

New Castle Presbyterian News

June 2012



Congregational Meeting



The congregation will hold their annual meeting on June 3, 2012 after worship. The nominating committee will present a slate of new officers to be elected (See inside this issue). Other business may also be presented.

Vacation Bible School Meeting

All volunteers for Vacation Bible School (July 8-12) will meet Sunday June 3 at 12:15 pm in Room 206 (Adult Lounge). Materials and ideas will be shared.



Church Picnic - June 10

Our annual Church Picnic will take place on June 10 immediately following the 10:00am worship service. Please join us to enjoy the food and fellowship!

Church officers will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and buns. Everyone else, please contribute a picnic salad, dessert, or side dish to share. There will be activities for children. Elders and Deacons will be calling for a count of who will attend, or you may sign up on the list in the C. E. building.

Hope to see you there!



We will switch to our summer schedule of Worship at 10:00am on Sunday, June 10th.



Graduates

May God richly bless all of our graduates as they move forward in their journeys. Thanks be to God for their hard work and many accomplishments!

High School

Daniel Barry, son of Rob and Julie Barry will graduate from Appoquinimink High School on June 13 and plans to attend University of Delaware to study Medical Technology. He will be honored in worship June 10.

Katie Martin, daughter of Cynthia Robbins and Steve Martin, will graduate from Wilmington Charter High School on June 2 and plans to attend Bryn Mawr College next year. She will be honored in worship June 3.

College/University

Megan Elizabeth Graham, who graduated from Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science on January 20, 2012. This degree is combined with her Bachelor Degree in Sociology she received from the University of Delaware in January 2011. Meg is currently working for the Bank of America.

Jim Donecker, grandson of Barb and the late Jim Quillen, graduated May 21 from the Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia with a Doctor of Medicine. He was commissioned on May 14 to service in the U.S. Navy with the rank of lieutenant.

Seminary

Tom Euston, who served our congregation as part of his field education program at Lancaster Theological Seminary, graduated from there with a M.Div. on May 20. He will be taking ordination exams in August, and completing a course in Clinical Pastoral Education at Christiana Hospital September 2012 through April 2013. He then expects to be approved to search for a call in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. During worship on June 27, Tom presented a certificate of appreciation for our congregation's support in his theological education.

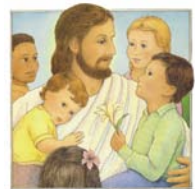


We Welcome the Newly Baptized

On April 22, we welcomed Dylan Gordon Neel as a newly baptized member of our church. Dylan is the infant son of Felicia and Jeffrey Neel and younger brother to Tyler. See what love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are!

Is God Calling You? Emmanuel Dining Room Volunteers Needed

Each month, a team of volunteers cooks a nutritious lunch to feed the hungry at Emmanuel Dining Room East. The meal is generally prepared on the seventh day of each month in the morning. Steve Martin and Cynthia Robbins are co-chairs of this project. But more volunteers are needed! Please say yes to this important ministry. Contact Cynthia, Steve, or Pastor Nancy or sign up in the Fellowship Hall.



Fulfill Your Promises!

When children are baptized, we all promise to guide and nurture them in Christ. Fulfill this promise by becoming a Someplace Else teaching assistant. You will serve 6 times a year after the Scripture Conversation in worship, helping children to know Christ and learn the stories of our faith. Sign up today or speak to Pastor Nancy!



Brownie Mixes Needed

Our church provides brownie dessert for our monthly participation in Emmanuel Dining Room. When you are shopping at the supermarket, please remember to purchase some brownie mix to donate to this mission. Deliver to the kitchen at any time. Thanks!

-Deacon Sarah McCann

Nominating Committee Report

The congregation of New Castle Presbyterian Church meets June 3 after worship for the purpose of electing officers and at-large members to the Nominating Committee. We will consider the following report from the Nominating Committee. Nominations will also be received from the floor. Other business will also be entertained.

