



Christ's Love

Welcome New Friends! We are glad we can worship God together this morning. As we can be helpful, we look forward to doing so, When you are ready to make Centenary your new church home, please speak with either of our ministers or indicate your desire on the pew registration pad.

Centenary's 11:00 worship service is broadcast each Sunday on radio station WNBB, 97.9 FM. Please worship with us on the radio.

**Join us for Wednesday Worship
Wednesday-12:00 PM—Chapel**



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Centenary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



**Corner of Middle & New Streets
New Bern, North Carolina**

**February 24, 2019
11:00 a.m.**

The Seventh Sunday After The Epiphany

GATHERING OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

There Is A Balm In Gilead
Carillon Choir

*Introit

Come, Christians, Join To Sing

*Greeting

Trust in the Lord and do good.

May the Lord give strength to the people!

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

God is our refuge and strength.

*Hymn # 553

And Are We Yet Alive

*Opening Prayer

God our Father and Mother, we come to you as your children. Be with us as we learn to see one another with new eyes, hear one another with new hearts, and treat one another in a new way. Amen.

The Children's Time

(Children in Kindergarten-3rd grade will leave for Children's Church.)

PROCLAIMING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds to the power of the scriptures; silence in us any voice but your own, and grant us grace to embrace and to do what you say to us today; through Jesus Christ your Living Word we pray. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

*The Gloria Patri # 71

*The Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

Sermon

Surprise, Surprise, Surprise

The Rev. Susan Pate Greenwood

*Hymn # 560

Help Us Accept Each Other

*Affirmation of Faith # 881

Backpack Blessings will have their final weekend packing event for this school year on Thursday, February 28 from 6:00 PM til 8:00 PM, Friday, March 1 from 6:00 PM til 8:00 PM, and Saturday, March 2 from 9:00 AM til 11:00 AM at Garber UMC in Morris Hall. Everyone is welcome to come and show support for Oaks Road Academy. You may pick the day and time that works for you. Please call Susan Sawyer at 252-671-3154 if you have any questions.

Trip to the Israel and the Holy Land and a presentation of the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany in 2020. Dr. Bob Whitley is leading a trip to visit the Holy Land in Israel and also to attend a presentation of the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany in August of 2020. The Passion Play has been presented once every 10 years by the residents of Oberammergau since 1634. This once in a lifetime trip is being organized through Educational Opportunities Tours, (www.eo.travel) a prominent Christian tour company. The Methodist Conference sponsored a trip to the Holy Land in back in 2011 with E.O. Travels. An informational presentation will be held Wednesday, March 6, after the First Wednesday Community Meal. Anyone interested in this exciting experience is encouraged to attend. There is no obligation to go on the trip by attending the presentation. If there are any questions prior to the presentation, please call Dr. Bob Whitley at 633-1560, email him at toothdoc@suddenlink.net or go to the EO website for information.

New Bern CROP Hunger Walk-Sunday, March 10th. Registration at Union Point Park @ 2:00 PM. Walk begins at 3:00 PM. 50% of the money collected will go to RCS to assist with hunger & hurricane recovery.

Stephen Ministers are positioned at the altar area after services to speak to those who desire prayer and also to recruit new trainees for the 2020 class. If you desire to speak to one of us about your concerns, the Stephen minister will be prepared to listen, in a discrete area if warranted. If you have a heart for this ministry, or would like to know more, please speak to the Stephen Minister at the altar after service. There is a need for more Stephen Ministers. Applications will be made available.

Free Income Tax Return Preparation is being offered by the IRS sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program in Craven, Pamlico & Jones Counties. This free tax service is being offered for low to moderate income & elderly taxpayers at the Harrison Community Center, 311 Middle Street, New Bern on Mondays & Tuesdays, February 4 thru April 16 & Thursday, March 7. (Not open March 5). The hours are 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM & by appointment. Free income tax returns will be prepared by IRS certified volunteers. For more information call 252-772-5245 or email: NewBernVITA@gmail.com

There will be a District Gathering following the called General Conference on March 3 at 3:00 PM here at Centenary UMC. The gathering will last no more than 1 hour & anyone is welcome to attend. Members of the NC Conference delegation will be at the gathering to review what happened at General Conference & discuss the impact on the NC Conference.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Pack 13 Cub Master Scott Bertling and Troop 13 Scout Master Tim Mitchell by Larry & Treacy Cumbo.

