

New Castle Presbyterian News

January 2011



Spirit of Christmas Thank You!



The strains of music are still in the air from the 10th annual Spirit of Christmas! This congregation pulled together in harmony to produce a gracious welcome to our church and to New Castle. Some estimates say that up to 2000 people filled our streets, our homes, and our fellowship hall and Meeting House to enjoy the season, to listen to beautiful music, and to support the homeless.

Many thanks go to our hard-working chairs of the event: Carol Mayhew, Ellie Gerhart, and Nanette Nichol. Many thanks also to the chairs of the individual activities: crafts, books, soup & bread, Look What \$20 Will Buy, refreshments, publicity, signs, volunteers, programs, and more. Many thanks to our talented musicians. Many thanks to those who opened up their homes. Many thanks to you who contributed items for sale, baked bread, made soup, baked cookies, and served as clerks and hosts. You have spread the good news of Christ's accepting love and contributed to the sum of around \$10,000 that is being sent to Friendship House ministries for older men and for women and children who are now given a home because of your hard work and generosity.

We are also grateful for the tireless efforts of New Castle City employees and officials and to the leadership and members of the New Castle Visitor's Bureau.

This is a job well done! Our 11th Spirit of Christmas will be on December 10, 2011. We look forward to God's Spirit in our midst!



Souper Bowl

In conjunction with the Girl Scouts and the New Castle Senior Center, the Mission and Outreach committee will be sponsoring a "Souper" Bowl Drive during the month of January. Please bring cans of soup to the collection boxes in the CE building all month. **(Please be sure to check expiration dates)** Your donations will be taken to the Food Bank on February 6th, Super Bowl Sunday. Last year our congregation was very generous and we are happy to support our friends at the New Castle Senior Center and the Girl Scouts under the leadership of Nancy Ciufetelli with their efforts.



Ralph Johnson Cookie Bake

We were able to bag up 140 cookies and still had some cookies left over! All the cookies were delivered Saturday, December 18th to the Friendship House breakfast location at 8th and Shipley to be handed out the following morning. Any leftover cookies were put at the "welcome" centers in Wilmington that are open during the day. Thanks to everyone for their wonderful generosity and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from everyone at Friendship House. God bless us everyone!

Janet Spring

My Dear Friends in Christ,

It took a village of family, friends, and even strangers to provide safe shelter and restored health in my recent hospitalizations and displacement.

No task was too large or too small for those who came to my rescue. Thank you all for praying my way back to church and home.

My cup overflows with abundant joy! To God be all glory, honor, and praise in this holy season of hope and love. And to all my friends out there, thank you, and may God bless you and yours in all of the sacred places in your hearts.

*Affectionately
Linda Bennett*



Sympathy

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to:

- Rob Barry and Julie and his family upon the death of his father Stanley on December 16.
- Bill and Judy Hentkowski and his family upon the sudden death of his brother John on December 21.

Thanks be to God who gives us the victory in our Lord Jesus Christ!

**Christian Education Committee
Announces
Game Night!**



Friday, January 21st
6:00 - 8:00 pm

Families are invited to attend this evening of fun and fellowship as we play some favorite board games and enjoy some good food!

Please bring your favorite table, card or board game ~ plus an ice cream sundae topping to share.

The CE Committee will supply pizza and the ice cream!



Please RSVP by
Wednesday, January 19
by signing up in the
Christian Education Building



MEALS ON WHEELS

HELP! We need Meals on Wheels delivery people for 2011. 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 January 31-February 4. 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 31

Shirley Knox

Tuesday 1

Lois Barth
Joan Smith

Wednesday 2

Dot & Jason
Campbell

Thursday 3

Cynthia Robbins
Nanette Nichol

Friday 4

Susan Flook
Ruth Moore



Monthly Report

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

Membership:

November	182
Addition:	0
Loss by Death: Annabelle Witt	1
December	181

Income thru 12/6/10:

2010 Budgeted expectation:	\$212,371
2010 Actual:	\$207,472

Expenses thru 12/6/10:

2010 Budgeted:	\$213,498
2010 Actual:	\$212,602

January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Lynn MacEwen, 1/1
Tom McDowell, 1/1
Mark Stallard, 1/2
Rachel Briggs, 1/2
Kristin Stone, 1/6
Carol Quillen, 1/9
Linda Twyford, 1/10
Matthew Kim, 1/11
Irv Lipp, 1/15
Bill Quillen, 1/15
Daniel Dunson, 1/16
Arlene Bromwell, 1/17
Tina Lindfors, 1/17
Jim Whisman, 1/17
Herb Pratt, 1/19
Louise Thornton, 1/22
Mildred McGraw, 1/25
Charles Potter, 1/27
Julia Spock, 1/27



Jim & Barbara Whisman, 1/25
Bob & Janet Swick, 1/26

Sympathy

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Carl Witt and his family upon the death on November 28th of Annabelle Witt, dear wife, mother and grandmother, and longtime member of our congregation. Thanks be to God who gives us the victory in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank You

Carl Witt would like to thank the congregation for all their prayers and cards.

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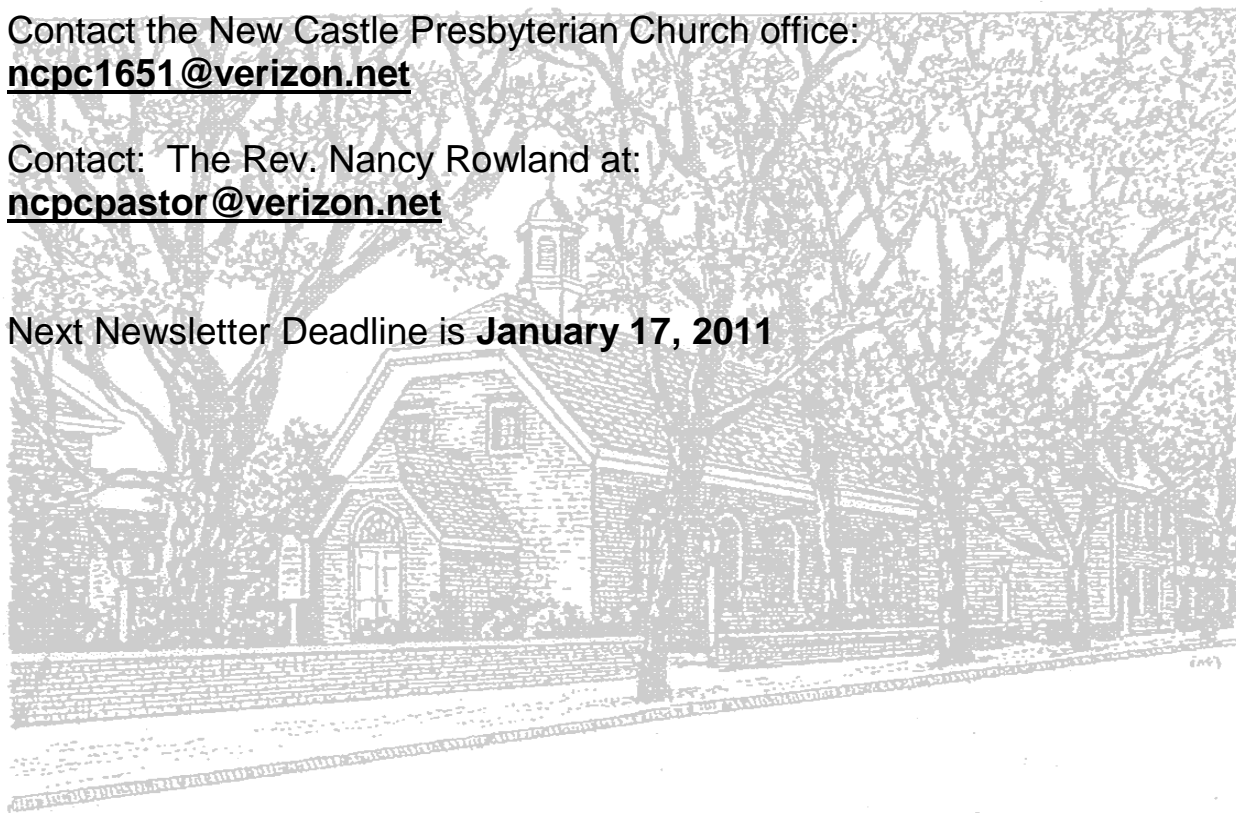
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Next Newsletter Deadline is **January 17, 2011**



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