SESSION

Class of 2014: Conchita Showell I was born, raised and educated in Philadelphia, PA. Upon graduation from Temple University I worked for 2 years for the Philadelphia Child Psychiatric Center; then left the field of human services to work for the IBM Corp. After 23 years in various staff and management positions in a variety of locations, I left IBM and began a management consultant practice working primarily in Washington, D.C. with federal government executives to better manage organizations through change and to achieve higher levels of performance.

After a very long absence from church membership, I joined the Heritage Fellowship United Church of Christ in Reston, VA where I served as a trustee. I also worked with a variety of community organizations including service as a volunteer for Suited for Change, a group that provided work-appropriate clothing and counseling for women entering or re-entering the work force. I also served on the Board of Directors for Reston Interfaith, an organization somewhat like Friendship House in providing temporary shelter, transitional housing and other services for the homeless.

In late 2004, I moved to Delaware. I live in Bear but spend a good deal of time in northern Wilmington with my mother who resides there in a skilled nursing facility. I joined the NCPC family in 2007 and have served as a Deacon and a member of the Mission and Outreach Committee and the Noon Circle. I am also a volunteer and board member with Read Aloud Delaware (a non-profit agency that supports and encourages literacy among all children, especially preschoolers).

Class of 2015: Rod Denison A member since November 1987, Rod is 69 years of age. He is a retired industrial accountant. He is married to Beverly Futrell Denison and has two children and four grandchildren. He enjoys spending time with family, and performing in stage productions and chorale groups, including the church choir.

Class of 2015: Gail Seitz, a native Delawarean, moved to New Castle nine years ago. She and her husband C.J. were always familiar with the City because of its rich history, and enjoyed walks in Battery Park.

Gail is the projects director for Congressman John Carney and she and C.J. have three children - the oldest daughter Danielle who lives in Durango Colorado and works for a non-profit land conservation organization, a middle son Brandon who is a real estate agent in Delaware, and a youngest daughter Meredith who just received her Masters Degree from the University of Delaware and starts work as the Political Director for the Delaware Democratic Party.

Gail was President of the New Castle Senior Center Board and spearheaded the fundraising campaign leading to expansion of the Center. She and C.J. joined the Church last year and are happy to be part of the New Castle Presbyterian Church community.

Class of 2015: Janet Spring has previously served six years as an elder. As an elder she has co-chaired the Mission and Outreach Committee. She has also served on the Board of Deacons, taught Sunday School and VBS, sings in the choir and is a member of the Bell Choir. Janet has been married to Bob Spring for 41 years and they have three children, one grandson and two dogs. She taught Kindergarten for 30 years and is now retired from teaching. When she is not at church or caring for her grandson Luca, she enjoys reading, needlework, gardening, painting and travelling.

Class of 2015: Bob Briggs is proud of the fact he was born and raised in Philadelphia and attended St. Paul's Presbyterian Church and Brandywine Summit Camp Meeting's in Wawa, Pa during the summer. He was in the insurance business since 1969 and retired in 2011 as a Senior Account Executive for Insurance and Financial Services in Wilmington after 23 years of service.

Bob has two Grandsons and a Granddaughter from his eldest daughter, who resides in Lewes. He also has a son who lives in Newark, and a daughter Rachel, a Junior at the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore. Bob lives with his wife Lyn in the Bull Hill section of New Castle and is very active within the city. A member of The Goodwill Fire Company for the past 20+ years, he currently serves as Treasurer and is an officer on the Delaware State Fire Police.

DEACONS

Class of 2013: Kaitlyn Raker has been a part of the New Castle Presbyterian Church since she was 2 years old, when she was baptized by Reverend David Joynt. She has been an active member since 2005. Kaitlyn has been active in both the Choir and the Colonial Chimers. She participates in the Easter Fair, Spirit of Christmas, One Shot Service Sunday, and Vacation Bible School. She has been a member of the youth group and has attended the Montreat Youth Conference numerous times. Kaity is a sophomore at University of Delaware, studying Art Conservation. Kaitlyn's parents Lisa and Bruce and her brother Chris are also part of our church family.

