

New Castle Presbyterian News

July 2011



Capital Campaign Update

Goal \$100,000

Amount pledged to date	\$70,000
Total number of church pledging units	99
Percent of pledging units pledging to date	30
Percent of pledging units who have not yet pledged	70
Percent of goal remaining	30

*above figures are close estimates

Our stated use of \$100,000 remains as follows:

\$40,000	repay what was borrowed to install air-conditioning in the sanctuary (first priority)
\$12,000	paint exterior of church
\$26,000	paint interior of church
\$30,000	replace AC units in CE building
\$15,000	fire safety in the CE building and church

Elected officers of the church express sincere appreciation to those who have made a pledge to the capital campaign. We encourage those who have not yet had an opportunity to make a pledge to do so in the coming weeks.

As God has so blessed the world, let us give back a portion of what has been given to us.

Pledge cards available in church office.



**NEW CASTLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

JULY 10-14, 2011

5:45-8:15 P.M.



Supper Included!

Classes for Children ages 4 to 10.

Bible Stories!

Crafts!

Games!

Music!

Worship!

Service Projects!



Vacation Bible School Registration Form

July 10-14, 2011

5:45-8:15pm

New Castle Presbyterian Church
\$5.00 per child / \$10.00 per family

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Last school grade completed: _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____

Mother: _____

Father: _____

Other: _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

Home church: _____

Name of friend your child might like to be with: _____



Mission and Outreach News **Urban Promise Dinner and Supplies**

Thank you to all who so generously contributed supplies for the Urban Promise camps. The items were delivered Monday, June 13, and were much appreciated.

We will be hosting a dinner for approximately 35 Urban Promise Team Leaders on **Sunday, July 31**. If you would like to prepare and donate a food item, please enter your name on the sign up sheet in the CE Building. Some ever popular choices are:

- Lasagna
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Fresh fruit
- Salads of all types
- Corn on the cob
- Chicken
- Pizza
- Subs
- Vegetarian dishes
- Desserts

Anyone wishing to attend the dinner or help with the serving or clean up is more than welcome. Just sign up in the CE 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 weekend deliveries. Thanks. Consider this as your call in Christ!

Our next delivery will be July 18-22. 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 18
Shirley Knox

Tuesday 19
Joan Smith

Wednesday 20
Carol & Gene
Mayhew

Thursday 21
Cynthia Robbins
Nanette Nichol

Friday 22
Susan Flook
Ruth Moore



Monthly Report

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

Membership:

May.....	180
(added by Profession of Faith)	+3
June.....	183

Income thru 6/5/11:

2011 Budget:	\$112,621.00
2011 Actual:.....	\$114,531.00

Expenses thru 6/5/11:

2011 Budget:	\$106,078.00
2011 Actual:.....	\$111,944.00

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

Marcia Quillen, 7/3
Susan Jones, 7/4
Jennifer Atherton, 7/7
George Spock, 7/8
Jim Stoudt, 7/10
Bess Coleman, 7/11
James Werkheiser, 7/13
Carl Witt, 7/15
Susan Werkheiser, 7/16
Jenna Duncan, 7/19
Grace Hayford, 7/19
Joseph Harrington, 7/21
Jeffrey Reed, 7/24
Susan Townsend, 7/25
Beverly Stoudt, 7/29
Andrew Lundgren, 7/30
Janet Spring, 7/31



Bev & Jim Stoudt, 7/12
Candace & Daniel Dunson, 7/14
Richard & Ginny Appleby, 7/18
Robert & Ruth Lindfors, 7/22

We Welcome New Members



We welcome to the fellowship of our congregation:

By Profession of Faith on June 5:

George Spock
1218 Heather Lane
Wilmington, DE 19803-3524
302-762-9537

Robert Truman
22 The Strand
New Castle, DE 19720
302-328-7634

Aaron Spock
1218 Heather Lane
Wilmington, DE 19803-3524
302-762-9537

By Reaffirmation of Faith on July 10:

Gail and C.J. Seitz
55 The Strand
New Castle, DE 19720
302-325-3359
gailmseitz@gmail.com

We are so glad that you are part of us in the Body of Christ in this place!

