

New Castle Presbyterian News

April 2012



Holy Week at New Castle Presbyterian

- Palm Sunday, 4/1** **10:45 a.m.** Gather at New Castle Town Hall (weather permitting) to process into our Meeting House with palms and hand bells. The One Great Hour of Sharing special offering for the world's suffering ones will be received.
- Maundy Thurs, 4/5** **6:00 p.m.** Maundy Thursday Supper, Worship, & Communion in the Fellowship Hall. The One Great Hour of Sharing will be received.
- Easter Fair, 4/7** **10:00 a.m.** - Come with children 4-10 to learn more of this holy season, make crafts, find eggs (11:00 am), and enjoy treats.
- Easter Sunday, 4/8** **6:30 a.m.** Sunrise Service at the Wharf
- 11:00 a.m.** Resurrection Worship in the Meeting House with hand bells and full choir. The One Great Hour of Sharing will be received.



Welcome New Member!

We welcomed Karyn Fry into the active membership of our congregation on March 25 by Reaffirmation of Faith. Karyn lives at:

2003 Point Hamlet St.

Newark, DE 19702

KMGargoyle@gmail.com

302-750-4325

Karyn is on the staff of Delaware Hospice. Welcome Karyn!

We Welcome the Newly Baptized

We welcome these new baptized members of our church:

Samuel Minjoon Kim

Son of Jennifer and Matthew Kim

Baptized March 11

Mason Cy Reilly

Son of Diana and Tony Reilly

Baptized March 18

Dylan Cy Reilly

Son of Diana and Tony Reilly

Baptized March 18

Welcome, dear children of the covenant!



Church Nursery



God is doing a new thing at New Castle Presbyterian Church! Because we have so many little ones, it is time to resurrect our church nursery. Our hope is that each parent will take a turn in providing care, and that other members who love the very young will also take part. Please consider serving as a Nursery volunteer! The curriculum for the session is simple and will be sent out to each volunteer. Someplace Else is moving to another room, but will be nearby in an emergency. Responsibilities are:

- Exit with the children after the Scripture Conversation
- Conduct brief gathering activities and Bible story (from curriculum for toddlers)
- Engage children in play
- Provide changing of diapers if needed
- Most of all, help create a positive, caring relationship with the children

When we have an idea of our volunteers, we will send out a rotation schedule. We hope to be up and running by April, so please respond back by March 22 and say you'll help!

Thank you for serving, and for fulfilling these baptismal promises!

"Demystifying Dementia: Creative Approaches to Care"

Wednesday, May 23, 2012 - 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Embassy Suites Hotel, Newark/Wilmington South
654 South College Avenue, Newark, DE 19713

**It is a one day FREE program being offered by:
DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health.**



Plan to attend a free conference on dementia. This conference will provide insight and creative approaches to caring for individuals with dementia-ideal for family caregivers, and anyone who lives with or cares for someone living with dementia.

Register by fax or email (name, address, phone, email:
DSAMH.training@state.de.us or fax 302.255.4450
Questions? email (above) or Call 302.255.9480

THE EASTER FAIR
IS COMING!!

Saturday, April 7
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
 - Cookie Bakers
 - Craft Volunteers
 - Game Leaders
 - Egg Hiders

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER TODAY IN THE CE BUILDING

WHAT IS THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING?



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The number of denominations currently participating in OGHS

1949

The year of the first One Great Hour appeal

Immediately following World War II, Protestant churches in the U.S. made appeals for the relief and reconstruction of areas devastated by the war, primarily Europe and Asia. In 1949, the leaders of several denominations formed a committee to organize an appeal to support their churches' separate campaigns.

A program called One Great Hour was broadcast on March 26, 1949, over major networks and many independent stations. The broadcast closed with a request that listeners attend their local church the following morning and make a sacrificial contribution. No exact measure of receipts was possible, but it was estimated that more than 75,000 churches participated.

The next year, the offering was repeated, using the name "One Great Hour of Sharing" for the first time. At times, One Great Hour of Sharing was coordinated with both the Roman Catholic Bishops' Fund Appeal for Overseas Aid and the Jewish Passover Appeal. Free time and space were donated to this joint appeal through the Advertising Council.

From the beginning, this has been an ecumenical effort. As denominations changed and merged, One Great Hour of Sharing has varied from eight to 29 participating communions. While each denomination allocates its gifts differently, all use their funds for ministries of disaster relief, refugee assistance and development aid. Today, projects supported by One Great Hour of Sharing are under way in more than 100 countries, including the United States and Canada. In recent years Presbyterians have given about \$10 million annually.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2010 One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Receipts

\$7,655,272

Expenses

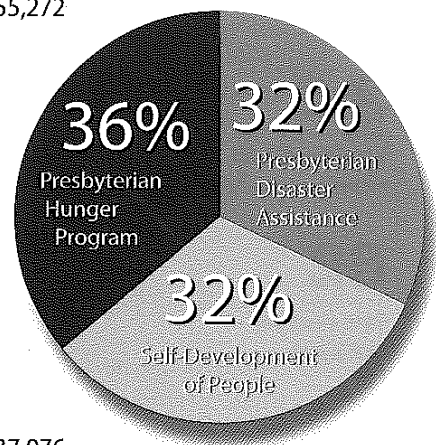
Fundraising (5.7 percent)	\$435,528
Shared Services charges	\$382,668

Total Expenditures (10.7 percent of receipts) \$818,196

Disbursements (after expenses)

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance	\$2,196,133
Presbyterian Hunger Program	\$2,455,426
Self-Development of People	\$2,185,517

Total One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Disbursements \$6,837,076



A detailed list of grants and disbursements by each program area will be online by March 2012.

