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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.

Centenary United Methodist Church Passion/Holy Week Opportunities

Sunday March 28

Passion/Palm Sunday Worship 10:30 am

New Centenary Players

Drama In Pantomime

Holy Thursday Communion

7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Sunday, April 4th

Resurrection Celebration 10:30 am

Gifts have been given to the church in memory of:

Harold Johnson by:

Ruth and Bob White, Jim, Diane & Scott Stanley, Dean & Dixie Yates, David & Barbara Blackman, Martha Nell Rives, Tom & Lindy Hutchison, Janette Joyner, Bill & Teny Holt, Jack & Anza Cole, Coak & Nancy May

Lewis "Ikey" Layton by:

Ruth and Bob White, Mona Sartin, Dixie & Dean Yates, Tom & Lindy Hutchison, Janette Joyner

Jean Rigney by:

Ruth & Bob White, Mona Sartin, Mary Rigney Adams, Bob & Mary Rigney, Curtis & LeAnn Rigney, Tracey & Rusty Rigney, Claude & Latell Rigney, Jim, Diane & Scott Stanley, Jim & Carey Jackson-Adams, Dean & Dixie Yates, Tom & Lindy Hutchison, Janette Joyner, Angeline Ensign, Jack & Anza Cole, Coak & Nancy May, Jean Brincefield, Charles & Patsy Stamey, Bill & Teny Holt, Wesley Fellowship Sunday School Class

James Hutchison by:

Mona Sartin
Charles & Nancy Gordon

February Financials

Revenues YTD \$ 63,140.53

Expenses YTD \$ 74,955.47



Lib Ham, Shelby Hinshaw, Teny Holt, Brent Mabe, Elsie Ragan, Penny Starnes, Shelby Tutterow, Betty Wilhelm, Rita Rothrock, Ruth White, Juanita Whitehead, Ginny Cox, Dean Yates, Ann Lynn Chambers, Walt Spencer, Joan King, Frankie Williams

Our Sympathy

Pastor Don Lloyd and the Centenary Family extend sincere sympathy to the family of Bob Walcot in the death of his father on March 12th.

April Acolytes

April 4
Haley Saunders,
Alex Marvin

April 11
Jonathan Clark
Brice Sillmon

April 18
Victoria Welker
Hannah Wisekal

April 25
Alex Marvin, Maddie Clark

April Ushers

Chuck Carrick, Dan Raper,
Jon Clark, Sonnie Simpson

Recent Worship Attendance

February 28: 209
March 7: 195
March 14: 162

April Worship Stewards

April 4 thru April 10
Betty Chambers

April 11 thru April 17
Bob Smith

April 18 thru April 24
Judy Milligan

April 25 thru May 1
Drenna Strickland

Church Staff

Business Manager	Shirley Jones
Lead Youth Counselor	Brittany Stephenson
Music Director	Matt Bowles
Weekday School Director	Debbie Robinson
Building & Landscape Maintenance	Dennis Englishman
Church Secretary	Donna Bataille

Volunteer Staff

Polly Bowman	Membership Secretary
Betty Causey	Financial Assistant
Volunteer Coordinator	Wanda Thies
Mailings Assistant	Louise Woods
Prayer Chain	Jo Lewis

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
9:00 am—4:00 pm
336 299-9643

Sunday Schedule

The Gathering
9:00 am

Sunday School

9:30 am

Worship

10:30 am

It's Happening Here!

Games for Dames and Gents

A benefit for Missions, Saturday, April 17, 2010, from 10:00 am until 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. There will be door prizes. Join us for a delightful two hours of card games or board games. Gather your own table of four players or



join new friends at their tables.

Tickets (\$10 each) will be sold through April 12. Contact Polly Bowman in the church office for more information.



Friendship Club

The Friendship Club meets Tuesday, April 13, in the Fellowship Hall. Come and play bridge at 10:00 am and stay for the program and a delicious meal at noon. Reservations can be made by calling Linda Miller at 299-5569 by Friday, April 9.

Where's Your Car Magnet?