Class of 2014: Barbara Ransom/Kuczmariski has been a member of New Castle Presbyterian Church since 1957. She was married for 16 years to Joe Kuczmariski and is now a widow. Barb has three grown children and seven grandchildren. Early in her career, she worked for three years with the FBI in Washington, DC and Denver, CO. Later, she worked locally as a crossing guard, retiring after 30 years. At New Castle Presbyterian Church, she has previously served on the Board of Deacons from 1977 to 1980.

Class of 2015: Jenna Duncan is originally from West Chester, PA and moved to New Castle a few years ago. Her husband Sam grew up in New Castle and they are raising sons Luke and Finn here. She received her teaching degree from Lynchburg College in VA and has taught kindergarten, first and second grade. She is currently staying home with the boys right now. Jenna feels truly blessed to be a part of such a wonderful historic community and a caring and welcoming church family. She looks forward to serving as a Deacon and is honored that she was given the opportunity.

Class of 2015: Miranda Matthews was born in Methuen MA, then moved to Mont Vernon NH in the early 1980's. We attended Catholic church. The biggest thing that happened in childhood was the diagnosis of type 1 diabetes at age 8 which set me on the road to a spiritual crisis that lasted quite a few years. As a teenager, I became involved with the Unitarian Universalist youth group in the area. Through that, my horizons were opened to other religions.

I attended Bradford College graduating with a degree in communications. As a young adult, living in Santa FE, NM (after a short stint living in Park City, UT) I became an adult advisor to the youth group. That was lots of fun! I moved back home to NH and met Scott. I moved to Charlottesville, VA while he finished school. We then moved to Delaware.

Through my travels I have met many people but none as creative and giving as the people of this church. I feel truly blessed and am looking forward to serving the church in a new capacity.

Class of 2015: Bev Stoudt I have been a member of New Castle Presbyterian church a long time, beginning with Sunday School and officially joining when a teenager. I have worshiped, prayed, decorated, sung, and meditated in our sanctuary. I have served the congregation as a Sunday school teacher, Deacon, choral and bell choir member, Elder, and various positions with the Women's Association.

My husband, Jim, and I live in Newark and find the drive to New Castle relaxing and expansive, if not convenient. Three of our four grown children live out of state, while our daughter Cris and her family live within walking distance in our neighborhood. Both Jim and I are retired—Jim from General Motors and I from Engineered Systems and Designs where I did general office work. After graduating from UD I taught elementary school in Elsmere, DE for two years before starting a family.

My Christian faith began at home with Alice and David McCallion and was nurtured in Sunday schools in Ocean City, NJ (Methodist), Holloway Terrace (Baptist), and here in New Castle (first in the arsenal, then in our CE building). I have benefited from the loving labors of teachers and youth group advisors, and talented music directors, as well as, effective and brilliant pastors. Christ has been my constant companion through all stages of my life and I am totally at home among our committed congregation and in our Christian witness here in New Castle.

TRUSTEES

Class of 2015: Bruce Raker My wife, Lisa and I became members of NCPC in 1997 while David Joynt was the Minister. The prior year we had been recruited to sing in the church choir as additional singers by Eileen Dunham. Lisa and I enjoyed adding our voices to the group, and have continued to do so. During my first year as a member, Rev Joynt asked me to be a trustee. I served as a trustee for the seven years from 1998-2004. I served two terms on the session from 2006-2011, have been a member of the nominating committee and a current member of the worship committee. I am a member of choir, a founding member of a bell group, have served as the church's webmaster and have been active in VBS since 2003. Outside of church, I have been singing with the New Ark Chorale since 1982. I work for the University of Delaware in the MIS department as the IT Director of MIS and this December it will be 27 years of service. I grew up in Newark and have lived in Delaware all my life. When Lisa and I married in December of 1985, we moved to New Castle, where we lived for 18 years. In 2003, we moved back to Newark and now live in Arbour Park. Our daughter Kaitlyn, is 19 years old and finishing her freshmen year at UD and our son, Christopher is 12 finishing 6th grade at Shue-Medill. You can find me online at <http://udel.edu/~brucer/>