April 15 5:00 pm
New Castle Seminar
Followed by a Pot-luck Supper

**“Brown v Board of Education in Delaware:
Memories of a Transitional Time”**

Special Guests: C.J. Seitz
Teel Petty

Moderator: Bill Quillen



C.J.’s father was the judge in this case. Teel will have helpful reflections about her experience of desegregation within the African-American community.

Sign up in the Fellowship Hall to come, and indicate what dish you hope to bring. Be sure to fix enough for the public who come!

Sunday, May 6 at 4:00 pm
The Delaware Women's Chorale
"Love Songs Through the Ages"
Potluck to follow



Welcome the month of May with a special concert by the Delaware Women's Chorale, under the direction of Joanne Ward. Joanne is a dear friend of our church who plays in our Celebration Ringers hand bell choir and donates her talents as part of our summer special music. She received a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education from Montclair University and a Master of Music in voice from West Chester University. She has been a soloist and lead performer with area churches, choral ensembles and theatrical companies. Mrs. Ward formerly served as the director of choral activities for the Pennsville School District in Pennsville, New Jersey where she maintained five choral ensembles. She was the founder and director of the Wilmington Youth Chorale and the Delaware Children's Chorus at the Music School of Delaware, retiring from that position in 2004. She currently serves as the Conductor and Music Director of the Delaware Women's Chorus as well as Director of Middle School Choral Music at The Episcopal Academy in Newtown Square, PA, while maintaining a large private voice studio in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

The Delaware Women's Chorus is a diverse group of women coming together for two hours once a week for the sole purpose of improving their own vocal technique and creating something beautiful. The repertoire, often honoring women composers, is as diverse as the singers who comprise the ensemble and is chosen not only for its appeal to the singers and their audience, but for its pedagogical value as well. The group gathers at The Music School of Delaware and performs four to five concerts a year at both the Music School and in the tri-state area.

The concert at 4:00 pm at our Meeting House will be followed by a pot-luck supper in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up by May 4 in the Fellowship Hall and indicate what dish you hope to bring! And again, bring a friend along!



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 not be till May 7-11. 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 7

Shirley Knox

Tuesday 8

Lois Barth
Joan Smith

Wednesday 9

Carol & Gene
Mayhew

Thursday 10

Cynthia Robbins
Nanette Nichol

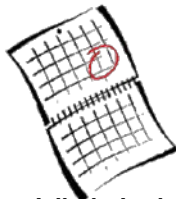
Friday 11

Susan Flook
Ruth Moore

Calling Odd Jobbers!

The Mission and Outreach Committee wants to help older folks with small jobs that they cannot do nor afford to have done. Or they'd also like to help if a church member is ill and needs help in the short term. The hope is to form a group, if there is enough interest, to do SMALL, odd jobs for members of the congregation or the New Castle area. No long-term or ongoing jobs will be scheduled (such as mowing someone's lawn on a regular schedule), but pressing one-time needs will be the focus.

There will be a meeting after church on April 15th in the CE building. Time will be at 12:15 for about a half hour. Please sign up if you are interested, especially if you have a trade background. Help us help others!



Save the Date

Family Day at the Viola's house at the shore (Avalon, NJ) will be June 2nd.

Family Night at the Blue Rocks ballpark will be Friday, June 29th at 7:05pm.



Monthly Report

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

Membership:

February	177
Addition by Reaffirmation of Faith, Karyn Fry	+1
March.....	178

Income thru 03/03/12:

2012 Budget:	\$65,434.00
2012 Actual:.....	\$71,013.00

Expenses thru 03/03/12:

2012 Budget:	\$45,803.00
2012 Actual:.....	\$44,189.00

White Gifts

Every season continues to bring people and their families hunger. Our White Gifts continue to help to put food on the tables of the needy. All of our food contributions are received by the St. Peter's food closet in New Castle.

There are boxes in the Meeting House and Christian Education Building which are waiting to receive your contributions.

Please purchase protein items like:

- Peanut butter
- Tuna fish
- Beef stew
- Canned meats of all kinds

Envelopes for monetary donations are also available in the pews.

Contact Susan Townsend at home 302-328-553 or cell 302-562-3647 for further information.

