



**Centenary United Methodist Church**

**2300 W. Friendly Ave.**

**Greensboro, NC 27403**

**July 9, 2023**

**Reverend Kelley Groce, Pastor**

**Anita Trumpler-Rich, Music Director**

**Message: Betty Durham**

*Welcome friends, family, and visitors. May your hearts be touched by the Holy Spirit as we join in worship with devotion, songs, and prayer.*

*Our Mission: To experience God's life-changing love and take God's love into the world.*

*Our Vision: To be a church where everyone is involved in ministry.*

Prelude

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Announcements for Mission and Ministry

Choral Call to Worship

Surely The Presence of the Lord

Choir

Call to worship

Leader: Thanks be to you, oh God,

**People: who is worthy to be praised.**

Leader: Thanks be to you, oh God,

**People: that we gather as one body in this place.**

Leader: Thanks be to you, oh God,

**People: our rock, our redeemer, and our sustainer.**

Leader: Thanks be to you, oh God,

**People: The One who connects us through your love, peace, and faithfulness.**

Leader: Thanks be to you, oh God,

**People: who empowers us to live lives worthy of your praise.**

Leader: Thanks be to you, oh God,

**People: as we worship together this day.**

Opening Prayer

Holy One, we come before you today: full of hope, full of desire, full of promise. Bring to life in us a fiery passion for your mission in the world today. Make us wholly present to experience your grace. Remind us of our connection not only to you, but to one another; and awaken us to the new possibilities within us to share your love in the world full of challenges, bearing the fruits of your love and the Spirit within us. Reveal to us your truth and may your Spirit move through this place like a gentle breeze as we worship you. **Amen**

Hymn

Great is our Faithfulness

UMH 140

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Prayers of the people 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Anthem	The Summons	Choir
Scripture:		
Message:	“Do you put a period behind Jesus?”	Betty Durham
†Affirmation of Faith	Apostle’s Creed	UMH 881
†Gloria Patri		

CONCERNS AND JOYS OF CONGREGATION

Hymn	The Church Is One Foundation	UMH 545
Let us worship with God’s Tithes and our Offerings.		
Offertory	Freely, Freely	Choir
†Doxology		UMH 95
†HYMN	Guide My Feet	Insert
†DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		
†Postlude	A Charge to Keep I Have	

†Please stand as you are able and silence your cell phones.

We thank Jeannine Bailer for sharing her musical talents with us today.

**As you engage your ‘Prayer Life’ this week, please remember these prayer concerns: If you have a prayer concern or praise, please contact the church office at 336-299-9643, or call Kelley at the parsonage 336-285-5081. Let us know if the concern may be shared with the congregation.**



**Prayer Concerns**

Lori Johnson. Gretchen Crabtree. Betty Pleasants. Dave Blackman. Susan Carrick. Sheridian Wacker. Scott Stanley. Al & Lori Eaton. Peggy Harris. Diane & Jim Stanley. Trudy Sillmon. Don & Clara Ellis. Aly Saunders. Bruce Gillespie (Debbie Robinson’s friend). Rowan James (daughter of David Groce’s co-worker). Rev. Carol Williams-Gilbert. R. L. Almond (Doris Pruitt’s brother). Terry Pickett (Tom & Dona Pickett’s son). Hazel Perritt. Pat Glover. Mark Page (friend of the Groce family). Linda Southard (Rachel Sheppard’s cousin).

## Announcements and Calendar of events

**July Birthdays** – Paul Jones, Addison Snider (1<sup>st</sup>). Trent Iddings, Bruce Harkins (3<sup>rd</sup>). Mark Snider (4<sup>th</sup>). Steve Hennings (5<sup>th</sup>). Hazel Perritt, David Blackman (9<sup>th</sup>). Sara Jones, Emily Wagoner (10<sup>th</sup>).



Rives Deuterman (11<sup>th</sup>). Mona Sartin (13<sup>th</sup>). Jim John (14<sup>th</sup>). Joann Martin (15<sup>th</sup>). Leith Singletary (16<sup>th</sup>). Hermann Daiber (19<sup>th</sup>). Barbara Albright, George Robinson (23<sup>rd</sup>). Fran Williams (24). Bonnie Bradham (28<sup>th</sup>). Thomas Liles (31<sup>st</sup>).

**Sunday School at 9:45am** – in the Fellowship Hall, with a 12-week study on the Disciples of Jesus.

**July 15- Community Breakfast and Clothes Closet 8am to 10am.** Please come and help with this much needed ministry. There is a place for everyone to help! Whether it be cooking, serving, joining in conversation, or praying with our guest. Everyone needs to share in the blessing.

**July 18- 5:30pm Bible Study and meal.**

**July 19<sup>th</sup> – 3pm Kelley will be a Friend's Home.**

Attendance – July 2, 2023

Sunday School	12
Worship in-person	46
Worship - FaceBook Live	
Worship - YouTube	