

New Castle Presbyterian News

March 2008



Holy Week Worship at New Castle Presbyterian

Palm Sunday, 3/16 11:00 a.m.

Gather at New Castle Town Hall
(weather permitting) to process into our
Meeting House with palms and bells.

Maundy Thursday, 3/20 6:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Supper, Worship, &
Communion in the Fellowship Hall

Good Friday, 3/21 12:00 Noon

Quiet Service of Scripture and
Meditation in the Meeting House

Easter Sunday, 3/23 6:30 a.m.

Community Sunrise Service at Wharf

11:00 a.m.

Resurrection Worship (Meeting House)

**THE EASTER FAIR
IS COMING!!**

**Saturday, March 22nd
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

**Games, Crafts, Refreshments,
and a Celebration of the
Life Christ Brings!**

Help us welcome our Community!



We Need: - Eager Participants

- **Volunteers to fill Easter Eggs with candy, toys, stickers, or other trinkets (Get 2 dozen empty eggs today)**
- **Cookie Bakers**
- **Craft Volunteers**
- **Game Leaders**
- **Egg Hiders**

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TODAY IN THE CE BUILDING

THANKS AND A NEW REQUEST FOR EMMANUEL DINING ROOM

The mission and outreach committee wants to thank those of you who have been baking brownies to supplement the meal we prepare for lunch at the Emmanuel Dining Room on the 8th of each month. We deliver them along with the hamburger and macaroni casserole and canned vegetables. The clients really appreciate the homemade desert! Thanks also to those of you who have helped to cook, deliver and serve the meals.

We are asking for additional support from the congregation to enhance our congregation's March delivery. We would like to purchase fresh fruit (apples, citrus and bananas) to include in the meal. Please consider making a small cash donation to the collection box in the CE building during fellowship after church, or you can give money directly to Cynthia Robbins or Janet Spring. We will purchase fruit at the farmers market on March 6th or 7th. Thanks again for all your support of this mission of our congregation.

A LETTER OF THANKS FROM READ ALOUD DELAWARE

Dear Conchita,

Thank you so much for inviting me to speak at your Valentine's Day brunch. I enjoyed meeting the church members and sampling the delicious buffet.

On behalf of Read Aloud Delaware, I would also like to express our gratitude and thanks for making a generous donation of \$140.00 and collecting 14 new children's books to add to our collection. We feel fortunate to be the recipients of your generosity.

We would welcome volunteers from the New Castle Presbyterian Church to read to children in some of our New Castle centers. We especially need volunteers for two Head Start centers located in the Rose Hill Community Center. Volunteers could possibly go as a group at a designated day/time and could carpool.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions. I appreciate your interest and support for our program to help give kids a reading start.

Sincerely,
Janet M. Chin

NEW Weekday Bible Study

Due to popular request, a new weekday Bible Study has begun. This class will meet every Wednesday from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. and is open to the entire congregation and community. Share the Word with your friends and neighbors! We will begin our study with the Book of Psalms. Gather regularly with other seekers for enrichment, challenge, insight, and fellowship each week. This class is for you!!

Meals on Wheels

Our next delivery will be March 17-20 2008. There will be no deliveries on March 21st-Good Friday. If anyone is interested in delivering meals to shut-in Seniors in the New Castle area, please contact Ellen Matthews at 302-777-1133.

Monday

Shirley Knox

Tuesday

Jean Swanson
Joan Smith

Wednesday

Dot & Jason

Thursday

Cynthia Robbins
Nanette Nichol

Friday

Susan Flook
Ruth Moore

ECUMENICAL LENTEN SUPPER OUTREACH PROJECT

IMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH PARISH HALL

MARCH 4, 2008 AT 6:00 PM

Immanuel Church would like to pursue a project benefiting the Boys and Girls Club of New Castle. We are asking that you bring an item on their wish list (items listed at right) for their art room, learning center or physical education programs. After dinner we will sort the materials into boxes so they can be delivered to the club. Thank you very much for your support of this community outreach effort.

ECUMENICAL OUTREACH PROJECT

Art Room

Pencils (#2)
Scissors (rounded point)
Clay-dough (all colors)
Glue
Tape (masking and clear)
Construction Paper
Poster Paper
Finger painting paper
Paints (acrylic, tempura, finger)
Crayons
Markers

Learning Center

Board Games
Reference Books
Books (teen, children, dictionary, atlas)
Pencils and erasers
Pens (black and blue)
Paper (lined, unlined, construction)
Tape
Stapler
Glue
Paper Clips
Tacks

Physical Education

Mini-basketballs
Basketballs
Horse shoes and spikes
Jump Ropes
Volleyball Set
Dodge Balls
Kick Balls
Soccer Balls
Football

Book Night at NCPC

Ann Lamotte's newest book, **Grace Eventually**, will be our selection for Tuesday evening, March 18th at 7:00. This is the third book in her series that began with **Traveling Mercies: Thoughts on Faith**, and **Plan B: Further Thoughts on Faith**. We hope to see you there.

