

**MidWeek Meal**-Wednesday at 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This week's meal will be a fund-raiser for the preschool prepared by the Preschool Advisory Board. Please sign up on the reservation insert.



**GriefShare is in session** and will run every Monday from 10:00 AM until noon. They will continue through April 23rd in Room 206. You are welcome to 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, If you know of someone who is hurting, please invite them. For more information, please contact Pam Bonina at 252-497-8489 or pambonina@gmail.com

**Designated Music Fund**-This fund was established, more than a decade ago, to defray Music Ministry costs not covered by the operating budget, such as the cost of musicians and orchestra at Easter. Anyone wanting to contribute to this special fund is invited to make donations to "Music Designated Fund".



**HAITI MISSION SUPPLIES**-Supplies are needed for a Haiti mission team leaving March 30 through April 4<sup>th</sup>. These supplies will be distributed to Wings of Hope, Blanchard School and Yahve Shamma School. Items needed are: 1.) *Toddler Diapers*: Size 5, 27+ pounds, side fasteners, NOT pull-ups 2.) *Adult Diapers* (Adjustable

Underwear): Small/Medium, 28-40-inch waist, Side fasteners, NOT pull-ups/underwear style 3.) *Adult Diapers* (Fitted Briefs): Medium, 28-40-inch waist, Side fasteners, NOT pull-ups/underwear style 4.) *T-shirts and shorts* (the athletic kind with elastic waists): new or gently used — sizes child small, medium, large and adult small and medium. 5.) *Crocs (or Croc-like sandals)*, new or gently used — sizes youth 5 through mens 9. 6.) *Latex gloves* 7.) *Bar soap* 8.) *Large cans of tuna* 9.) *Large jars of peanut butter* 10.) *Large containers of Kool-Aid* 11.) *Construction paper* 12.) *Erasers* 13.) *Dry erase markers (no black)* 14.) *Pencils* 15.) *Pencil sharpeners* 16.) *Tennis shoes* 17.) *Clothes* 18.) *Gently used large suitcases* 19.) *Handwriting paper grade 2: 1/2 inch ruling red baseline broken midline.* 20.) *Toothpaste.* Collection sites will be in the Narthex and outside the Chapel. Please contact Lydia Warren at 252-671-6115 if you have any questions. Donations will be accepted through **March 25**. Thank you for your support.

**New Sunday School class**-The "Issues" Sunday School class will begin reading and discussing Brian McLaren's "The Great Spiritual Migration" on Sunday, March 25 in the library at 10:00. If interested, please purchase the book at your normal source and join us for interesting conversations. Contact Richard Peebles if you have questions.



**Free Income Tax Return Preparation**-Free income tax return preparation is being offered by the IRS sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program in Craven and Pamlico counties. This free tax service is being offered for low to moderate income and elderly taxpayers at the Harrison Community Center, 311 Middle Street, New Bern on Mondays and Tuesdays, February 5 thru April 16 plus February 22 and April 12 and 13. (Not open February 13 & 19 and April 2 & 3) In Pamlico, free tax service will be offered at the Pamlico County Senior Citizens Center, 800 Main Street in Alliance on Wednesdays, February 7 thru April 11. Both sites will be open from 9 am to 3 pm. Free income tax returns will be prepared by IRS certified volunteers. For more information call 252-772-5245 or email: NewBernVITA@gmail.com.

**Assisting in Worship This Morning**

**Altar Guild:** Dana Crayton, Iris Jones, Maryanne Brinson, Martha Leoni, Beth Rankar  
**Ushers:** Danny Bullock, Jazz Woodward  
**Lay Reader:** Steve Russ

