

New Castle Presbyterian News

February 2014



Thank You from All Over

The ministries of New Castle Presbyterian Church have been a blessing to many in our community! We have recently received thank you letters from:

- The Islamic Society of Delaware for our donation and good wishes in response to recent vandalism of their property.
- The Newark Area Welfare Committee for our donations of turkeys.
- Seamen's Center of Wilmington for donations of ditty boxes and clothing.
- Friendship House homeless ministries for \$9,200 in proceeds from our Spirit of Christmas.
- Child, Inc for \$90, which is the local portion of our October 6 Peacemaking Offering.
- The Presbyterian Mission Agency for our \$180 Peacemaking Offering.
- NCPC Staff members for the generous Christmas gifts from the congregation.

Thank you for your time and energy and financial contributions. You are a blessing to many!

New Castle Presbytery Leadership Development Unit
Invites You to

A Training Event for Church Leaders

Sunday, February 9, 2014, 2:00 pm to 5:15 pm

This Presbytery-wide training event will be held at:

Elkton Presbyterian Church
209 East Main Street, Elkton, Maryland

1:30 pm Refreshments, Fellowship and Registration
(THIS EVENT IS FREE!)

2:00 pm Worship with Some Wonderful New Hymns
(and Some Old Favorites)
from Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal

Keynote Talk:

"Being the Church" by Rick Ufford-Chase
Ruling Elder - Moderator of 216th PCUSA

General Assembly

Stony Point Conference Center Co-Director
Presbyterian Peace Fellowship Director

3:00 pm Workshops Designed for New Church Officers and
Experienced Leaders

- Elder 101 and Deacon 101
- Spiritual Practices for Church Leaders with Emily Schwenker
- Presbyterian Marriage Study Paper and Practical Ideas for Helping Support Marriages
- New Ways for Groups to Make Plans That Work

4:10-5:10 pm Workshops Organized according to the Work of Officers

- Christian Education
- Evangelism
- Missions
- Property
- Personnel
- Stewardship
- Ministry with the Poor, Hungry, and Homeless
- Ministry with the Sick in Hospitals and Homes

Christian Education Committee

**Announces
Game Night!**

Includes Dinner!
Friday, February 21st
6:00 - 8:00 pm

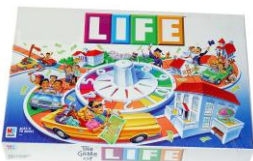
Families and individuals are invited to attend this evening of fun and fellowship as we play some favorite board games and enjoy some good food!

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, February 19
by signing up in the
Christian Education Building





From the Deacon's Bench



The church office often gets requests for items needed by families in distress. The summer brings need of working fans or window air conditioners. Fully functioning space heaters are requested in the colder seasons. Refrigerators, hot plates, and linens could be requested at other times.

If you have any of these items and would like to have them go to help fill a need, please contact the church office or any Deacon to arrange for pick up. Storage in our CE building is very limited. We cannot store much "stuff" on our premises. However, the Deacons would like to maintain a list of available items and who to contact as we are made aware of needs.

As you cycle through your household items, please keep the Deacons' mission in mind. Let us know if you are willing to part with a crib, a lamp, or a vacuum, etc.



February Birthdays and Anniversaries

Dot Campbell, 2/1
Nanette Nichol, 2/1
Gary Graham, 2/5
Beverly Denison, 2/11
Dana Monzo, 2/14

Phyllis Stallard, 2/20
Eileen Dunham, 2/21
Cynthia Robbins, 2/25
Zarina Stone, 2/25
Joan Smith, 2/27

Ray & Lynn Snyder, 2/7
Amy & Scott Selheimer, 2/14
Judy & Bill Hentkowski, 2/15
Kathryn & Charles Potter, 2/17
Joan & Bob Appleby, 2/23



Report to the Congregation on the Capitol Campaign

Three years ago we embarked on a campaign to raise \$ 100,000.00 to be used toward major church maintenance projects. We have successfully raised the money that we projected thanks to the wonderful generosity of the congregation. In the last three years we have been able to accomplish the following goals for the major maintenance needs of the church property with special expenditures totaling \$102,726.00. We have also been able to replace the sound systems in both the Sanctuary and the CE Building and to replace our outdated phone system (including changing our provider from Verizon to Comcast) using our regularly budgeted Major Capital Improvement line.

Paid off the loan to ourselves for the air conditioning system in the Sanctuary	\$42,852
Painted the exterior of the CE Building	\$12,939
Painted the exterior of the Sanctuary	\$12,593
Painted the interior of the Sanctuary	\$26,343
Replaced the fire alarm system in the CE Building	\$7,999

Thanks again to all who contributed to the three year Capitol Campaign. The funds raised have been a major factor in maintaining and protecting our historic properties for future generations.

From the Board of Trustees

Sympathy



The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mary Pratt and all the friends and family of Herb Pratt, who died January 23. Services will be held when the weather improves.

The sympathy of the congregation is also extended to Eileen, Jennifer, and Christopher Dunham upon the death of Eileen's father Richard Mathieson on January 11.

The sympathy of the congregation is also extended to Conchita Showell upon the death of her mother Arnita on January 27.

