

This Week at Centenary	
Sunday	Wednesday
8:30 AM Worship-Chapel	6:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast
8:50 AM Xperience Worship-Sanctuary	12:00 PM Wednesday Worship
10:00 AM Sunday School	4:30 PM Children's Choir
11:00 AM Worship	6:00 PM Chapel Choir
5:00 PM Middle School Youth Group	6:00 PM Brass Ensemble
6:00 PM CentYouth Dinner	7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir
6:30 PM High School Youth Group	7:00 PM Praise Team
	7:00 PM Troop 13
Monday	Thursday
10:30 AM Believe Study	10:30 AM Preschool Graduation
12:30 PM UMW Luncheon	5:30 PM Brownie Troop 1930
6:00 PM Bible study	5:30 PM Brownie Troop 560
6:15 PM Cub Scout Pack 13	
Tuesday	Friday
2:00 PM Elijah rehearsal	
6:00 PM Brownie Troop 307	Saturday
6:30 PM Carillon Choir	

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.

- ✚ Invite a friend or neighbor to come to worship with you.
- ✚ Take a bulletin to someone who you noticed was not in church this week and let them know they were missed.



Please remember to turn off your cell phone during worship.

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

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

Next Week's Scripture

Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14;5:6-11
John 17:1-11



Centenary is a Stephen Ministry Congregation

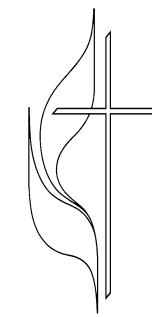
Attendance Last Week		Giving Report	
Sunday School	82	2017 Budget	\$827,646
8:30 Worship	80	Year to date giving	<u>\$323,212</u>
8:50 Worship	89	Balance needed	\$504,434
11:00 Worship	171		



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Amanda Kennedy, Asst. to Director of Music Ministries



Centenary United Methodist Church

*The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 21, 2017*

8:30 AM

Experience Christ's love - Grow in Christ's love—Share Christ's love

GATHERING OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

Welcome and Announcements

Please register your attendance in the pew pads (found at the end of the pew) and pass it to your neighbor. When it reaches the end of the pew, pass it back and learn the names those sitting near you!

Prelude *I Need Thee Every Hour*

*Introit # 77 *How Great Thou Art* (chorus)

*Greeting Psalm 148:1, 13

Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise the Lord in the heights!
**Let them praise the name of the Lord, whose name alone is exalted,
whose glory is above earth and heaven.**

*Opening Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth.

*Hymn # 152 *I Sing The Almighty Power of God*

PROCLAIMING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and Your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.

First Lesson Acts 17:22-31

*The Gloria Patri # 70

*The Gospel John 14:15-21

Sermon *If You Love Me*
The Rev. Susan Pate Greenwood

Hymn # 408 *The Gift of Love*

*Affirmation of Faith # 883

The Passing of the Peace

Hymn Sing

THANKSGIVING

Intercessory Requests and Thanksgivings

Call to Prayer # 357 *Just As I Am* (v. 1)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

The Offering

The Offertory *Forgiven* Blankenship

Chapel Choir

Forgiven, I've been forgiven; God has looked beyond my sin, saved me from what I might have been, Gave me a new life within. Forgiven, I've been forgiven, God has looked beyond my sin, Saved me from what I might have been, Gave me a new life within, I am forgiven by His grace. Though He had chosen me to be His own, I turned my back and walked away; And when He often urged me to return, I simply said, "Another day." The path of sinful life I chose to go, I did not care what others thought! But still He love my life more than His own, And with His life my soul He bought! My soul He bought! Forgiven, I've been forgiven, God has looked beyond my sin, Saved me from what I might have been, Gave me a new life within, I am forgiven by His grace!

*Presentation of the Offerings with the Doxology # 94

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, most merciful and gracious, of whose bounty we have all received, accept this offering of your people. Remember in your love those who have brought it and those for whom it is given, and so follow it with your blessing that it may promote peace and goodwill among all peoples, and advance the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Reception of New Members

Barbara Adair

Transfer from First Presbyterian Church, New Smyrna Beach, FL

Vicki Jones

Transfer from Isle of Faith United Methodist Church, Jacksonville, FL

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn # 384 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

*Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

*Sending Forth # 99 *My Tribute*

*Postlude *I Will Sing The Wondrous Story*

**Please stand as you are able.*

Hearing assistance devices are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

A Stephen Minister will be at the altar after the service to listen and to answer questions.

