

Remembrance  
An Important  
Component of Hope

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United  
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Announcements for Missions and Ministry

Choral Call to Worship *Hymn of Promise* ..... Natalie Sleeth

Call to Worship

Leader: Though there is strife in the world.

**People: Yet will we seek God.**

Leader: When our hearts grow heavy and the burdens are overbearing,

**People: We will turn to the Lord.**

Leader: God is with us in all things.

**People: We can place our trust in the God of love and hope. AMEN.**

Leader: Let us pray together:

**Bless us as we gather, dear Lord we pray. Bless the singing of your praise,  
the reading of your Word, the prayers that will be heard. Bless us as we  
gather, dear Lord we pray. Amen**

*Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.*

*Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.*

*You are the Potter, I am the clay*

*Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.*

*Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.*

*Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.*

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 who 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 Amen.**

We Worship with God's Tithes and our Offering

Offertory            *In Remembrance of Me* .....Ragan Courtney/Buryl Red

Scripture            1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Sermon              "Remembrance: An Important Component of Hope"

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Affirmation of our Faith – The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version            881 UMH

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;\* the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\*\* church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

*Great is your faithfulness, O God*

*You wrestle with the sinner's heart.*

*You lead us by still waters into mercy and nothing can keep us apart*

*So remember your people, remember your children,*

*Remember your promise, O God.*

*(refrain) Your grace is enough, your grace is enough,*

*Your grace is enough for me.*

*Your grace is enough, your grace is enough,*

*Your grace is enough for me.*

*Great is your love and justice, God*

*You use the weak to lead the strong.*

*You lead us in the song of your salvation, and all your people sing along*

*So remember your people, remember your children,*

*Remember your promise, O God.*

*(refrain)*

Benediction

Choral Benediction                      *Jesus, Remember Me* ..... Jacques Berthier

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**Altar Flowers:** The flowers are given today in celebration of Jim and Diane Stanley's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

If you would like to sign up for altar flowers, to be given in honor, in memory, or in celebration, please contact the church office at 336-299-9643. The following dates are available: August 9, 23, and 30; September 13, 20, & 27; October 4 & 25. Any donation to the church, to cover the cost of the flowers, would be appreciated.

**Our Sympathy to the following families:** Rev. Jamie Armstrong on the death of his mother, Margarete Heli Armstrong, and to our UMAR friend, Eric, whose mother

also died. If you would like to send a card to Eric, please send it to the church address: Centenary UMC, Attn: UMAR – Eric, 2300 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27403 and we will deliver them to Eric.

**The Prayer Chain has received requests to pray for the following people:** Chuck Carrick, Mandy Durham, Jean Farabee, Albert Esterline, Joann Martin, Abbie Samuel, Jean Brincefield, Charles Gordon, Dot Frye, Robert Hemphill, Frank York, Trudy Sillmon, Sally Goin, and Bianca York's mother, Rachel Flores, in your prayers. Pat Stevenson will have surgery August 5. Prayers for Chris Bagwell's friend, Sheila Foster, who has cancer. Prayers for Sherrill Willis' brother-in-law, Raymond, who has stage 4 cancer. Also, prayers for Noah Demmitt, Amy Coffee, and many others dealing with the challenges of our COVID times. Prayers for Anita Trumpler Rich's neighbor, Jennifer Gregory, who has cancer. And, for Jeff Sasser, a colleague of David Groce at Northwest Middle School, dealing with cancer.

**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.

**Wednesday Prayer Group** – Wednesdays from 5:00-5:30 PM join by phone or Zoom meeting to pray for our church and the world. Contact Kelley at 336-285-5081 or by email at [kgroce@wnccumc.net](mailto:kgroce@wnccumc.net), if you would like to participate.

**Fall Bible Study - Romans: Interpretation Bible Studies** - Our study group will meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM (note evening time change) beginning August 4. You may order your book from [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com), [Christianbook.com](https://www.Christianbook.com) or [Cokesbury](https://www.Cokesbury.com). Please have the first chapter read by our first meeting day. Call the church, or e-mail Kelley [kgroce@wnccumc.net](mailto:kgroce@wnccumc.net) to let her know if you are going to participate.



**End Racism Now – Yard Signs** are available for purchase at the church for \$8 each. We have a limited number available, but we can order more. If you would like one, please contact the church office at 336-299-9643 to arrange pick-up or delivery.