

New Castle Presbyterian News

November 2010



New Castle Presbyterian Church Stewardship for the Year 2011

*“Well done, good and faithful servant;
enter the joy of your Master”*

--Matthew 25:21

God calls us to faithful stewardship.

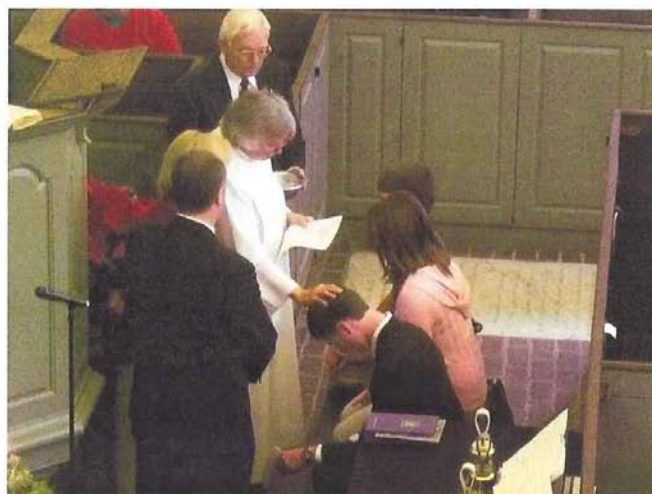
At New Castle Presbyterian Church that means:

- growing spiritually and in numbers
- living by and learning from the teachings of Jesus Christ
- high involvement in the life of our community and world
- welcoming all to worship God and follow God’s leading

God has given us many resources:

- Our historic buildings and properties
- Our members’ energy, gifts and abilities
- The steadfast love of our God in Jesus Christ
- Our sharing of our financial resources to God’s glory

This is our opportunity –
to use what we have for God’s work
and to be blessed in the giving.



2011 Narrative Budget

Worship \$81,562

Your pledge makes possible vibrant worship, faithful preaching, inspiring music, and the upkeep of a 303-year-old Meeting House. A gracious welcome is offered to visitors and members alike.

Mission \$61,341

Your pledge supports National and International Presbyterian missions; Per Capita contributions for supporting the wider church; and local ministries such as Emmanuel Dining Room, Friendship House, and Urban Promise. Contributions are also spent to train our members in hands-on mission.

Education \$38,216

Your pledge supports Bible study and its enactment for children, youth, and adults on Sundays and during the week. Your contributions make possible Vacation Bible School, Easter Fair, Youth Fellowship, family ministries, camps and conferences, curriculum materials and the coordination of the education program.

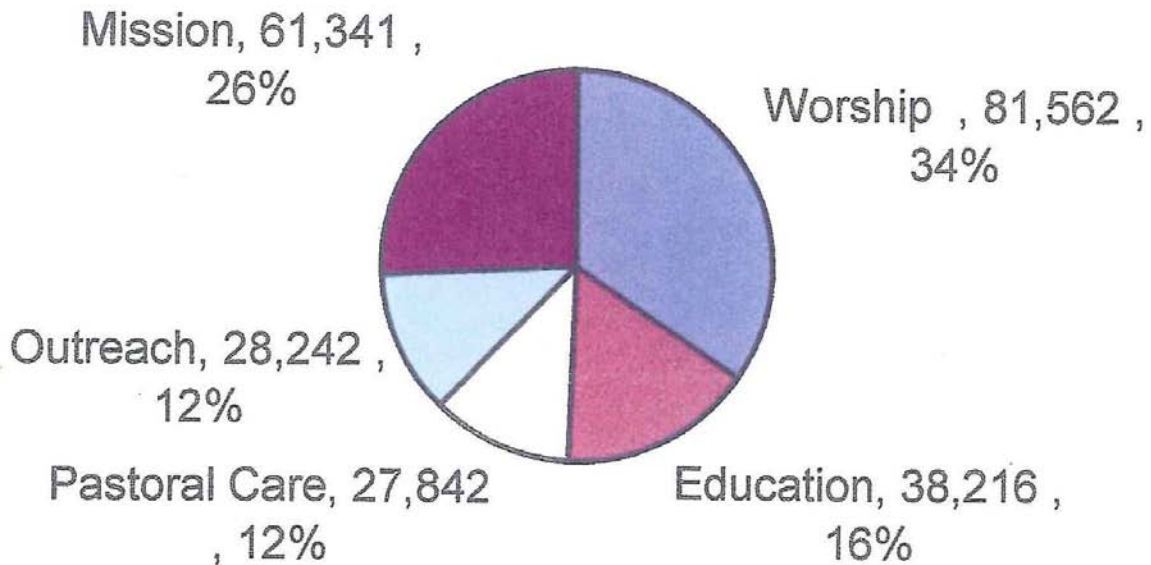
Pastoral Care \$27,842

Your pledge provides physical, emotional and spiritual support to the church family and wider community, with spiritual encouragement and the ministry of prayer. You make possible support groups and professional counsel referral. You support the care-giving ministries of our Deacons and the counseling and guidance of our Pastor.