People in the community are noticing our new car magnets! If you haven't gotten yours, see a member of the Witness Committee in the Narthex on Sunday. We want to see every car in the parking lot sporting the Centenary brand. Buy yours today...only \$5.00.

April Meetings

Church Council

April 11, 7:00 pm, Pittard Class

Stanley-Billings Fellowship Meets

April 12, 7:00 pm, Parlor

Swing-Jones, Daiber-Pruitt Fellowships

meet on Monday, April 19,

at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

UMM Breakfast

Sunday, April 11, 8:00 am

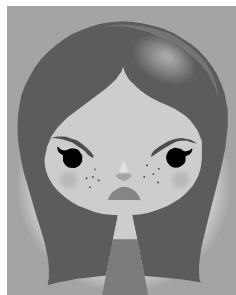
Easter Lily Orders

The deadline for ordering Easter Lilies is Sunday, March 28. If you would like to place a lily in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one, fill out the form that is in the Narthex and drop into the offering plate, or turn into the church office before the deadline. Lilies are \$17.50 this year.



Active Parenting of Teens

Parents of tweens and teens will learn skills for setting boundaries, effective communication, and problem solving. Armed with these new skills, parents are better prepared to raise cooperative and responsible teens.



Dates are Sundays, April 11, 18, 25, and May 2 & 16, 2010

5:00—6:30 pm

Centenary UMC

Cost: \$30/person, \$40/couple

Facilitator: Randy Wall, Parent Educator

Pre-register by calling 336 333-6890 x 221

www.FLCGSO.com



APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Good Friday	3
4 Easter 9 am Gathering 9:30 Sunday Sch. 10:30 Worship	5 10:30 am UMW Board	6 7:30 am Tuesday Morning Bible St. 6:30 pm Staff Parish Relations Committee	7 6:15 pm Handbells 6:30 pm Beth Moore Bible Study 7:15 Synago 7:15 Choir Practice	8	9	10
11 8 am UMM Breakfast 9 am Gathering 9:30 Sunday Sch. 10:30 Worship 5:00 Sparks/UMYF 5:00 pm Romans Bible Study 7 pm Church Council Mtg.	12 7 pm Stanley-Billings Fellowship	13 7:30 am Tuesday Morning Bible St.	14 6:15 pm Handbells 6:30 pm Beth Moore Bible Study 7:15 Synago 7:15 Choir Practice	15	16	17 9:00 am Games for Dames and Gents (FH)
18 9 am Gathering 9:30 Sunday Sch. 10:30 Worship 5:00 pm Sparks & UMYF 5:00 pm Romans Bible Study	19 2:00 pm Bloodmobile 10:00 am Daiber-Pruitt; Swing-Jones Fellowship	20 7:30 am Tuesday Morning Bible St.	21 6:15 pm Handbells 6:30 pm Beth Moore Bible Study 7:15 Synago 7:15 Choir Practice	22	23	24
25 9 am Gathering 9:30 Sunday Sch. 10:30 Worship 5:00 pm Sparks & UMYF 5:00 pm Romans Bible Study	26	27 7:30 am Tuesday Morning Bible St.	28 6:15 pm Handbells 6:30 pm Beth Moore Bible Study 7:15 Synago 7:15 Choir Practice	29	30	

Laura Gardner	1
Anna Bowman	2
Travis Gulley	3
Chuck Carrick	4
Anza Cole	5
Hunter Tilley	6
Emily Winchell	7
Marvin Baugh	8
Josh Kinard	8
Mary Williams	9
Alex Hurin	10
Carroll Lupton	10
Aaron Fletcher	12
Calvin Boles	15
Barbara Lucas	15
Howard Fulcher	16
Marjorie Lowe	16
Mozelle Steele	16
Nicholas Fabrizio	17



Steve Stanley	18
Xiola Peek	19
Beck Rodio	19
Parker Satore	20
Maddy Schlenklopper	20
Harold Scott	20
Barbara Blackman	23
George Cranford	24
John Liles	24
Linda Billings	26
Jane Debbage	26
Nathan John	26
Tami Jones	27
Linda Miller	27
Patsy Stamey	27
Kandee Rigney Williams	28
Christopher Scott	29
Jim Overbey	30
Debra Schlueter	30

Changing the World through Pantomime

Hi, my name is Diane Creamer, and I am a member of The New Centenary Players, and I am asking for your help. We are performing a drama in pantomime during this Lenten season called The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint Matthew. This production is part of a project I began as a result of an experience I had last summer.