Class of 2015: C.J. Seitz C.J. is a native Delawarean who with his wife Gail became keenly interested in moving to the City when their children – Danielle, Brandon, and Meredith - went off to college. When they learned nine years ago that Lynn and Henry Herndon, a fellow attorney, were selling their house on The Strand, they moved to our community.

C.J., a founding partner of the Seitz Ross Aronstam & Moritz law firm in Wilmington, is best known for his work in the United States Supreme Court case New Jersey v. Delaware, where Delaware prevailed in its ownership claims to the Delaware River within the twelve mile circle. He also recently led a very engaging New Castle Seminar at our church on the part his father played in the court decisions leading up to Brown v. Board of Education, especially in Delaware.

He and Gail joined the Church in 2011 because of the welcoming congregation, our acceptance of the Presbyterian views of Christianity, and the thoughtful sermons and stewardship by its Pastor, Nancy Rowland.

Class of 2015: Sue Townsend moved from a farming community near Bryan, Ohio to New Castle in 1961. She joined the NCPC with her family and attended Sunday school and was a member of the youth group. She was employed as a Speech/Language Pathologist for 35 years in the Brandywine School District. As an adult, she taught Sunday school children and was a leader of a youth group from 1970 through 1978. Both her children - Shelly, who is 37 and Drew, who is 29 - were baptized by Ralph Johnson. She transferred to New Castle Methodist and became the leader of the Deaf Ministry, which focused on preschool and elementary Christian Education. About eleven years ago, she began attending New Castle Presbyterian Church with her mother Arline Olds and joined in December of 2005. She has rotated off the Board of Deacons after six years of service and is currently involved with the Mission and Outreach Committee.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
MEMBERS-AT-LARGE, 2012-13

Three persons will be nominated the day of the congregational meeting.

Kitchen Reorganizing - June 23 @ 10:30am



Spring cleaning of the whole kitchen is planned for Saturday, June 23rd at 10:30am. The cabinets will be emptied and reorganized. All who love order and cleanliness are invited to join Susan Townsend. Coffee, tea, and donuts will be provided.

Dear Friends,

My family wants to thank you for the years of friendship and caring you have given to our mom/gram/aunt. Mom's activities of service, dinners, knitting, Noon Day Circle, bell choir, coffee hours, youth mentoring programs, supper club, and other activities she enjoyed continued even after she became inactive and lived in Arbors. You were always there for her with cards, flowers, and visits. She loved each one of your kindnesses.

Through the many years a true extended family of New Castle Presbyterian family has become part of my life personally.

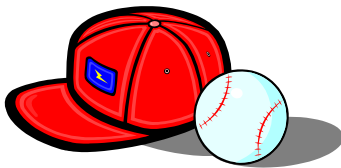
Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers for mom and your continuing love toward me. God Blesses us all.

Sincerely,
The Family of Arline,
Tom and Alison Olds
Clif and Karen Olds
Bryan Olds
Sean Olds
Susan Olds Townsend
Shelly (Campine) Townsend
Drew Townsend
Shirley Dean, niece

An Evening of Family Fun!

Wilmington Blue Rocks
Baseball Game!

Fireworks after the game!!