Assisting in Worship This Morning

Altar Guild: Julie Brinson, Mary Ann Minton, Eileen Shalhoub, Joan McClellan, Glenda Sewell

Greeters: P.D. & Pam Scott

Ushers: Larry Cumbo, John Harding

Lay Reader: Pat Ruff

Prayer Concerns

Centenary Family

Peggy Armstrong
Mary Bullock
Phyllis Burton
Gwen Christie
George Davis
Hadylene Davis
Chris Drake
Frank Duffy
Roseanne Duffy
Revonda Ferreira
Ann Forshey
Glen Grabowski
Jan Gronosky
Jim Gronosky
Dianne Hawkins
Bea Honnet
Edwina Long

Bob Maple
Harold Marshall
Phil Minton
Joe Motley
Chuck Ontiveros
Marilyn Ontiveros
Stan Richmond
Ann Scott
Bill Scott
Vanita Seymour
Howard Smith
Sally Stubbings
Karla Thompson
Ronnie Watson
Jennifer Wright
Claudia Zink

Centenary Friends

Davey Altman
Guy Buckman
Sean Bunn
Bobby Faulkner
Donnie Gilliam
Ronnie Gilliam
Alric Gonzalez
Brenda Heath
Edella Johnson
Patricia Loffredo
Margaret & Leslie
Bruce McLamb
Sarah Miller
Preston family
Laurie Seitz
Sherry Springer
Nancy Thompson

Shirley Whealton
Michael Whitley
Military
John Christie, Jr.
Joseph M. Hunt



**Centenary UMC Vacation Bible School
Kick-off Picnic: Sunday, June 18 1:00 PM
Monday, June 19-Thursday, June 22
9:00 AM—12:00 PM**

**Register online at centenarychurch.com
or
Call the church office at 637-4181**

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the glory of God in honor of Jerry and Mary Carpenter on their 40th wedding anniversary by their children.

Thru-the-Week School Registration-Registration for the 2017-2018 school year has begun. If you, or someone you know, are interested in pre-school for your child, please contact Katherine Muse at the church (637-4181) or at home (671-6460). Children will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.

Pillowcase Ministry-Most of the residents at the RCS Shelter arrive with nothing other than what they're wearing. When they leave the shelter 30-40% of them move on to more permanent housing. The remaining 60-70% move on to another transient housing situation. A simple pillowcase becomes a possession that is theirs and theirs alone to keep personal belongings as they move from place to place. The United Methodist Women are collecting pillowcases, store bought, handmade or gently used, to meet this ever-growing need. Inside each pillowcase we are sewing a piece of fabric with Psalm 4:8 printed on it. "I will lie down and sleep in peace. For you, O Lord, make me dwell in safety." We are inviting the congregation to participate in this project by donating pillowcases. They can be dropped off in the church office at any time as this will be an ongoing ministry.

Come hear Randy Wersma, **Director of Engagement--ZOE Ministries!** Yes, Randy will visit with our Missions Committee at 5:30, **Tuesday, May 23** in Room 202. Randy will review ZOE accomplishments and talk about new initiatives! He will speak for about 30 minutes. Please join us! RSVP to ppeebles2393@gmail.com!

GriefShare at Centenary-A new GriefShare gathering will be starting on June 5th at Centenary in Rm 206 at the church office building on 309 New St in downtown New Bern. It will run on Mondays, 10:00 am until noon, from June 5th to Sept. 11th. For information on the morning sessions or to register, please contact Pam Bonina at 252-497-8489 or pambonina@gmail.com Grief Share is for anyone who has lost a loved one to death - spouse, parent, child, friend or other relative. The sessions are a combination of video content, which will provide you with access to practical and spiritual guidance from a variety of experts, and group discussion, where you'll have the opportunity to learn from and help each other. Each session is designed to provide you with the support you need to begin to recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life. Sessions are led by people who have themselves lost loved ones, understand what you are going through and want to help. You may join at any time during the 14 weeks and at any point in your grief recovery journey. Additional information on this program can be found at www.griefshare.org.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of someone, please call the church office at 637-4181 and reserve the Sunday you choose. Available dates: July 2, 23, 30.

Give your child the gift of camp this summer!! Sign up at Camp Don Lee.

Spaces still available in:

- Marine Science Camp
 - One Week Traditional Camp for Children and Youth
 - Two Week Camp opportunities for high schoolers (9-12)
- Adventure Camps**
To register, go to donleecenter.org