(I will explain more about my project later on in this letter.) We will be a part of the worship service at Centenary on Palm Sunday next week. Our group hopes that everyone will be at worship to enjoy this amazing spiritual experience.

As many of you remember, The Centenary Players began performing this drama more than 20 years ago. As a small child, I remember being deeply moved each time I saw this performance. And ever since, I wanted to be a part of this storytelling. However, when The Centenary Players disbanded a few years ago, I was saddened because I wouldn't be able to fulfill my dream of participating in this special drama. But this year I had the opportunity of achieving multiple goals through the use of this drama. The first goal was that I would be a part of a group helping its audience re-live the passion of Holy Week. Before I describe my other goals, let me give you a little background.

This past summer I went on a mission trip to the Dominican Republic with a small group from Centenary United Methodist Church. One of our days there was spent in the bateys. A batey is the poorest part of the country where Haitian immigrants from several generations back come to the Dominican Republic to work in the sugar cane fields. The tragedy is that there is no clean water in the bateys. Therefore, they have to walk for miles to get clean water, spend the little money they have on bottled water, or run the risk of getting sick from drinking the contaminated water around them. Anyway, during our visit there, I witnessed the poverty inherent in these conditions. The hope for the future of Batey 7 is that it was the first of eighteen bateys to receive a water filtration system from World Water Relief. Only two other bateys have this blessing of clean water. It is now eight months later and I still cannot stop thinking about it, a place so impoverished, mainly because they have no drinkable water. So I decided to make it my goal to try and provide a water filtration system in another batey of the Dominican Republic.

World Water Relief organizes these projects, and with the help of other groups that recognize the need for clean water, they make it happen. However, the cost of these systems is \$7,000 each. This cost includes the filters so that the cost per gallon of water is just one penny. Once the system is in place, staff from the Evangelical Church of the Dominican Republic (Iglesia Evangélica Dominicana) is trained how to maintain the system. This is the church where I stayed during my visit to the Dominican. They are a church that is really changing the world.

This brings me to my other goals. Through this publication and others presented to promote The Passion Mime, I can raise awareness of the desperate need for clean water in areas of the world that have none. I can also provide you with the opportunity to help me raise money to purchase and install at least one of these water filtration systems. And so, there will be a special love offering collected during the service to help me meet this goal.

Thank you for your support. I cannot wait to see you next week!

God Bless, Diane Creamer



BAKE SALE

Centenary Confirmand, Margaret Ann Peterson and Mentor, Barbara Albright are holding a BAKE SALE on March 28, featuring pies, cakes, breads, cup cakes, brownies and more!

As one of Margaret Ann's Confirmand projects, she will donate all proceeds to the Cancer Society on search of a cure for cancer. Cancer affects all families and it takes all of us to help find a cure for this dreadful disease. Please visit and purchase goodies anytime between 9:00 am and 12:30 pm. Thank you, Centenary folks for your support.

Thank You

Thanks so much to Pastor Don and the church for their prayers, cards, calls and visits during my son, John's surgery. We were truly blessed. God bless you. Betty Pugh and John

Dear Centenary Family,

Thank you for the beautiful reception, the touching words, the reminiscing, and the generous gifts you have shared with me and my family. As I step down from my staff position working with the children and the youth, I am blessed to take away many wonderful memories, great experiences and the loving support of the congregation. I am looking forward to spending time with my family, doing some projects around the house that I haven't seemed to have the time to get to and most importantly spending time renewing my Spirit. Don't ever forget that we are all ministers called to serve however and wherever we can in this world. Step out of your comfort zone and allow God to use you. I am excited to see where God leads me next.