Outreach \$28,242

Your pledge enables us to share good news with the wider community and potential members. You enable our publicity, website, membership materials, outreach events, and coordination of the ministries of evangelism. Because of you, we are sharing God's Good News!

Stewardship Budget for 2011



NEW CASTLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH						
2011 BUDGET COMPARED TO PRIOR YEARS						
	DRAFT BUDGET	CHANGE 2011 VS 2010		PROJECTED FOR 2010	PRIOR YEAR ACTUAL	
INCOME						
Sunday Collections	221,948	9,868		212,080	202,743	202,956
Other Income	1,575	568		1,007	817	1,845
Total Income	223,523	10,436	4.9%	213,087	203,560	204,801
EXPENSES						
Pastor Pay Package	72,237	1,341		70,896	68,850	67,792
Utilities	18,690	1,114		17,576	17,089	14,726
Repairs and Maintenance	17,062	53		17,009	15,685	15,098
Insurance	7,292	0		7,292	7,140	7,516
Major Repair Fund	10,000	0		10,000	10,000	10,000
Church Office	32,400	794		31,606	30,987	29,373
Chruch Programs	3,600	260		3,340	3,084	2,268
Christian Education	5,250	1,255		3,995	4,320	3,443
Worship/Music	34,471	1,380		33,091	31,315	31,638
Benevolences	2,790	453		2,337	2,218	2,637
Approved Mission	28,000	0		28,000	27,000	27,000
Per Capita	5,411	0		5,411	5,931	6,692
Total Expense	237,203	6,650	2.9%	230,553	223,619	218,183
NET DEFICIT	(13,680)	3,786		(17,466)	(20,059)	(13,382)
TRANSFERS FROM ENDOWMENT	13,680	(1,484)		15,164	12,317	18,450
NET INCOME (LOSS)	0	2,302		(2,302)	(7,742)	5,068

Stewardship Season

This year you will be visited by a fellow member of the congregation with a satchel containing your invitation to pledge your financial contribution for 2011. When the time comes, please receive that person warmly, pledge generously, and then pass the satchel on to the next designated member.

We shall dedicate our pledges on November 21. Presbytery Associate Executive Jackie Taylor will preach for us that day!



***Daylight Savings begins
Sunday, November 7 at 2:00 a.m.
Don't forget to "Fall Back"!***



The Mission and Outreach Committee would like to remind everyone that we will again be supporting the Seamen's Center "Christmas at Sea" program this December. As in the past years we hope to provide 30-40 plus "Ditty Boxes" which include various items such as shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, candy, etc. We were also able to include hand knitted scarves and hats as part of 1,300 "Ditty Boxes" given to the seamen arriving by ship during December. This is our opportunity as a church and as individuals to share our resources and our gratitude to those who work all year long to provide us with essential goods. This is a wonderful opportunity for our congregation to be part of the "bigger world" as we share our time and talents during the Christmas season. For those wishing to participate please see the poster in the Fellowship Hall. Items should be brought to Fellowship Hall **no later than Sunday, Nov. 7th**.

If anyone has questions about the program please contact Ellie Gerhart at 328-0908. We hope to repeat last year's generosity.



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 New Castle United Methodist Church, 510 Delaware Street on Tuesday, November 23rd at 7:30p.m. The preacher will be provided by St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

You are asked to bring an offering of canned goods for St. Peter's Food Pantry and a monetary offering for the poor of our area. Give thanks to God!



Thanksgiving Breakfast

We will gather together in the CE building for breakfast on Thanksgiving Day (November 25) at 8 a.m. The talented students of Hodgson Vo-Tech's culinary program will again prepare a delicious meal for us, and Pastor Nancy will lead a time of reflection and thanksgiving.

Please come and bring your loved ones to enjoy our annual Thanksgiving fellowship breakfast. ***You are particularly encouraged to invite a friend!*** Officers will be making reminder calls in early November. If you have not been called by November 19th, please add your name to the list to be posted in Fellowship Hall, or call the church office. We will need an accurate count in advance for this catered event.



