



Centenary United Methodist Church

2300 W. Friendly Avenue, Greensboro, NC

Reverend Kelley Groce, Pastor Anita Trumpler-Rich, Music Director

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.

Gathering Music

"Patriotic Medley"

Announcements for Ministries and Missions

Choral Call to Worship “God of the Ages” Choir

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.

People: Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

Leader: Bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.

People: Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Almighty God, ruler of all nations; we pray for our nation and its people, and for our leaders. May we be mindful of your favor and obedient to your will. Forgive our shortcomings as a nation, and purify our hearts to know the truth that alone can make us free. Save us from injustice and oppression, from pride and arrogance, and from greed and self-centeredness. Increase our concern for people beyond our own boundaries and for the poor and afflicted in our own land, that we may be a blessing and an example to all nations. Bring us at last to that day when the whole world shall know peace and blessedness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

†HYMN OF PRAISE “Battle Hymn of the Republic” UMH 717 (vs.1,4,5)

Concerns and Joys 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, and the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.*

Anthem “God Bless America” Choir

LESSONS AND CAROLS FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

FIRST LESSON: Deuteronomy 10:12-13, 17-21

What Does God Require of a Nation?

HYMN “America” UMH 697 (vs. 1)

SECOND LESSON: Psalm 72

A Prayer for Justice & Righteousness

HYMN “America” UMH 697 (vs. 4)

THIRD LESSON: Galatians 5:13-26

The Proper Use of Freedom

HYMN "America the Beautiful" UMH 696 (vs. 1)

FOURTH LESSON: John 8:31-39

Genuine Freedom

HYMN "America the Beautiful" UMH 696 (vs. 2)

FIFTH LESSON: Ephesians 6:10-17

The Whole Armor of God

HYMN "America the Beautiful" UMH 696 (vs. 3)

SIXTH LESSON: 2 Timothy 2:1-7

A Good Soldier of Christ Jesus

HYMN "Am I a Soldier of the Cross" UMH 511 (vs. 1)

SEVENTH LESSON: Isaiah 42:1-9

The Servant, a Light to the Nations

HYMN "This is My Song" UMH 437 (vs. 1)

EIGHT LESSON: Ephesians 2:13-22

Peace of Christ

HYMN "This is My Song" UMH 437
(vs. 3)

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Surely the Presence of the Lord" Lanny Wolfe Choir

†DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

SERVICE OF Word and Table

UMH 13

†Hymn "Go Now in Peace" UMH 665

†Benediction

†Postlude Semper Fidelis

†Please stand as you are able.

Prayer Concerns

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.

Barbara Grey (Teresa John's mother). Sue Rosser (friend of Debbie Robinson). Shinai Lilly, (Anita Trumpler- Rich's sister). Alta Hinkle. Gretchen Crabtree. Sheridian Wacker. Susan Carrick. Dave Blackman. Jane Norman. Scott Stanley. Anne Murr. Margaret Miller. Lori Johnson. Trudy Sillmon. Don & Clara Ellis. Aly Saunders.

We extend our sympathy to Anne Murr in the death of her sister Mary Gray.



Birthdays in July – Paul Jones (1), Caroline Phillips (2), Bruce Harkins (3), Todd Iddings (3), Steve Hennings (4), Noel van Glahn (4), David Blackman (9), Hazel Perritt (9), Sara Jones (10), Emily Wagoner (10), Rives Dueterman (11), Mona Sartin (13), Jim John (14), Joann Martin (15), Leith Singletary (16), Herman Daiber (19), Barbara Albright (23), Fran Williams (24), Bonnie Bradham (28), Thomas Liles (31)

Altar Flowers: The Altar Flower calendar is open for this year. \$50.00/Sunday. The dates available are July 10,17,24,31, August 21, 28, September 4,11,18,25, October 2,9,23 November 6,13,27 December 4,11

Announcements for Mission and Ministry

July 10—Grasshoppers Game at 2:00 pm at the Grasshoppers ballpark. The Church has a sky box and tickets will be first come first serve. See Kelly or call the church office. Food may be purchased at the concession stand. Come on out, bring your family and have some fun with your fellow Church members. If you can and would like to make a donation to help cover the cost of the tickets and sky box, place it in the collection plate and mark it for Grasshoppers game or send a payment to the church and mark it Grasshoppers Game.

July 13 – noon – Pastor, Picnic and Passages. Meet at the church bring your lunch, We will meet in the fellowship hall or the Conference Room, share lunch, look at Scripture, talk how to face current issues from a Christian perspective.

Church office will be closed July 4th.
Fellowship Hall is closed the week of July 4-8 so
Adam can strip the floors.