Newly Elected Officers

In addition to the report in last month's issue, the congregation of New Castle Presbyterian Church also elected on June 5, 2011:

Danika Dobson as Deacon: I was baptized as a baby in the New Castle Presbyterian Church and have spent the majority of my twenty-one years in New Castle. I grew up attending Sunday School and Vacation Bible School and in my later years began volunteering as a teacher for the Vacation Bible school as well as various events . I have served by volunteering with Meeting Ground as well as Friendship house. I graduated from Saint Elizabeth High School where I played soccer all four years and was a part of various school clubs. I then went on to attend and graduate this past May from Elizabethtown College where I majored in Psychology and minored in Human Services. I was a part of the intramural soccer, flag football, and basketball. I currently work for DuVilla and Company as a receptionist and will be looking for a full-time job in the Fall as well as applying to Graduate school in the Spring for my Masters in Social Work at West Chester University. I enjoy playing soccer, traveling and relaxing at the beach.

At a congregational meeting on July 17, the Nominating Committee will place in nomination:

Linda Twyford as Deacon: I joined NCPC after my marriage to Doug in 1977, transferring from a Methodist background to the Presbyterian arena. I discussed long hours about this pre-destination idea with the pastor at the time and joined the family at NCPC anyway. Choir gave me a chance to offer my voice among the other wonderful voices and gave me fellowship with George (bass), Doug (Bass), and Christine (soprano). Could've been called the "Twyford quartet". I slid into the alto row, but soon discovered I needed to change rows. After joining our church, I served on the Deacons as accountant. I've also volunteered for many of the activities in church: the Antiques Show (serving), the Candlelight Tour of New Castle (the predecessor of Spirit of Christmas) as hostess, and one term as Deacon. Now I'm happy to join in with this forward-moving church by continuing to serve on the Board of Deacons.

Be sure to attend the Congregational Meeting on July 17 after worship!!

New Castle Recreation Program



Again this summer, our fellowship hall will welcome the New Castle City Summer Recreation Program on rainy days. During the month of July and in early August, expect to see busy children engaging in fun and educational activities when the weather does not cooperate. We're glad to welcome these children and their leaders and support this important ministry!



Art Display

Stop by the church fellowship hall July 29 through 31 to see the amazing artistic talents of our member Rachel Briggs, who is a student at the Maryland Institute of Art in Baltimore. Last year's showing was a great delight and we look forward to her new work!

White Gifts

Hunger does not take a holiday!



WHITE GIFTS donations are always being accepted.

WHITE GIFTS donation boxes will be located in the Meeting House 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 ongoing 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.

Monetary donations are accepted at anytime. Use the white envelopes in the pew racks. The monetary fund provides utility assistance to those in need in our community.

Presbyteries of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) have approved a new Form of Government

Louisville—While the Office of the General Assembly awaits official tallies, it appears that a majority of the 173 presbyteries of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) have approved a new Form of Government.

At its meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2011, Trinity Presbytery became the 87th presbytery to approve an amendment that will replace the current 18-chapter Form of Government with a new version that is six chapters in length. The Form of Government is one section of the Book of Order, which is part of the PC(USA) Constitution. Along with the new Form of Government will be a new section of the Book of Order entitled “Principles of Presbyterian Polity,” which contains a large majority of the content of the first four chapters of the current Form of Government.

This is the first full revision of the Form of Government since the Presbyterian Church in the United States and the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America reunited to form the PC(USA). The current Form of Government had been amended over 300 times since reunion in 1983. The new Form of Government will take effect July 10, 2011, one year after the adjournment of last summer’s assembly. It is anticipated that the transition from the current to the new FOG will take time.

In response to the vote, denominational leaders issued a letter to all congregations of the PC(USA). In it, they write, “While the new Form of Government will help the PC(USA) to be a faithful and responsive church in the 21st century, it also has a dimension of bringing us back to a truly constitutional document that contains broad governing and theological principles and emphasizes function over structure.”

The letter continues, “Many Presbyterians will see nothing suddenly or dramatically different with a new Form of Government. Worship services will go on as usual, and congregations will continue to teach the faith, serve their communities, reach out to those in need, and work to further God’s realm on earth. However, what will be different is that congregations, presbyteries, and synods will have the opportunity to tailor mission and ministry to fit their own particular contexts and challenges.

The new FOG will also usher in changes in terminology. For example, ministers of the Word and Sacrament will be known as teaching elders, partnering in ministry with ruling elders who serve on the congregation’s council (session). It is a season of much change in the church, and change is often accompanied by anxiety. Making the transition from the current Form of Government to the new one will take time, patience, and grace. We will all be living gradually into these new dimensions of the church’s governance.”