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

Congratulations

Congratulations to George Spock, who attained the level of Eagle Scout on January 26. He was honored at a ceremony at our church. He is the son of George and Julia Spock and brother of Aaron Spock. The ceremony included a recognition of George's accomplishment by the Marine Corps League, presented by Ray Snyder.



Meals on Wheels

HELP! We need Meals on Wheels delivery people for 2014. 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 February 24-28. 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 24

Shirley Knox

Tuesday 25

Lois Barth
Joan Smith

Wednesday 26

Carol & Gene
Mayhew

Thursday 27

Cynthia Robbins
Nanette Nichol

Friday 28

Susan & Jim
Flook



Monthly Report

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

Membership:

December	181
Loss by death, Herb Pratt.....	-1
January	180

Income thru 01/12/14:

2014 Budget:	\$255,599.00
2014 Actual:.....	\$246,027.00

Expenses thru 01/12/14:

2014 Budget:	\$255,599.00
2014 Actual:.....	\$251,679.00

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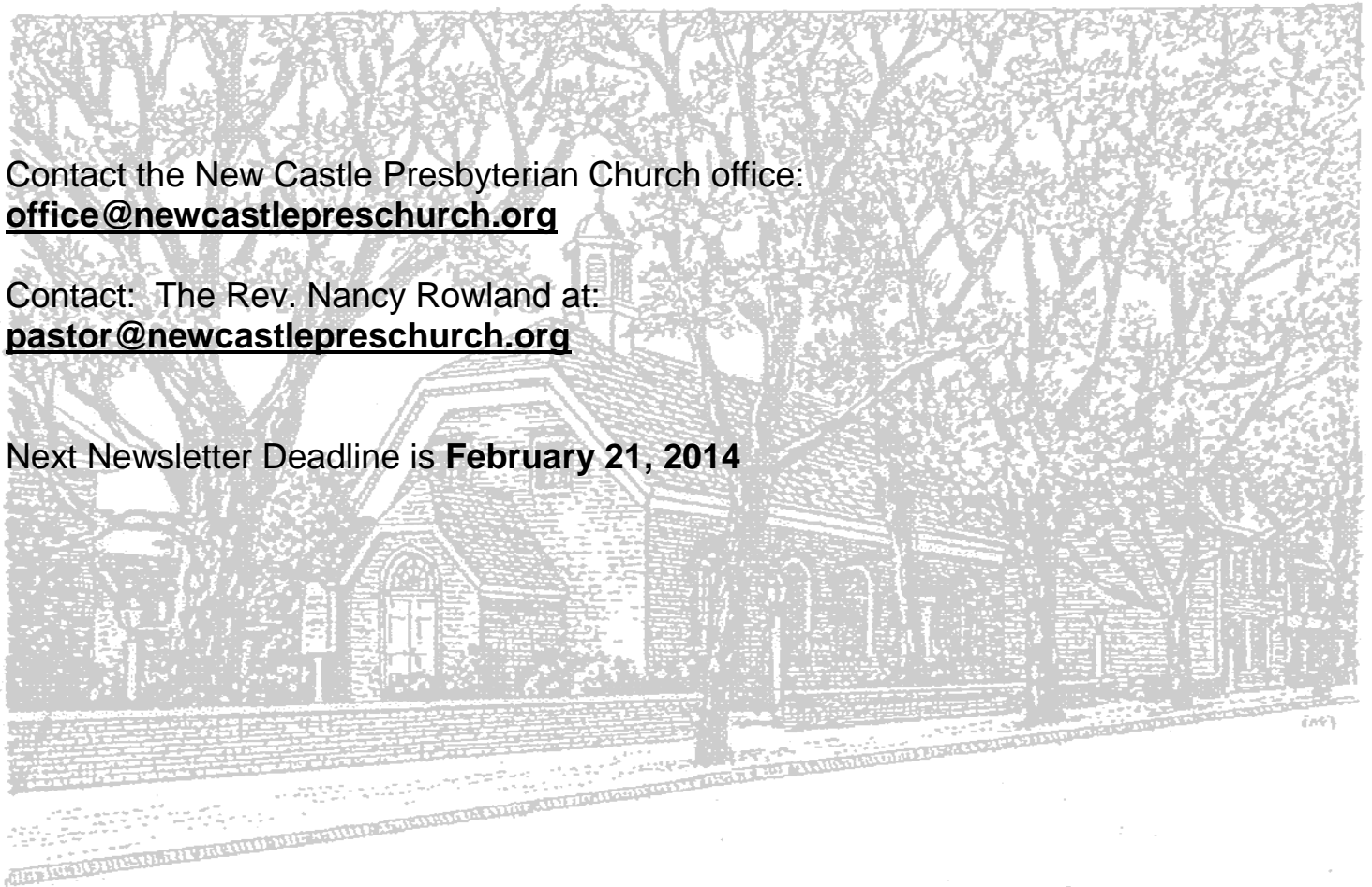


Address Change
Requested

Contact the New Castle Presbyterian Church office:
office@newcastlepreschurch.org

Contact: The Rev. Nancy Rowland at:
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Next Newsletter Deadline is **February 21, 2014**



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