



THE CENTENARIAN

Dear Centenary UMC Family and Friends,

Mark 13:28 states: “**28** “Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near”

The people of history recognized the changing of the seasons based upon the harvest of certain crops or fruits. Our current culture is a bit different. We have the constant commercials which let us know what the latest products are a must have to get us prepared for a particular season. Summer is approaching and advertisements for sunscreen, water toys for children, and grilling equipment for summer cookouts seem to be all the rage.

As United Methodist in the Western North Carolina Conference, we have a different gage related to the summer months, we have the Annual Conference at Lake Junaluska to remind us that the summer month of June has arrived.

This year the Annual Conference will take place from June 16th – 19th. It will be the first time which we will be able to convene in person, and to have Bishop Ken Carter presiding. The theme for this year is Connect, Imagine, Engage. I will be attending, along with Betty Durham who you elected at the Charge Conference as your Delegate.

I believe that there will be a lot of discussion regarding the business of the Annual Conference as well as the postponement of the United Methodist Church General Conference.

As your Pastor, I am trying to keep the leaders, as well as the congregation informed of the discussions leading up to the General Conference for fall of 2024. The United Methodist Churches are to wait until after the vote of the Conference on many items to then see the direction which the individual churches will choose to go. I feel that we must stay informed but not let that be our main focus. Our main focus is to be the church which knows Jesus, shares His love in service to the world, make disciples, and transform the world.

The United Methodist has a rich tradition, and I for one intend to stay true to this heritage which my family has been a part of for years. Recently Bishop Ken Carter wrote a wonderful article on why he loves The United Methodist Church. I want to share it with you here:

Our [doctrine of grace](#), which is not about our merit. We are on a journey to share this grace with a wider circle of people. We are not there yet. God has bid all humankind.

Our journey to holiness, being made [perfect in love](#). We love God because God first loved us. And we love our neighbor because we see the image of God in them.

Our connection for the purpose of mission. For example, right now this is [UMCOR in Ukraine](#) (war). A few months ago it was [Western Kentucky \(tornado\)](#). A few months before that it was Western North Carolina (flood). A few years ago it was Florida (hurricane).

Our work in discipleship, from [Upper Room](#) and Walk to Emmaus to Disciple Bible Study to Covenant Discipleship to Disciple's Path to The Bible Year to Fresh Expression

Our journey to inclusion, from [women in ministry](#) to the [black college fund](#) to becoming a global church to equitable compensation to struggling with our language about homosexuality. This is not a problem. This is the unfinished work of God in us.

Our [doctrinal standards](#), which have not changed and do not change, and [our theological task](#), which integrates our convictions about scripture with tradition, reason, and experience. I love that we are a church with sound doctrine, and I love that the theological task is to apply that doctrine to ever-changing human needs.

We are an imperfect church, the cross a reminder of our need for redemption, the flame a reminder of our hardened hearts in need of the warm fire of the Holy Spirit whose first fruit is love. We are an imperfect church because we are imperfect people—all have sinned. And we are better together, and no one is being asked to leave.

Grace. Holiness. Mission. Discipleship. Inclusion. Doctrinal Standards. Theological Task. Cross and Flame. Better Together.

#BeUMC

Bishop Ken Carter serves as the episcopal leader of the Western North Carolina and Florida Conferences of The United Methodist Church.

Please know that Betty and I will be in prayer for the Congregation of Centenary UMC when we are at Annual Conference, and we ask you to please pray for us. Please be in prayer for the entire United Methodist Church.

May God be with you as the Summer season begins. Please include study, worship, and service of Jesus Christ into your Summer plans.

Grace and Peace –

Rev. Charles Pensley will be the guest preacher on June 19th while

Rev. Groce is at WNC Annual Conference.

We always welcome him to our pulpit.

Picnic and Passages with the Pastor

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June 12th during our Worship Service we will celebrate our Graduates, as well as other graduates from our congregation. Please make sure to share their graduation info and along with a picture by June 7th.