April Birthdays and Anniversaries

Kristel Witt, 4/1

Fran Gingher, 4/2

Jo Viola, 4/3

Barbara Kuczmariski, 4/5

Laurie Powell, 4/9

Sidney Wilson, 4/9

Linda Bennett, 4/13

Molly Fouracre, 4/13

Lisa Raker, 4/13

Joanne Hopkins, 4/16

Bill Anthony, 4/27

Scott Selheimer, 4/30

Julia Lundgren, 4/30



Jenna & Sam Duncan, 4/4

Pat & David Bird, 4/12

Rod & Bev Denison, 4/16

Vic & Elsie Clark, 4/17

Jennifer & Chad Atherton, 4/26



New to the Church Library

Check out the newest books in our church library:

The Mayo Clinic Guide to Alzheimer's Disease: the Essential Resource for Treatment, Coping and Caregiving

This book is an invaluable resource for understanding Alzheimer's disease, and gives practical advice about its symptoms and potential therapies. It provides an aid in preparing oneself or a loved one for the onset of the disease. It also has a superb section for caregivers. This book was purchased for congregational use by the Board of Deacons.

Revolutionary New Castle: the Struggle for Independence

By New Castle Presbyterian Church member Ted Corbett, this engaging book examines New Castle and its churches during the revolutionary and federal periods from the 1765 Stamp Act through the 1826 construction of Town Hall. This book was donated for congregational use by the author.

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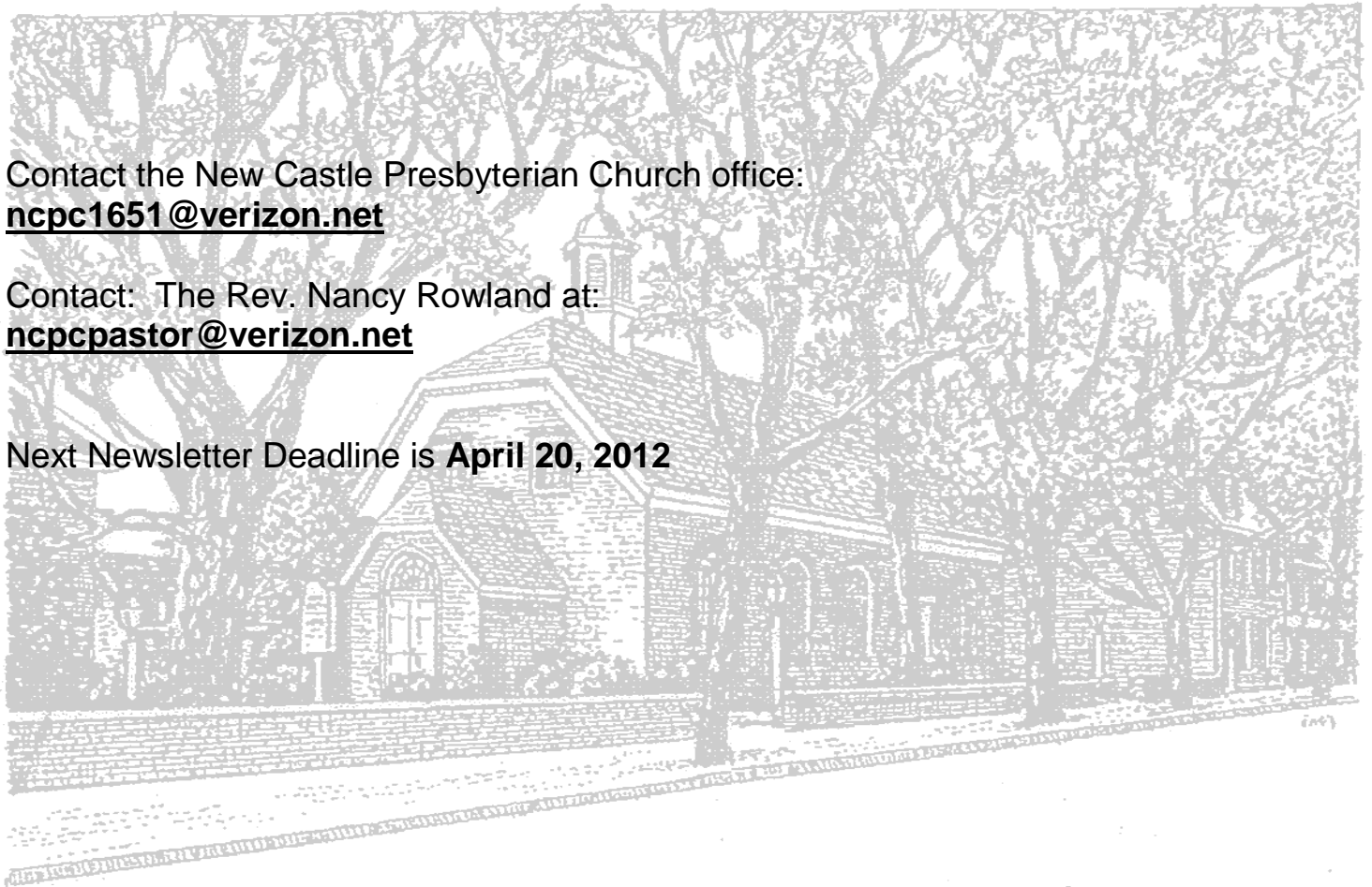


Address Change
Requested

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

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

Next Newsletter Deadline is **April 20, 2012**



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