Janet Spring
Mission and Outreach Committee

An Invitation

I would like to invite 3 or 4 people to our Easter dinner. We hope there is someone in our church who would like to join us to celebrate! Please let me know!

- Sue Townsend (328-5533)

Thank You

Arline, Drew, Shelly and I would like to extend a heart filled thank you to all our church family who have prayed, visited, and supported our small family in all of our circumstances of ill health, surgery, and confusion. Our kind Christian family has been a way to experience friendship which extends through Our Father.

- Sue Townsend

Goodbye

With sadness, we bid farewell to our new church administrative assistant, Alison Clark. Alison's husband Aaron is taking a position with DELL in Oklahoma City, where Aaron is originally from. Our prayers are with Alison, Aaron and Maggie as they make this big move!

A Time of Greeting

So that we might better welcome our visitors to worship, the Session has approved the addition of a Time of Greeting to our Sunday worship. You are invited to greet those around you for the sake of Christ. In this flu season, do not feel that you have to shake hands! A few simple words of greeting to your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ are all that is required. We especially hope that you will speak to anyone near you whom you do not know very well. You may just be the face of Christ to them that Sunday!

Thank You

On behalf of the Mission and Outreach committee I would like to thank the members and friends of our congregation for their continued support of our programs throughout the year. We had a very nice turn-out for Senior Sunday and the hand made pillows were very well received.

A special thanks to the work crew who stayed after church on a Sunday in January and cut, stitched, ironed and stuffed the pillows. Sue Townsend and Conchita Showell coordinated this project and did a fine job.

Our "Souper" Bowl Sunday soup collection was also a success. I received a nice thank you note from Scout Leader Nan Ciuffetelli (who coordinated this outreach) informing me that their efforts produced over 400 cans of soup donated for the Local Food Bank. The weather was on our side in February for our Valentine's brunch. We were able to raise \$140.00 for the Read Aloud Delaware Program and hopefully will have some volunteers interested in mentoring. Conchita Showell is currently volunteering with the Baylor Prison reading program and will provide us with updates on what she is doing for this outreach program.

Last Sunday, we asked for donations for purchasing fresh fruit for the Emmanuel Dining Hall and the collection basket was full before the end of coffee hour. Nevertheless, with our current economy in doubt, and many individuals on a fixed income, we can appreciate the fact that not everyone can support all of our mission activities financially. We hope you will continue to support us with your prayers, your time, and your talents, for those are valuable gifts as well. God Bless You!

Lenten Supper Outreach

On a cold, icy Tuesday evening on February 12, 35 brave and stalwart Christians met at our church for the first of the Lenten series dinners. After a delicious meal of soup and bread, we created "zip lock survival kits" for the homeless that come to the breakfast program served by Friendship House at the church of St. Andrew and St. Matthew at 8th and Shipley Street in Wilmington.

Each kit contained a tissue pack, a small notebook and pen, a razor, a large envelope for holding important papers, a rubber band, band aids, Chap Stick, safety pins, cough drops, and hand towelettes. We made 100 kits and they were distributed on the following Sunday at the breakfast program. The leftover frozen pastries and breads from the Valentine's brunch were also delivered to Friendship House to be served at their "hospitality centers" throughout the city of Wilmington.

The Biggs Museum of American Art presents
DELAWARE SILVER
Featuring
the Col. Kenneth P. & Regina I. Brown Collection
and loan exhibition
Masters in Our Midst

March 5th through June 29th 2008

The Biggs Museum is proud to celebrate *Delaware Silver* featuring the permanent installation of the *Col. Kenneth P. & Regina I. Brown Collection* in the State's first Delaware Silver Study Center and an exciting masterpiece exhibition, *Masters in Our Midst*.

The Brown Collection at the Biggs Museum represents over 50 years of collecting and includes nearly 750 pieces of silver made and retailed in the State of Delaware during the 18th and 19th centuries. Featuring silver costume objects, militaria, table wares, commemorative wares, tea and coffee services; the Brown Collection is among the finest known for studying Delaware silversmiths. This Brown Collection is also featured in a fully illustrated catalog.

In addition, the loan exhibition, *Masters in Our Midst*, brings together some of the most exceptional silver by Delaware smiths from private and public collections across the country. Three canns (mug-like vessels used for communion) from New Castle Presbyterian are part of the exhibition. In addition, *Masters in Our Midst* offers family-friendly interactive displays on important stories about Delaware Silver

Hours of Operation
Monday-Saturday: 9:00am-to 4:30pm
Sunday: 1:30pm-4:30pm

430 Federal Street ~ Dover, DE 19901 ~ 302-674-2111
www.biggsmuseum.org

The VESSEL Institute of New Castle Presbytery
Training Academy for Pastors and Laity

Save The Date!

