



Happy Father's Day

June 21, 2020

Centenary United Methodist Church

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Announcements for Missions and Ministry

Choral Call to Worship *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Call to Worship

Come to God who gathers us in.

We come to God who nurtures us like a father.

Come to God whose arms are open and waiting.

We come to God who welcomes and forgives us.

Come to God who journeys with us.

We come to God who sees us as we really are and loves us anyway.

Come, praise our loving nurturing God!

~ posted on *Worship Words*. <http://worshipwords.co.uk/prayer-of-intercession-for-fathers-day/>

Opening Prayer

O God, Father that you are, come into our midst.

O God, from you we understand fatherhood.

O God, you are the good Father.

O God, you are the true Father.

O God, Father that you are, be with us now and always.

~ author unknown. Posted in a worship order from [First Presbyterian Church](http://static1.1.sqspcdn.com/static/f/878014/25039268/1402607286727/6-15-14). <http://static1.1.sqspcdn.com/static/f/878014/25039268/1402607286727/6-15-14>

Hymn *This Is My Father's World* 144 UMH verses 1 & 3

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world:

I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world:

Why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King; let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let the earth be glad!

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

We Worship with God's Tithes and our Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory *On Eagles' Wings*

Scripture Isaiah 40:31; Jeremiah 29:11; Zechariah 9:12

A Prayer of Hope

God of hope we bring before you those whose lives are dried up:

Come from the four winds, O breath of God, and breathe upon these that they may live.

We pray for those dried up by disappointment, by bitterness, by guilt . . .

We pray for those whose spirit is drained by grief, by hunger, by despair . . .

Come from the four winds, O breath of God, and breathe upon these that they may live.

God of hope we bring before you those whose hope is lost:

Come from the four winds, breath of God, and breathe upon these that they may live.

We pray for people persecuted, violated, left for dead . . .

We pray for people bewildered, disillusioned, apathetic . . .

Come from the four winds, O breath of God, and breathe upon these that they may live.

God of hope we bring before you those who feel cut off:

Come from the four winds, O breath of God, and breathe upon these that they may live.

We pray for those cut off by age, by disability, by thoughtlessness . . .

We pray for those cut off from family, from neighbors, from God . . .

Come from the four winds, O breath of God, and breathe upon these that they may live.

God of hope we thank you for the promise of restoration of a new day and a new life:

Thanks be to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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Hymn *You Are My All in All* 3040 WS, verses 1 and 2

You are my strength when I am weak. You are the treasure that I seek.

You are my all in all.

Seeking you as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.

You are my all in all.

(refrain) Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless your name,

You are my all in all

When I fall down you pick me up. When I am dry you fill my cup.

You are my all in all

(refrain)

Benediction of Action and Blessing

Leader: Go now, as light-bearers to a world in darkness,

Go now, as hope-carriers to a world in despair;

People: We thank You, Lord, for re-igniting the flame of hope within us, for filling our hearts with light and evicting the darkness, and for giving a new vision of Your glory. We go in the name of Christ, in the love of God and in the power of the Spirit. Amen.

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Choral Benediction *God Be With You Till We Meet Again*

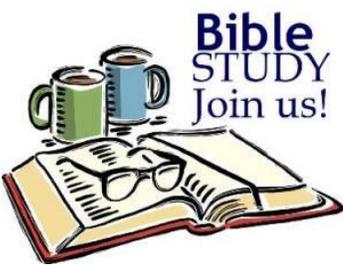
Our Sympathy: Teresa John requests prayers of sympathy for the Beardsley family on the death of their 26-year-old daughter, Katelyn Beardsley. A memorial service will be held at Westover Church on June 27.

The Prayer Chain has received requests to pray for the following people: Charles Gordon, Dot Frye, Robert Hemphill, Abbie Samuel, and Bianca York's mother,

Rachel Flores. Pray for Barbara Grey, Teresa John's mom. Frank York is at Friends Guilford. Pat Gunn is scheduled for carotid artery surgery on June 25. Prayers for Trudy Sillmon, Pat Stevenson, and Sally Goin. Pray for Kim Self, Larry Swindell's niece, she has a blood clot in her brain. Also pray for Margaret Turnage's brother, Hugh Burton, and Becky Ensign's father-in-law, Chuck Sartore, who is improving. Prayer for Anita Trumpler-Rich's husband, Charles, who had a minor procedure on June 18.

If you have a prayer concern, please contact the church office at 336-299-9643 or call Kelley at the parsonage. Let us know if the concern may be shared with the congregation or only with the pastoral staff.

July Ad Council – Zoom meeting at 4:00 on Sunday, July 12. An email with link for the Zoom video and phone number for call in will be sent to council members the day of the meeting.



Tuesdays at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM using Zoom we are studying the Psalms through June 30. Send an email to kgroce@wnccumc.net to receive an email invitation to Zoom. You may also listen in by phone. Contact the church if you would like to participate 336-299-9643.

Our next bible study will be on Romans beginning August 4. We will let you know if we need to continue with Zoom meetings, or if we can be socially distant and meet together at the church. That decision will be made in July.

June & July Mission Focus - Centenary UMC has a heart for food scarcity. We will be focusing on this mission throughout the months of June & July. We would like you to consider sending a donation, above and beyond your usual monthly pledge, to support Out of the Garden Project. You may make your check payable to Centenary UMC and put "Out of the Garden Project" on the memo line. You may do this in honor or in memory of a loved one and it will be recognized in the July and August *Centenarian*. Mail your check to Centenary UMC, 2300 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27403.

The Power of Prayer - From Pentecost through Labor Day we want to lift up the church in prayer. There are three ways to participate, besides your own personal prayer time:

1. If you would like to be a part of the prayer group by phone or Zoom meeting on your computer – please call Kelley at 336-285-5081 or e-mail at kgroce@wnccumc.net . The group will convene each Wednesday from 5:00-5:30 PM. A time of prayer for church.
2. Kelley will send out a prayer through phone tree and e-mail each week.
3. Kelley, or a member of the church, will say a prayer on Facebook each Wednesday

We are the Church. We are Christ's people. We are people of Prayer. Let us be Pentecost People of Power and Prayer.

[A Pastoral Letter to United Methodists of the Southeastern Jurisdiction](#) and A Summons to Witness, Protest & Promise is available online to read. The Pastoral Letter will also be printed in the July *Centenarian*.