We share our love and sympathy with Elaine White and her family on the death of her husband, Billy White, on February 17. We also share our love with Billy's daughters, Kathy Mitchell and Martha Summers, his grandchildren, Katherine Muse, Emily Drake, Hannah Krueger, Isaac Krueger, and his great-grandchildren, Kendall Muse, Dylan Muse, and Lainey Drake.

We share our love and sympathy with Mary Coble and her family on the death of her father, George Bullock, on February 19.

We share our love and sympathy with Brad Ferreira and his family on the death of his mother, Revonda Ferreira, on February 20.

GriefShare "Winter/Spring Sessions" will run every Monday, 10:00 AM until noon in Room 206, from January 28th to April 22nd. You can join us at any time. GriefShare is a support group for people who have lost a loved one: spouse, family member, relative or friend. It is open to Centenary members and our community.... ALL ARE WELCOME!! If you know of someone who is hurting, please invite them. For more information, please contact Pam or Ron Bonina at 252-497-8489 or dadboni@outlook.com.

ZOE Update! Thanks to your generosity, the "Gifts That Help Children" December Alternative Giving Campaign receipted \$2135 towards our \$80000 commitment to support Centenary's Twizerane, "Confidence", Muhambo, Rwanda Working Group. Thank you to all who contribute monetarily and hold the children in prayer! Also, visit the church's website to see the latest update on the group of 31 families with 103 total children! If you have any questions or want to be more involved in ZOE, please contact Patti Peebles, ppeebles 2393@gmail.com or 252-571-2421!

Empty Bowls-Thursday, February 28-11:00 AM until 1:30 PM-Temple Baptist Church-Tickets are on sale now! Purchase a ticket to the Empty Bowls event for \$25 (\$30 at the door). At the event you will select two bowls of soup prepared by participating area restaurants and churches, along with crackers and drink. You will be able to pick out a pottery bowl, handmade by a local potter, to take home! Tickets are limited and are available now at the Bank of the Arts, Fuller's Music, Mitchell's Hardware & Temple Baptist Church. Proceeds go to support the Arts and to feed the hungry.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday, March 1st is "World Day of Prayer" for 2019. Centenary United Methodist Women encourage you to spend time that day in prayer. We also are encouraging people to come to the Chapel to pray at the Altar. We still have a few open time slots: 9:00 - 9:30 AM, 9:30 to 10:00 AM, Noon to 12:30 PM and 1:30 to 2:00 PM. If you feel led to come to the Chapel and pray at one of those times, please call Jean Stoll at (252) 631-3078 or email to stolljean45@gmail.com. There certainly are many people and things to pray for. The Centenary Prayer List is a great place to start. Many other choices, such as family, friends, our Church, our Nation, Our World and it's leaders, the afflicted, the persecuted, the unchurched..... The list goes on and on. Thank you, in advance, for your prayers. Thanks and God Bless, The Women of Centenary UMW

THANKSGIVING

+Intercessory Requests and Thanksgivings

+Call to Prayer *Lead Me, Lord*

+Prayers of the People

+The Lord's Prayer

The Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

The Offering

The Offertory *You Shall Love The Lord Your God*
Sanctuary Choir

Lupinski

*Presentation of the Offerings with the Doxology # 94

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

All things come from you, O Lord, and now we return to you what is yours. So follow this offering with your blessing that it may promote peace and compassion wherever it goes, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn # 534

Be Still My Soul

*Benediction

Serve your God with patience and passion. Be deliberate in enacting your faith. Be steadfast in celebrating the Spirit's power. And may peace be your way in the world. **Amen.**