Saturday, March 8, 2008

9:30am-12:00pm

CLERKS & CHURCH OFFICERS TRAINING
White Clay Creek Presbyterian Church



To register:

Email Nancy your
course selection:

ncpcpastor@
verizon.net

What you will learn:

Clerks

What to do and how to do it well!

Faculty: **Reid Beveridge**, Stated Clerk

Deacons

Serving God and others with creativity and purpose

Faculty: **Jackie Taylor**, Associate Executive Presbyter, NCP

Elders

Practical ways of growing in faith and service as a Presbyterian Elder

Faculty: **Rev. Bruce Gillette**, Limestone Presbyterian Church

Using Video on Your Website

This workshop covers the basics of shooting, capturing, editing, and uploading videos to use on your website. If you have a digital camera that takes movies, please bring it.

Faculty: **Rev. Tom Davis**, Hanover PC (Retired)

*VESSEL : Visioning Effective Stewardship,
Shepherding Emerging Leaders*

"...become a special vessel, dedicated and useful to God, ready for every good work..."

2 Timothy: 21-b, paraphrased

Letter to the Congregation

December 19, 2007

Dear Members of the Board,

I am giving the enclosed brooch to the church for a part of your historical collection. I hope it arrives before the end of your celebratory anniversary year.

My family (Phil and Marion Bailey and children) were members of the church in New Castle from about 1954- 1965/67. While we were there both Jim Smith and Ralph Johnson served as ministers.

This pin was purchased by my mother at a Christmas bazaar to be a present for me from my brother Tom-probably in 1958 or 1959. She told me it was made by Jonathan Smith-Jim Smith's son.

I was very pleased with the present and I wore it on special occasions.

Then in November 1960 my brother Tom died (his funeral was held at the church). We moved from our rural home south of New Castle on Rte.9, to a new suburban home in Northern New Castle County. Gradually we drifted away from the N.C. Presbyterian Church.

I have "drifted" the farthest. After teenage and young adult years in the Unitarian Church, I converted to Judaism in my early 30's. That led to a move to Israel which is where I live today as a practicing ultra orthodox Jewess.

All these years I couldn't part with this treasure of my past-not only because it was the last gift received from my brother-but because I actually treasured fond memories of my time in the quaint old meeting house.

Recently I was sorting through my possessions again and again I thought "What can I do with this pin?"-Suddenly it came to me that I should give it to the church-so here it is.

I looked at your website in order to get the address. I saw familiar names and would like for myself and my parents to be remembered to them (both are dead now-Mother 1999 & Dad 2005). The familiar names? Mr. Ballance (Rick was in S.S. with me)-Mr. Gebhart (funeral home?)-Judge Quillen & Mr. Quillen (auto dealership) and Carol Mayhew. Steve Handy also sounds familiar-but maybe from high school or the University of Delaware. Please enjoy my gift.

Formerly Ann Bailey (now Chana Kuzmacher)

March 2008



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 9:30am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 12:00pm-Fellowship 12:30pm-Youth	3	4 12:00pm-Noon Circle 6:00pm-Lenten Supper, Immanuel Episcopal	5 1:00pm-Bible Study 7:30pm-Choir	6 5:45pm-Mission and Outreach 6:45pm-Bells 7:00pm-Al-Anon 8:00pm-Bells	7	8 8:00am Tai Chi
9 Daylight Savings Starts 9:30am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 12:00pm-Fellowship	10 7:00pm-Deacons	11 1:00pm-Bible Study 6:00pm-Worship Committee 7:30pm-Choir	12 1:00pm-Bible Study 6:00pm-Worship Committee 7:30pm-Choir	13 6:45pm-Bells 7:00pm-Al-Anon 8:00pm-Bells	14	15 8:00am-Tai Chi
16 9:30am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 12:00pm-Fellowship 12:30pm-Youth	17 St. Patrick's Day Meals on Wheels 6:45pm-NCC English Dancers 7:30pm-Trustees	18 Meals on Wheels 7:00pm-Book Night	19 Meals on Wheels 1:00pm-Bible Study 7:30pm-Choir	20 Maunder Thursday Meals on Wheels 6:00pm-Supper & Worship 7:00pm-Al-Anon 8:00pm-Bells	21 Good Friday NO Meals on Wheels 12:00 Worship	22 8:00am-Tai Chi 10:00 EASTER FAIR!!!
23 Easter 6:30am- Worship @ Wharf 9:30am-Sun. School 11:00am-Worship 12:00pm-Fellowship	24 OFFICE CLOSED Newsletter Deadline	25	26 1:00pm-Bible Study 7:30pm-Choir	27 6:45pm-Bells 7:00pm-Al-Anon 8:00pm-Bells	28	29 8:00am-Tai Chi 9:30am- Presbytery@ Covenant
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**Address Change
Requested**

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Contact: The Rev. Nancy Rowland at:
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Next Newsletter Deadline is **March 24, 2008**.