**Prayer Concerns**

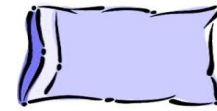
<b>Centenary Family</b>	Sue Harrell	Vinnie Cusick	Dylan Quick
Frank Albertini	Dianne Hawkins	Stuart Duke	George Rodriguez
Peggy Armstrong	Bea Honnet	Mike Edwards	Mike Roed
Gil Barrett	Edwina Long	Bobby Faulkner	Scott Schultz
Irma Becker	Bob Maple	Ronnie Gilliam	Sherry Springer
Lois Bell	Harold Marshall	Morgan Hartman	Pam Stevens
Alex Burnette	Chuck Ontiveros	Will Howard	Judy Szychowski
Phyllis Burton	Jim Polo	Deanna Jarvis	Quinn Tart
Ted Burton	Ann Scott	Edella Johnson	Clark Taylor
George Davis	Esther Sherman	Sarah Johnson	Nancy Thompson
Hadylene Davis	Bob Simril	David Leary	Mike Twichell
Frank Duffy	Billie Swain	Patricia Loffredo	Patti Urick
Roseanne Duffy	Karla Thompson	Bruce McLamb	Jacob White
Clint Duke	Ruth Waters	Tommy McLaughlin	Stephanie Williams
Rick Fiets	Jennifer Wright	Sarah Miller	<b>Military</b>
Ann Forshey	<b>Centenary Friends</b>	Fred & Dottie Mills	John Christie, Jr.
Harold Forshey	Davey Altman	Ken Morris	Gray Harris
Jan Gronosky	Jennifer Anderson	Kathy Parke	Kim Ontiveros
Cherylle Hird	Guy Buckman	Nora & Blake Powell	Jason Wright
Dot Lee Jernigan	Sean Bunn		

**Lenten Noon-Day Worship**

March 21	12:00 PM	Scripture: Mark 2:1-12	Preacher: Don Hodges
	12:30 PM	Lenten Lunch prepared by Chadwick Class	
March 28	12:00 PM	Scripture: Mark 3:1-6	Preacher: Rick Moser
	12:30 PM	Lenten Lunch prepared by Missions Committee	

**Lenten Offering:** This year's Lenten offering will go to Reviving Lives Ministry & True Justice International. Reviving Lives Ministries of New Bern (RLM) assists men and women who are dealing with the devastating consequences of substance abuse and addiction to find & maintain recovery. RLM provides separate clean/sober and substance-free residential home environments for both men and women. Participants live within a structured environment, have responsibilities within the houses, are engaged in faith-based 12 Step Classes, daily AA/NA meetings, & required to meet certain educational, vocational, spiritual, wellness & life skills training. Participants may remain in the program for up to two years as long as they continue to adhere to the rules of the program, work consistently on substance abuse issues & assist in paying for program services. True Justice International, a locally based organization, promotes the restoration of humanity with mercy & compassion, through strategic initiatives that focus on the injustices fueling human trafficking. They locally operate Anna's House, an all-inclusive, five bed, comprehensive healing home for adult female survivors of sexual & labor exploitation. If donating by check, please denote Lenten offering on the memo line. You may also make an on-line donation via the church website. Thank you for your support!

**SHOES FOR GOD'S CHILDREN:** *Making shoes for barefoot children in Africa.* Save the date Saturday May 12, 2018, 12:00 - 2:30 pm. Join Faith Connection's 19 congregations for this "Healing Our World" workshop. 300 million children in the world have no shoe and are at great risk of life threatening diseases that enter their bodies through cuts on their feet. To address this problem, this ministry has taught mothers and caregivers in Africa to make shoes for their barefoot children. At our workshop we will be making shoes for children in African orphanages who have no one to make shoes for them. Location: First Presbyterian Church J. Murphy Smith Center 508 Middle Street. To sign up email or call Susan Cook [jcook16@suddenlink.net](mailto:jcook16@suddenlink.net) or 636-1621.



**Pillowcase Ministry**-For the past two years the congregation at Centenary has provided pillowcases for the residents at RCS. In January pillowcases were given to True Justice International for the young women being rescued from Human Trafficking and to the Women's Shelter. Inside each pillowcase we have sewn Psalm 4:8, "I will lie down and sleep in peace. For you, O Lord, make me dwell in safety." There is a growing need in the community for these pillowcases which bring comfort to the recipients as well as giving them a means to transport their belongings as they move to other locations. We are accepting new and gently used standard size pillowcases as well as cash donations to buy pillowcases and/or fabric to make them. Pillowcases may be dropped off in the church office.

**Troop Support**-Centenary has sent several packages to Air Force B-52 crews in the Middle East during Christmas and more recently. It is good to be back at that. We have had several thank you letters. Hopefully we will receive more names. If you know of a deployed soldier please send us their names and addresses. We have also sent several packages to the NC Veterans Home in Kinston. All to whom we send packages are most appreciative. We hope things will pick up and more shipments will be moving. Thanks for your continued support. Hal

**Concert** for Religious Community Services at the Masonic Theater on Hancock Street at 3PM on Sunday, March 18, 2018. It is called *Two Tenors* and features Patrick Clerkin and Denny Colbert accompanied by Katherine Wilson. \$20 at the door and Students \$10. All proceeds from this concert will go directly to RCS, so, please, mark this date on your calendars now.