Spirit of Christmas



Our 10th, YES, our 10th Spirit of Christmas is one month away. The theme is Music in the Air, highlighting all the beautiful music events of the day.

Continue to look for information telling you where you should bring donations and when, and very important, how you can volunteer on Spirit of Christmas Day. Our community now looks forward to this event. Let's make this 10th anniversary celebration a big one.

Please see articles below for special needs.

Carol Mayhew, Ellie Gerhart and Nanette Nichol

Spirit of Christmas – Donations



The “Look What \$20 Can Buy” is one of our most popular and revenue producing tables at Spirit of Christmas. Visitors actually do their Christmas gift buying here! But we need your wonderful donations to make it a fun place to shop!

Gift certificates for restaurants are very popular or new items worth \$30 or more. We also need donations of new (or like new) items from individuals that have a \$30 or more value. (Regifting is a great way to support our event!) Maybe you are tired of polishing those candlesticks and your kids certainly are not willing to do it either...just watch how fast they will sell!

Brochures of Friendship House are available in the church office for your use when soliciting a donation. Any questions or arrangements for the storage of items until December 11, call Joan Appleby at 328-4098 or Carol Mayhew at 328-5194.



Spirit of Christmas - Advertising



The Spirit of Christmas Committee would like to advertise outside of historic New Castle. This year is our Tenth Anniversary, and our theme is Music in the Air. Please contact Charlotte Mitchell-McDowell (whitelace1950@yahoo.com or 302-528-7387) if you can help distribute flyers at other locations, i.e., stores, hotels, businesses, etc. Thank you.



Spirit of Christmas – Used Books & CDs

Please save your good quality used books (hardcover and paperbacks), children's books, CDs and DVDs for the *Book Corner* sale during The Spirit of Christmas. Sorry, but we cannot accept magazines, condensed books, encyclopedias and books missing covers or pages.



WHITE GIFTS

WHITE GIFTS donations will be accepted beginning November 25 (Thanksgiving Breakfast).

WHITE GIFTS donation boxes will be located in the C.E. building's lobby. Drop your canned goods in the boxes so Linda Twyford and Susan Townsend can deliver them to the food bank.

WHITE GIFTS are our Christmas tradition of giving food.

- * All foods must be nonperishable.
- * Food items can include canned goods (proteins are good) tuna, peanut butter, etc.)
- * Dried foods like noodles, cereal, cake mixes, mac & cheese boxes, etc.
- * Juices, fruit or vegetable.
- * Just think of what *you* like to eat.

The New Castle Food Bank is housed at St. Peters Roman Catholic Church, New Castle.

The historic Men's Society of St. Vincent DePaul are organizing and administering this mission on behalf of our New Castle community.

We are joyful to be part of this mission to help provide nourishment to our neighbors



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 380 families and senior citizens will receive a week's worth of non-perishable food on Saturday, December 18. Each basket also will be accompanied by a 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 **Sat., Dec. 18**. 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



MEALS ON WHEELS

HELP! We need Meals on Wheels delivery people for 2010. Call Susan Flook at 328-7346 if you are interested. Substitutes needed, too. No week-end deliveries. Thanks. Consider this as your call in Christ!

Our next delivery will be November 8-12. If anyone is interested in delivering meals to shut-in Seniors in the New Castle area, please contact the office at 302-328-3279.

Monday 8

Shirley Knox

Tuesday 9

Lois Barth
Joan Smith

Wednesday 10

Dot & Jason
Campbell

Thursday 11

Cynthia Robbins
Nanette Nichol

Friday 12

Susan Flook
Ruth Moore



Monthly Report

Look here each month for a statistical report on the life of the congregation:

Membership:

September	178
Addition:	3
Loss	0
October	181

Income thru 10/7/10:

2010 Budgeted expectation:	\$180,875
2010 Actual:.....	\$163,607

Expenses thru 10/7/10:

2010 Budgeted:	\$177,956
2010 Actual:.....	\$172,402

November Birthdays and Anniversaries

Richard Appleby, 11/4
Thomas Truman, 11/5
Jean Swanson, 11/6
Dean MacEwen, 11/10
Brenda Walters, 11/14
Patricia Bird, 11/15
Mary Pratt, 11/16

Elsie Clark, 11/17
Laurie Tumulty, 11/18
Susan Flook, 11/20
Judy Hentkowski, 11/23
Catherine Turner, 11/23
Sarah Werkheiser, 11/24
Bob Briggs, 11/30



Deborah & Joseph Harrington, 11/27

New Members



We welcome to the fellowship of our congregation:

Andrew Lundgren* (Laura)

Allie, Julia
135 Montchan Dr.
Wilmington DE 19807-2125
302-654-3781
alungren@ycst.com

Ray Snyder
50 Bunker Hill Rd
New Castle, DE 19720-4221
302-328-1662
oilworks32@msn.com

Susan Jones & Ron Studd
724 Willings Way
New Castle, DE 19720-3952
302-753-4773
Ron: rstudd@mac.com
Susan: sky7481@gmail.com



Welcome Child of the Covenant!

