lord, who heard my cry
and pitied every groan.**

**Long as I live and troubles rise,
I'll hasten to God's throne.**

**I love the Lord, who heard my cry
and chased my grief away.**

**O let my heart no more despair
while I have breath to pray.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson: John 11:1-45

Page: NT 104

Anthem: "When Jesus Wept"

Olejar

The Choir

*When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound;
when Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.*

A Scripture Conversation

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Page: OT 806

Sermon: "Breath, Belief, and New Beginnings"

***Hymn: #797 “We Cannot Measure How You Heal”**

***Affirmation of Faith: A Declaration of Faith, 10.3**

**We are convinced the life God wills for each of us
is stronger than the death that destroys us.**

**The glory of that life exceeds our imagination
but we know we shall be with Christ.**

So we treat death as a broken power.

Its ultimate defeat is certain.

In the face of death we grieve.

Yet in hope we celebrate life.

No life ends so tragically

that its meaning and value are destroyed.

Nothing, not even death,

can separate us from the love of God

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Reception of Offerings by Ushers

*Presentation

***Doxology: #624, verse 3**

**Thou art the life, by which alone we live,
and all our substance and our strength receive;
sustain us by thy faith and by thy power,
and give us strength in every trying hour.**

*Prayer of Thanks

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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.**

Words of Institution & Distribution

You may say to your neighbor:

"The Body of Christ", then "The Cup of Salvation"

Closing Prayer

Please dispose of your cups in the basket near the exit as you leave.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn: #250** “In the Bulb There Is a Flower”

*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

Dot Campbell

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

William Wilson

Brandywine Nursing Ctr.
505 Greenbank Road, Rm C6B
Wilmington, DE 19808

Barbara Quillen

Christiana Care
4755 Ogletown Stanton Rd
Newark, DE 19718

At Home:

Esther Lindell

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

Don Reese

112 W. 7th Street
New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 322-2773

Mary Pratt

Millcroft Rehab.
255 Possum Park Road
Newark, DE 19711

The Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Karen Fry

In Memory of my mom, Lorraine G. Fry



Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Howard L. Wilhelm

1887-1954

Kimber L. Shoop

1917-1985

This morning, our Ushers are:
Gail and C.J. Seitz & Jim Stoudt

Flowers: Brenda Walters

Someplace Else: Pat Taylor & Diana Reilly

Nursery: Amanda and James Anderson

Communion Servers: **Pat Taylor***,
Jo Viola, Janet Spring, Ray Snyder and Ron Studd

Fellowship Hour: Ray Snyder



Coffee Hour

A couple of volunteers are needed to help with coffee hour on Sunday 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:
Continuing April 5 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.



Ecumenical Lenten Suppers



Join with your friends in New Castle to observe the season of Lent. We will gather for our final Lenten supper April 5th at Immanuel Episcopal Church at 6:00 pm, followed by a presentation. Participants are free to go by 7:30.

For further information, contact the church office (302-328-3279). Let us together keep a Holy Lent.

This program wraps up our examination of poverty and incarceration in the Wilmington area. Let us together keep a Holy Lent.

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

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





Flower Donations

In the spirit of the season of Easter, the sanctuary will be decorated with spring flowers. If you would like to donate a flower in memory of a Loved One, or honor of someone, please fill out this form and return it with your check in the amount of \$15.00. Please order as early as possible.

Deadline to order is April 9, 2017 (Palm Sunday).

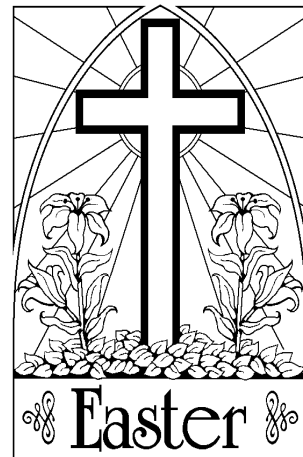
NAME: _____

AMOUNT: \$ _____

(check one) IN MEMORY _____/HONOR _____ OF:

**Please make all checks payable to:
New Castle Presbyterian Church
25 E. 2nd Street
New Castle, DE 19720**

Thanks again for your support!



This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	4/2	10:30am	Worship – The Lord's Supper & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Hour
		11:40am	Nominating Committee Rm 206
		11:40am	Refugee Committee Waiting Rm
		12:00pm	Colonial Chimers
		12:30pm	Confirmation Class
Tuesday	4/4	12:00pm	Noon Circle
Wednesday	4/5	1:00pm	Bible Study
		6:00pm	Lenten Supper @ Immanuel
		7:30pm	Choir
Thursday	4/6	7:30pm	Celebration Ringers
Friday	4/7		Brownies Due
Saturday	4/8	8:00am	Tai Chi
		9:15am	Emmanuel Dining Room Prep
SUNDAY	4/9		Palm/Passion Sunday
		10:15am	Processional from Town Hall
		10:30am	Worship & Someplace Else
		11:30am	Fellowship Hour
		11:40am	Christian Education Mtg
		11:40am	Session
		12:00pm	Colonial Chimers
		12:30pm	Confirmation Class