

A young boy with a joyful expression is climbing a rustic wooden structure made of logs. He is wearing a red and blue long-sleeved shirt. The background shows a blurred outdoor setting with more wooden logs.

HELP END HUNGER & POVERTY
ONE STEP AT A TIME THROUGH A

Virtual

CROP HUNGER WALK

IN SUPPORT OF

**CROP
HUNGER WALK**
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Centenary United Methodist Church

2300 W. Friendly Avenue, Greensboro, NC 27403

October 11, 2020

Reverend Kelley Groce, Pastor

Anita Trumpler-Rich, Director of Music

Announcements for Missions and Ministry

Choral Call to Worship *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Call to Worship

Leader: The Spirit of God is upon us.

People: We are called to be God's people.

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People: We are called to be the body of Christ.

Leader: Come let us worship God, who binds us together in love and service.

Opening Prayer:

Leading and Guiding God, you have opened the doors to us for true service. We are encouraged to become involved in ministries of peace and justice. The light of promise is reflected in your Spirit which rests in each one of us. Get us ready to serve you. Guide our lives, as we learn more of what you would have us do. AMEN.

Hymn *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* 57 UMH verses 1 & 2

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!*

*My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.*

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 and ever Amen.

We Worship with God's Tithes and our Offering

Offertory *There Is a Balm in Gilead**Afro-American spiritual*

Scripture Luke 4:14-21

Sermon "The Little Sparrow that Could" Rev. Kelley Groce

Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed (Traditional)

**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 *Spirit Song* 347 UMH verse 1

O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love.

Let him fill you heart and satisfy you soul.

O let him have the things that hold you,

And his Spirit like a dove

Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

(refrain) Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs,

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Benediction

Choral Benediction *His Eye is on the Sparrow* Martin/Gabriel

The Altar Flowers are given today by Betty Durham in honor of those walking in the 40th Anniversary of the CROP Hunger Walk.

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 still available in 2020: October 25, November 1, 8, & 22, and December 27.

Our Sympathy to the family of Kathy Burkhart, one of our UMAR friends, who died on Thursday, October 1 at Lake Norman Medical Center.

The Prayer Chain has received requests to pray for the following people:

Margaret & Patrick Miller - Margaret will be moving into Whittier Center at Friends Homes Guilford. Mike Crabtree will have knee surgery on October 12. Please continue to pray for Judy Milligan, Noah Demmitt, Amy Coffee, Don & Clara Ellis, Frank York, Chuck Farabee, Trudy Sillmon, Rachel Sheppard, and Pat Stevenson. Keep everyone affected by the hurricanes and wildfires in your prayers.

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.

Zoom Sunday School - Harold Billings and Dave Blackman are offering Sunday School lessons via Zoom on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM. They are using the International Lesson. No book is required. Email Kelley at kgroce@wnccumc.net or call her at the parsonage, if you would like a Zoom invitation or the phone number to call in for Sunday School.

Administrative Council Meeting – Sunday, October 11 at 4:00 PM via Zoom. Call or email Kelley if you plan to attend. kgroce@wnccumc.net

The Pumpkin Patch is now open! This fundraiser will support the Boy Scouts and Centenary UMC. Please spread the word and tell your friends and neighbors. Pumpkins and gourds of all shapes, sizes and colors are available. If you would like to volunteer to sell pumpkins, contact Alex Hurin at 336-457-0130 or email him at a2lman@aol.com. The Pumpkin Patch runs October 10-31.



Hours of Operation: 8:30 AM—8:00 PM Monday-Saturday
12:00—8:00 PM Sunday

CROP Hunger Walk TODAY! - 2020 marks the 40th Anniversary of the Greater Greensboro CROP Hunger Walk and CUMC will be participating again this year with a socially distant walk around the church on **Sunday, October 11 at 2:00 PM**. Please mark your calendar to walk with us, walk in your neighborhood, or sponsor someone to walk! The need is greater than ever this year. This year's theme is "Believe There is Good in the World." Donations of canned and boxed food items will be collected at the church during the CROP Hunger Walk and donated to Greensboro Urban Ministry. You may also make a financial donation. Checks should be made payable to CUMC and note "CROP" on the memo line. If you would like to be a walker on the team, be a cheerleader, or man the water station contact, Betty Durham at 336-542-8077 or Betty.Durham50@yahoo.com

New Bible Study: *Sermon on the Mount* by Amy Jill Levine

When: Monday Mornings @ 11:00 AM and Monday Evenings @ 6:30 PM

Where: TBD - either in person or via zoom, or both, depending upon how things are at that date.

Dates: November 2-December 7 (6 weeks)

