

Christ's Love

Welcome New Friends! We are glad we can worship God together this morning. Let our church family embrace yours! When you are ready to make Centenary your new church home, please speak with either of our ministers or indicate your desire on the visitor information card.

All three services (8:30, 9:00, 11:00) are streamed live on Facebook (Centenary United Methodist Church) and on our webpage (centenarychurch.com). The services will also be posted to YouTube (Centenary UMC New Bern NC) by Monday.

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

> Centenary is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

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Our Staff:

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Centenary **United Methodist Church**



Corner of Middle & New Streets New Bern, North Carolina

February 23, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Welcome Home!

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

February 23, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Gathering to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

*Songs of Praise

Our God Goodness of God

Preparing for God's Word

Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

Goodness of God

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Give

Song of Thanksgiving

You Say

Receiving God's Word

Time With Young Disciples

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11,15

*Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

This is the word of God for us the people of God:

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "The Freedom of Forgiveness" Vann Spivey

Going Forth to Serve

*Song of Grace

Holy Water

*Passing the Peace of Christ

*Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you;

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Amen.

Scout Sunday

The Scouting program at Centenary is more than just an activity for our youth to learn about the outdoors. Scouting provides fun, fellowship and training to our youth as well as youth in our community. It emphasizes honesty, self-reliance and respect. Through a year-round program, it affects character, citizenship and personal fitness. But the success of our Scouting depends on our volunteers, who serve in a variety of leadership roles so that our young people may benefit from our Scouting ministry. As Scouting America celebrates its anniversary, we salute the splendid volunteers who serve as Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Sea Scout Skippers and Venturing Advisors, and in other positions of leadership.

(*) Indicates please stand as you are able. Words printed in bold are to be prayed or read in unison.

Please return all hymnals, songbooks, and Bibles to their holder on the back of the pew before you leave: 2 hymnals, 2 songbooks, and 1 Bible per section.