*Sending Forth

Now May The God Of Peace

*Chiming of the Trinity

*Postlude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Hamlin

TODAY'S HELPERS

Altar Guild: Deb Barrett, Teresa Risty, Sandy Moser, Ann Fulcher, Maryanne Brinson
 Acolytes: Grant Leary, Sydney Kleinwolterink
 Greeters: Sandy Armstrong, Tom McClay
 Ushers: Ed Guirkins Sunday School Class
 Lay Reader: Andy Acasio

Sunday

8:30 AM Worship-Chapel
 8:50 AM Xperience Worship-Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship-Sanctuary
 4:00 PM Called Church Council meeting
 5:00 PM Middle School Youth
 6:00 PM CentYouth dinner
 6:00 PM Brices Creek Ephesians Study
 6:30 PM High School Youth

Monday

10:00 AM GriefShare
 10:30 AM Ephesians Bible Study
 5:30 PM Trustees
 6:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 13
 6:30 PM Stephen Ministers
 7:00 PM New Bern Civic Strings

Tuesday

9:30 AM Voice of God study
 5:30 PM Missions Committee
 6:30 PM Carillon Choir
 7:00 PM NAMI Support Group

Wednesday

6:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast-
 Country Biscuit
 12:00 PM Wednesday Worship
 4:30 PM Children's Choir
 5:30 PM Facilitator's meeting
 5:45 PM Ephesians Study
 6:00 PM Chapel Choir
 6:00 PM Praise Team
 7:00 PM Troop 13
 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir

Thursday

7:00 PM Downtown Ephesians Study

Friday

Saturday

Prayer Concerns

Centenary Family

Peggy Armstrong
 Sandy Armstrong
 Mike Barnes
 Gil Barrett
 Diane Best
 Kristin Bonforte
 Julie Brinson
 Barbara Brosnan
 David Brosnan
 Ted Burton
 George Davis
 Hadylene Davis
 Joann Dillon
 Frank Duffy
 Roseanne Duffy
 Clint Duke
 Marshall Faulkenberry
 Bryan Genez
 Brenda Harding
 Sue Harrell
 Larue Harris
 Dianne Hawkins
 Paula Hodge
 Bea Honnet
 Georgie Jackson
 Rosa Johnson
 Suzanne Kaylor
 Edwina Long
 Randy Lovette
 Bob Maple
 Chuck Ontiveros
 Charlie Parker
 Linda Russ
 Jeanette Saik

Ann Scott
 Eileen Shalhoub
 Dave Stoll
 Karla Thompson
 Ronnie Watson
 Jennifer Wright
Centenary Friends
 Davey Altman
 Susan Arthur
 Jackie Badger
 Alva Barrow
 Earl Berry, Jr.
 Guy Buckman
 Jack Callsen
 Jim Cayton
 Bryan Coker
 Vinnie Cusick
 Stuart Duke
 Bobby Faulkner
 Ronnie Gilliam
 Morgan Hartman
 Will Howard
 Deanna Jarvis
 Sarah Johnson
 Genell Keown
 Patricia Loffredo
 Sarah Miller
 Fred Mills
 Ken Morris
 Joyce Davis Morse
 Anne Navario
 Ken Potterton
 Ken Rice
 Melinda Robinson
 George Rodriguez

Mike Roed
 Sue Scott
 George Smith
 Sherry Springer
 Pam Stevens
 Jesse Sutton
 Judy Szychowski
 Paul Szychowski
 Mike Twichel
 Patti Urick
 Amy White
 Rick White
 Pierce Williams
 Stephanie Williams
Military
 Dan Belet
 Colin Boyle
 John Christie, Jr.
 Gray Harris
 Joseph Hunt, V
 Brandon Oliver
 Kim Ontiveros
 Chris Polo
 Joseph Wiley

Next Week's Scripture

Exodus 34:19-35
 Psalm 99
 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2
 Luke 9:28-36

Attendance Last Week

8:30 Worship	64
8:50 Worship	69
11:00 Worship	147

Giving Report

2019 Budget	\$819,130
Year to date giving	<u>\$100,304</u>
Balance needed	\$718,826