



**Centenary United Methodist Church
2300 W. Friendly Ave.
Greensboro, NC 27403**

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.

†Please stand as you are able.

Thank you for continuing to wear a mask even if you are fully vaccinated to protect the most vulnerable in our midst, especially those not yet able to be vaccinated.

Gathering Music

There's Something About That Name...WJ Gaither

Barbara Wolfe

Announcements for Missions and Ministry

Choral Call to Worship -

Lord, I Want to be a Christian

Choir

Call to worship:

Whoever you are, you are welcome.

That is good news!

Bring your hearts to praise God.

We are happy to be together.

Let us worship God with joy and spirit

Opening Prayer

**O wondrous God,
on this holy day,
we have gathered together once again
to celebrate your presence among us,
to praise you, and to thank you
for all you have given us.
May this time of worship
strengthen and refresh us,
and fill us with such joy
that we cannot help but share it
with everyone around us.
Though we are very different people,
with many different talents and gifts,
make us one in your Spirit,
that we may be your ministers
in the world. Amen.**

Hymn:

Jesus Loves Me

UMH #191, vs. 1-3

Joys and Concerns of Congregation and Community

Pastoral Prayer and 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 Lily of the Valley

Choir

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

Sermon: The Family of God

Response to the Word:

The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

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.

Hymn:

In the Garden

UMH #314, v. 1&3

We worship with God's Tithes and our Offerings

Offertory

Open My Eyes, That I May See

†Doxology

†Hymn:

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

UMH #526, v. 1&3

†Benediction

†Postlude

Precious Lord

Barbara Wolfe



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.

Paul Jones, had eye surgery and it went well. **Irmgard Daiber**, surgery on February 2nd. **Darryl**, (cousin of Mary Ann Smith) for esophageal and spine cancer. **Gretchen Crabtree**, blood pressure issues. **Sheridian Wacker**, breast cancer surgery on January 17th. **Susan Carrick**, AFib symptoms. **Kay Scott**, health challenges and treatment. Please keep him and the family in your prayers. **Anne Murr**, prayers for her treatments. **Margaret Miller** health issues. . **Dave Blackman**. **Jane Norman**. **Scott Stanley**. **Lori Johnson**. **Trudy Sillmon**. **Don & Clara Ellis**. **Aly Saunders**.

Please be in prayer, as many are ready to return to this service of outreach.

Our blessed friend and member, Louise Woods passed away on January 10th. Her burial was yesterday in Ramseur with Pastor Kelley and several other ladies in attendance. We will remember Louise for her faithfulness and devotion to her church, Sunday school, member of UMW, and assisting with the other ladies in folding the Centenarian.

Sympathy to the family of Betsy Wampler who passed away on January 2, 2022. Fred's address is 22 Dudley Brook Road, Deering NH 03244-6650

Announcements

We have a continuous collection of nonperishable items for the Urban Ministry at our church. You may drop them in the baskets located throughout the church, and we will make sure that they are delivered.

(Date Change) On January 26th at 3:00pm Rev. Kelley will be at Friend's Home Guilford for Devotion and Communion.

If you are in a new Leadership Position, the Western North Carolina Conference will host Leadership Trainings using Webinars the week of January 23-27. Like most events during the pandemic, our District Winter Leadership Training Events will look a little different for 2022. Rather than hosting in-person events in each district, we will offer a series of Conference-wide training webinars during the week of January 23-27 to resource and equip all areas of your Church leadership. More details will be announced soon.

New Bible Study Opportunity: Simon Peter – Faithful but Flawed Disciple our first meeting on January 24th at 6:30. If you would like a book for \$10.00, please let Rev. Groce know by Thursday, January 13th. She will have them to you in time that you may have read the first chapter by the first meeting. It will be in person and those who want to join by Zoom may.

Women's Supper Club will be meeting on Wednesday, January 26th at 6:00pm. Location TBD. Please contact Emily Lawing 336-906-9996 if you are planning on attending as some restaurants will not allow parties greater than 6 people. Thank you and Happy New Year!

Mark your calendars: American Red Cross Blood Drive on February 2nd. We are going to try once again to host the American Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, February 2nd in our Fellowship Hall from 2:00 to 6:30. If you can help register participants, or gift cookies to those who need a snack afterwards, any time which you could gift would be appreciated.