Mark and Laurie Powell are the proud parents of Lily Anna, born October 4. See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; for that is what we are!

New Castle Presbyterian Church
25 E. 2nd Street
New Castle, DE 19720
Phone: (302) 328-3279
Fax: (302) 328-5670
E-Mail: ncpc1651@verizon.net
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

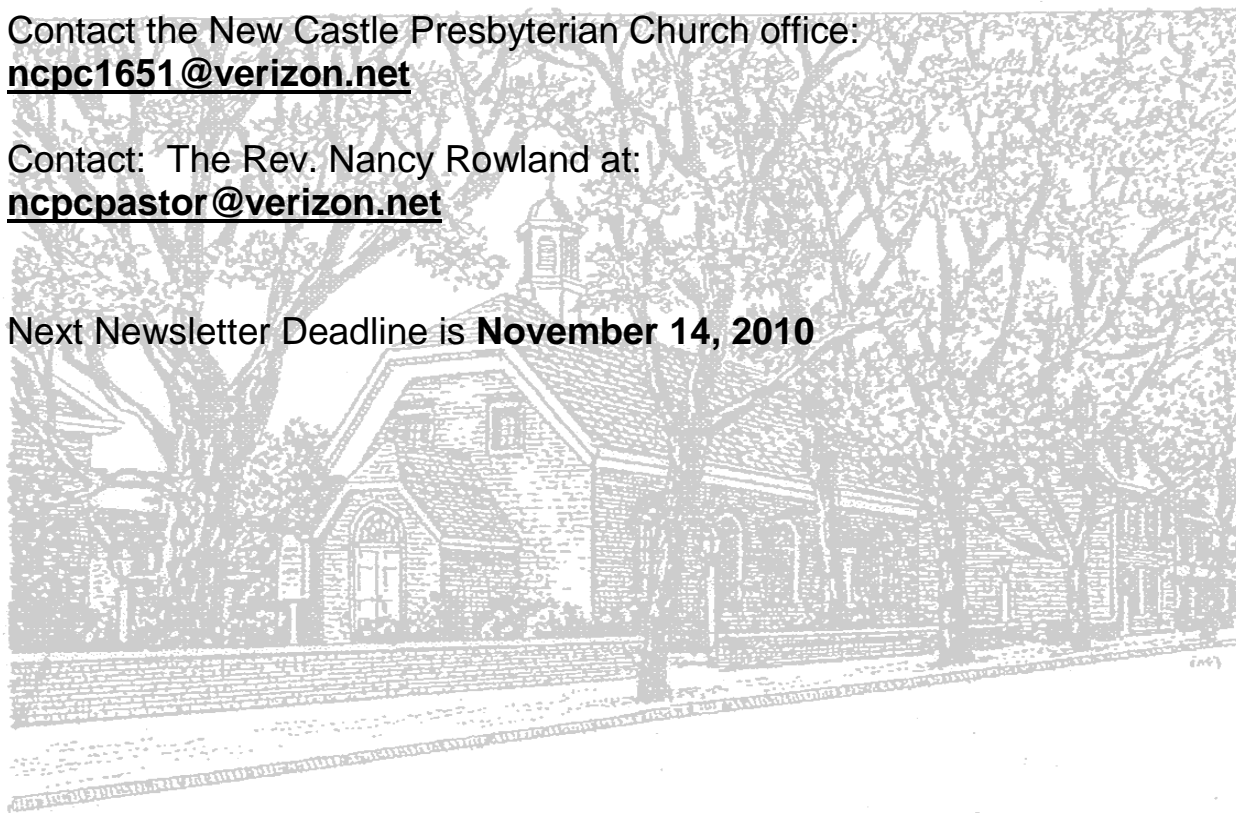
NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
NEW CASTLE, DELAWARE
Permit No. 623

Address Change
Requested

Contact the New Castle Presbyterian Church office:
ncpc1651@verizon.net

Contact: The Rev. Nancy Rowland at:
ncpcpastor@verizon.net

Next Newsletter Deadline is **November 14, 2010**



New Castle Presbyterian Church ~ Built 1707 ~ New Castle, Delaware