Blessing and Love,
Amy Wall

Shelving Units Needed

On the church's recent fire inspection, we were instructed to remove all items from the top shelves in our storage room as a fire hazard. Because of this we now have many items on the floor and work tables. We would like to have several new deep shelving units (like for a garage) so we can properly store these items. Thank you!



Urban Ministry Report

Since the beginning of 2010, Centenary has collected 719 lbs. of canned food for Urban Ministry. Since November 2009, We have given 6,812 lbs.

Keep up the good work, Centenary!



CWS Book Fair

Centenary Weekday School will hold the Scholastic Book Fair starting Sunday, March 21 after the Morning Worship Service and will run through Thursday, March 25 in the church Parlor. Go by before or after the Easter Egg Hunt and check this out! Proceeds from the book fair will go to purchase new books for CWS. Any questions, see Debbie Robinson.

Reminder:

Vanilla flavoring is sold in the church office @ \$3.00 for a 7 oz. bottle, by the United Methodist Women.



Meet the Children's Council

As Amy Wall steps away from her role directing the Children's Ministry, the following Children's Council has been created to continue all regular children's programming. To each member on the Council, thank you for your willingness to serve. To the church, please support these servants and the children.

Children's Coordinator:

Mark McPherson – communication between all areas of ministry and communication with the church

Nursery Coordinators:

Teressa Snider and Cathy Doyle – supervising Nursery worker, Nursery stewards and the room

Sunday School Coordinators:

Debbie Clark and Teressa Snider – coordinating teachers and curriculum

Sparks Team:

Caroline Howerton, Margaret Turnage, Andrea Wisekal, Caitlin Gault and Mark McPherson – Sunday night programming

Special Events:

Edie Marvin- Egg Hunt and Tekoa Fundraiser, Transportation to Camp Tekoa

Vacation Bible School: Co-Directors STILL NEEDED!!!

Vacation Bible School

It's Up to You to Make It Happen

Galactic Blast Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 19th – 22nd. We have several volunteers willing to help, but we must have a director or small committee able to lead and coordinate the program (curriculum and guide provided). Planning should begin ASAP in

order to ensure a successful VBS for all children. VBS is a valuable part of the church outreach. Contact Mark McPherson (Children's Coordinator) if you can help at 273-2673.



Take a look.....

....on the YOUTH SIDE !!!

30 Hour Famine

30 Hour Famine is fast approaching; we need chaperones and volunteers in order to make that weekend a success. If you are interested in helping, please contact Brittany Stephenson.

The youth have chosen the 2010 30 Hour Famine t-shirts. The shirts are \$9 each. Those youth who have signed up to receive a t-shirt need to bring their \$9 by Sunday March 28.

Youth have received their donation packets and are working on collecting money to help with 30 Hour Famine and world vision. Youth, do your best to collect as many donations as you can!!!

Don't Forget

There is still time to sign up to take the Active Parenting of Teens class. This class will take place at Centenary in the Providence classroom starting on April 11 at 5pm. This is a 5 week class which goes into how parents and their teens can learn communication skills, problem solving skills, etc. The class will be taught by Randy Wall. If you have any questions or concerns or if you would like to sign up, please contact Randy Wall or Brittany Stephenson.

Carolina Cross Connection second payment is due for participants. If you have not turned in your second payment, please get that in ASAP. If you have any questions contact Brittany Stephenson

Reading Connections

This Agency provides and advocates for free adult literacy services to promote life changes for Guilford County residents. They are looking for volunteers who are able to meet at least once a week for an hour and a half for at least six months with an adult student. There are training sessions in Greensboro and High Point.

Greensboro Training, March 22 & 24, 9:00 –12:00 pm
High Point March 23 & 25, 5:30-8:30 pm
Please call 336 230-2223 for more information.



Mark, and Caren McPherson
and daughter, Brooke

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Alex and Juli Hurin
and son, Robbie

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