**Interfaith Refugee Ministry needs:** Dish detergent, unscented laundry detergent, 13 & 30 gallon trash bags, towels, bed linens (No king size), blankets, 60 W light bulbs, Windex, Clorox wipes, Comet powder or Soft Scrub, sponges, deodorant, razors, shampoo, diapers, baby wipes, bar soap, liquid hand soap, calendars, umbrellas, wrench, hammer, screwdriver, tape measure, school supplies, stamps. Please bring your gifts to the office.

During Wednesday dinners, **children's choir will sell our Furnace DVD's and flash drives** for an affordable price of \$14. Please pay in advance after ordering to assure delivery in a timely manner. All proceeds will support the children's music ministry to enhance future musicals and expenses. Thank you for your continued support through our choir season!

**Registration for Centenary Thru-the-Week School for the 2018/2019 school year has begun.** If you, or someone you know, are interested in preschool 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.



**Artfelt Scriptures**, sponsored by the Missions Committee, is coming! About once a month original art, illustrating the day's scripture, will appear at each service.

**This Week at Centenary**

**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 Church Council  
 5:00 PM Confirmation  
 6:00 PM CentYouth dinner  
 6:00 PM Brices Creek Psalms study  
 6:30 PM Sr. High Youth

**Monday**

10:00 AM GriefShare  
 10:15 AM Bible Study  
 6:15 PM Pack 13  
 7:00 PM Stephen Ministers class

**Tuesday**

9:30 AM A Woman's Heart study  
 3:00 PM Ladies ensemble  
 4:15 PM Men's Ensemble  
 4:30 PM Children's Choir  
 5:00 PM Staff Parish Relations Committee  
 6:30 PM Carillon Choir  
 6:30 PM Girl Scout leaders meeting

**Wednesday**

6:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast @  
 Country Biscuit  
 12:00 PM Lenten Noon-Day Worship  
 12:30 PM Lenten Lunch  
 3:15 PM After School Program  
 5:30 PM MidWeek meal  
 6:00 PM Brass Ensemble  
 6:00 PM Chapel Choir  
 6:15 PM MidWeek study  
 6:15 PM Facilitators meeting  
 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir  
 7:00 PM Praise Team  
 7:00 PM Troop 13

**Thursday**

5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 4813  
 5:45 PM Girl Scout Troop 560  
 6:00 PM Lord, Is It I rehearsal  
 7:00 PM Downtown Psalms study

**Friday**

**Saturday**

10:00 AM Children's 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.

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 you cannot be with us in person.

✚ 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.

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



*Centenary is a Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**Next Week's Scripture**

*Liturgy of the Palms*  
 Mark 11:1-11  
 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

**Attendance Last Week**

Sunday School 74  
 8:30 Worship 66  
 8:50 Worship 56  
 11:00 Worship 167

**Giving Report**

2018 Budget \$821,320  
 Year to date giving \$180,132  
 Balance needed \$641,188

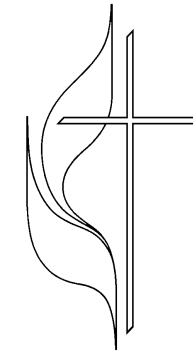
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Office hours:  
 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM  
 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM (Friday)

Rev. Susan Pate Greenwood, Senior Pastor  
 Rev. Rick Moser, Associate Pastor  
 Rev. David Brosnan, Pastor of Visitation  
 Rev. Bill Sherman, Pastor Emeritus  
 Paul Saik, Director of Music Ministries  
 Amanda Kennedy, Asst. to Director of Music Ministries  
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**Centenary  
 United Methodist Church**

*The Fifth Sunday in Lent  
 March 18, 2018*

*X-perience 8:50 a.m.*

*Experience Christ's Love—Grow in Christ's Love  
 Share Christ's Love*

**GATHERING MUSIC**

*\*Great Are You Lord*  
 (congregation sings)

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SINGING GOD'S PRAISES**

*\*Jesus Paid It All*

*\*Lead Me To The Cross*

**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**+CALL TO PRAYER**

*Jesus Paid It All*

**+PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**+THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**GIVING**

*Overcome*

**LISTENING FOR GOD'S VOICE**

Old Testament Lesson Jeremiah 31:31-34

Time with Young Disciples

\*The Gospel Lesson John 12:20-33

Proclamation *Clean Heart*

The Rev. Susan Pate Greenwood

**SONG OF BLESSING**

*\*Open The Eyes of My Heart*

**SENDING OUT**

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

*+You are invited to kneel for prayers as desired.*