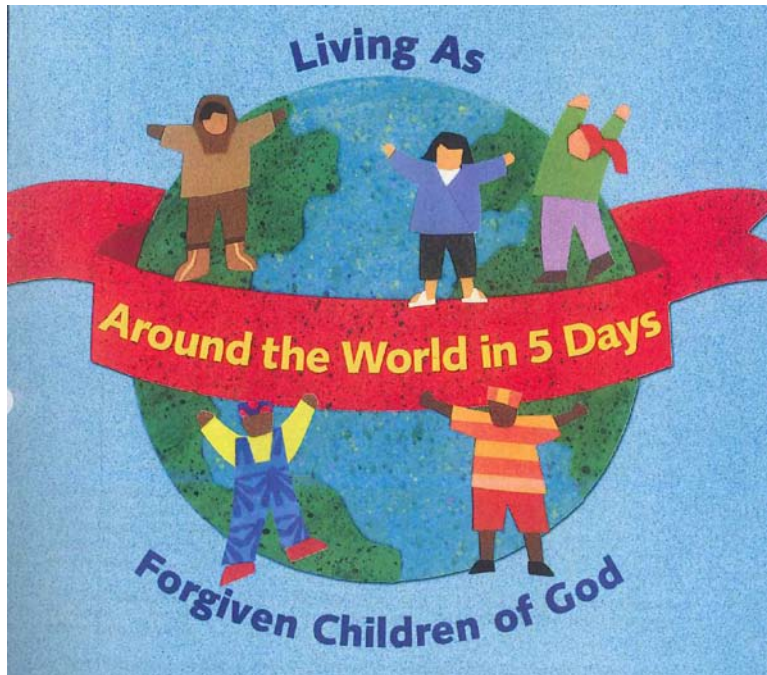
Friday, June 29th 7:05 game time

Name _____

Number of tickets needed _____

(tickets are \$10.00 each - cash or checks
made out to Amy Selheimer)

****Money due to Amy Selheimer by June 3rd****



**NEW CASTLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

JULY 8-12, 2011

5:45-8:15 P.M.

Supper Included!

Classes for Children ages 4 to 10.

Bible Stories!

Crafts!

Games!

Music!

Worship!

Service Projects!

Meals

(registration form on next page ☞)

Vacation Bible School Registration Form

July 8-12, 2012, 5:45-8:15 pm

New Castle Presbyterian Church

\$5.00 per child / \$10.00 per family

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: _____



Monthly Report

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

Membership:

April	178
May.....	178

Income thru 05/06/12:

2012 Budget:	\$102,354.00
2012 Actual:.....	\$108,662.00

Expenses thru 05/06/12:

2012 Budget:	\$91,371.00
2012 Actual:.....	\$90,123.00

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.



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 June 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