Resources and guides about the new FOG, including “Frequently Asked Questions,” are available at <http://oga.pcusa.org/formofgovernment>. The Session of New Castle Presbyterian Church is already in the process of making changes to our own church manual to reflect this new era of Presbyterian polity.

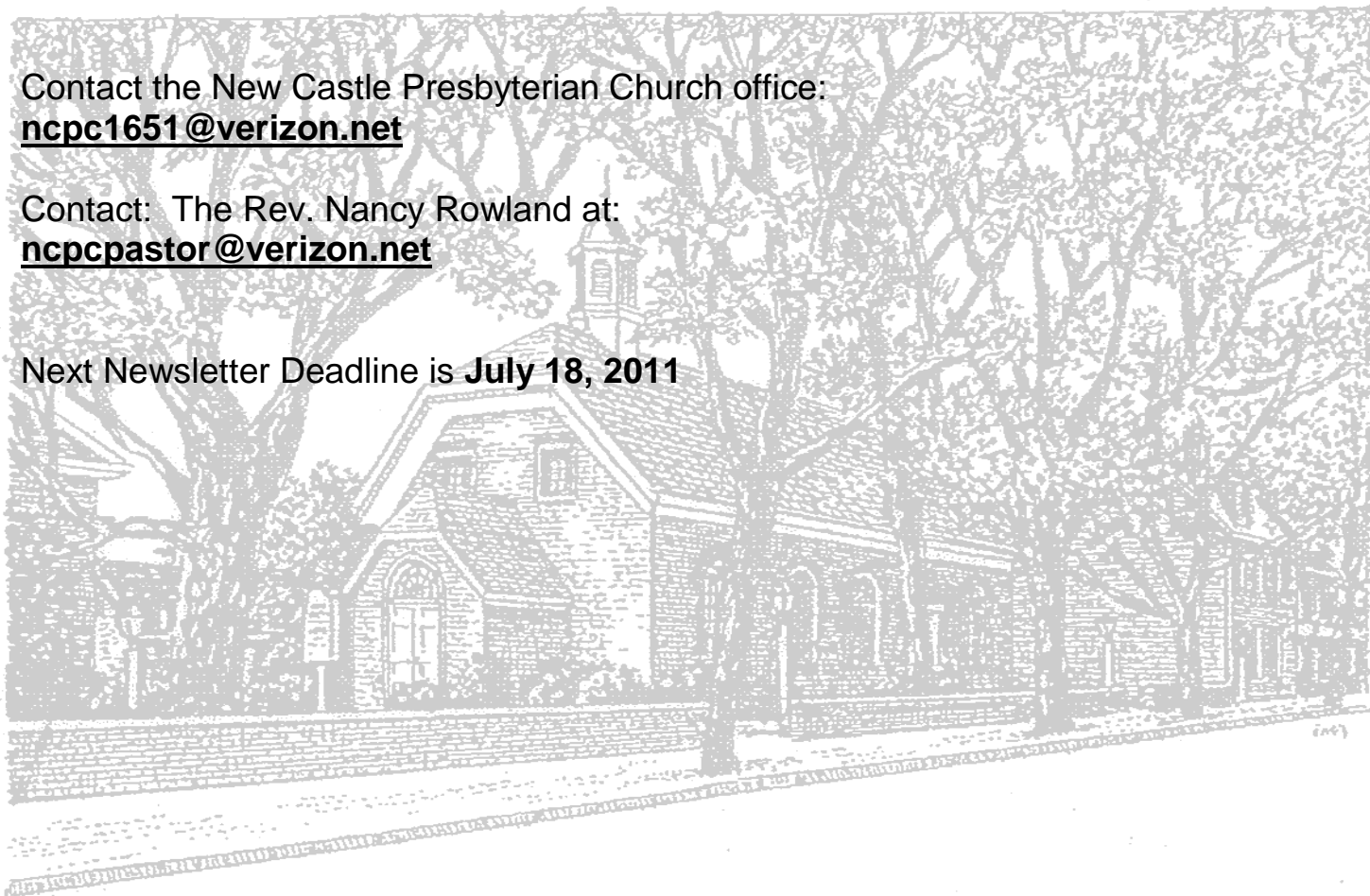
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Next Newsletter Deadline is **July 18, 2011**



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