Lois Barth

Joan Smith

Wednesday 20

Carol & Gene

Mayhew

Thursday 21

Cynthia Robbins

Nanette Nichol

Friday 22

Susan Flook

Ruth Moore

June Birthdays and Anniversaries

Minerva Lermond, 6/6

Kyle Selheimer, 6/8

Douglas Twyford, 6/8

William Atherton, 6/9

Alex Lundgren, 6/9

Diana Reilly, 6/12

Molly Dunson, 6/13

Janet Reed, 6/16

Steve Handy, 6/19

Jason Campbell, 6/20

Danielle Knox, 6/21

Robert Lindfors, 6/22

Annie Sotomayor, 6/22

Kelly Chandler, 6/23

Jim Flook, 6/23

Gisele Vonrhein, 6/25

Christine Brooks-Corbett, 6/26

Ted Corbett, 6/26

Sarah McCann, 6/26

Corey Fagles, 6/28



Janet & Bob Spring, 6/5

Ted Corbett & Christine Brooks-Corbett, 6/13

Bob & Lyn Briggs, 6/16

Ellie & Monty Gerhart, 6/18

Lindy & Sandy Ballance, 6/19

Brenda & William Walters, 6/21

Julie & Rob Barry, 6/25

Kelly & Mark Chandler, 6/25

Marcia & Bill Quillen, 6/27

Susan & Jim Werkheiser, 6/28

Bruce & Kay Gordon, 6/30



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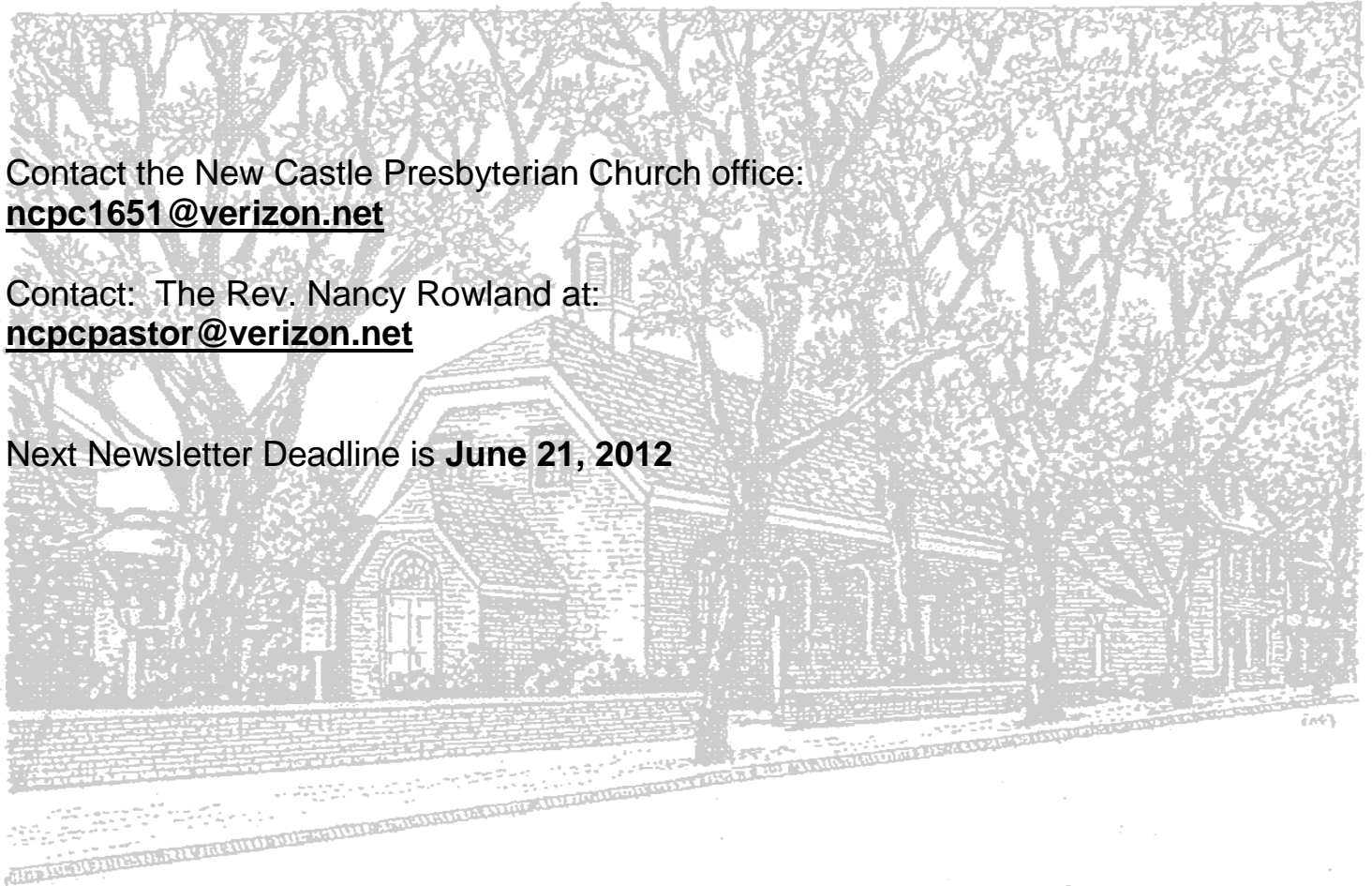


Address Change
Requested

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

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

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