Father's Day Honor/Memory

If you would like to honor a special man in you're your life , please donate to this special mission!

Centenary UMC Community Meals/Blessing Bag Donation Form

Community meals/Blessing Bag money will go to the Mission/Worship/Nurture Ministry to buy food for families in need and make Blessing Bags. You can make a donation in Honor /Memory of your father on Father's Day.

(Please Print)

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Please attach payment to this order form (cash or check payable to CUMC)
and place in the Secure Correspondence Box by the church office door
or mail your check to Centenary UMC, 2300 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27403

By June 12, 2022

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 Wolfe, a fall. Barbara

Grey (Teresa John's mother) for health issues. Margaret Turnage's sister-in-law, Gloria for health concerns. Sue Rosser (friend of Debbie Robinson) . Libby Boggs. 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. Irmgard Daiber, James Esterline. Debra Schlueter, surgery on June2,The families and victims of the school land community of Vvalde, Texas



Staff Parrish Announcement:

Mrs. Libby Boggs was instructed by her doctor to resign from her position at our church immediately due to health challenges. We thank Libby for her year of service and Pray God's blessings upon her.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who assisted the American Red Cross in the Blood Drive at CUMC on May 25th. Their time and hospitality were greatly appreciated.

Sunday School lessons during the summer will be videos of Dr. Mickey Efird's Bible Studies

Series. There will be several facilitators during the summer—Nina Stowe, David Grose, Suziy Swindell, Harold Billing and Carolyn Townsend.

- A) **June 5 and June 12**—How to get the greatest benefit from the Bible
- B) **June 19 and 26**—Job
- C) **July 3 and 10**—Ecclesiastes
- D) **July 17 and 24**—Jonah and Ruth
- E) **July 31 and August 7**—Esther
- F) **August 14, 21 and 28**—Rest of the Wisdom Literature

Prayer & Offering Support

Thank you for continuing to support the church with your pledges, tithes, and offerings! Mail your donation to: CUMC, 2300 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27403 Use your bank's bill pay feature and set-up payments through your account. Or, you may use our online giving platform, SubSplash. Directions for online giving can be found on our website

www.CentenaryUMCGreensboro.org. Use your credit card to make a one time donation, or set-up weekly or monthly giving.

July 10—Grasshoppers Game at 2:00 pm at the Grasshoppers ball park.

The Church has a sky box and tickets will be first come first serve. See Kelly or Libby for them. 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.



Camp Meetings for July and August!!

We are planning Meeting services for several Sundays this coming July and August!

We would love to know your favorite old-time hymns so we can include them for congregational singing that month.

Please call or email me with the names of your best-loved hymns: Phone 336-316-0363 or email atrumplerrich@triad.rr.com. Or you're welcome to fill out the form below and drop it in the collection plate during the next few weeks.

Thank you for your feedback! We look forward to hearing from you.
Anita Trumpler-Rich

My favorite hymns:

- (1) _____
- (2) _____

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Should a need arise, during office hours – Monday- Thursday – from 9-2 you may call the church office.



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In order to be good stewards of our limited space, in the Fellowship Hall. We will only be able to accept “gently used” current season clothes for men and women.

The first Sunday of each month is going to be UNDIE SUNDAY. Please bring black or white socks to be used by men or women and new packaged underwear for men or women, all sizes.

In May we could use women’s clothes in sizes 1X, 2X & 3X and men’s pants in sizes 35, 38, 40 & 42.

Call Caryn Hull if you have any questions, 336-402-2633.

See list of needed item for Men and women

Men’s

at least a dozen extra-large short sleeve small, short sleeve shirts so we could we can use a dozen.

at least a dozen medium short sleeve shirts

at least a dozen large, short sleeve shirts

at least a dozen 2x short sleeve shirts

at least dozen 3x short sleeve shirts pants

We need men’s shorts in all sizes

MENS PANTS

several 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 40, 42, 52

men’s underwear and socks

We need shoes

FOR WOMEN

underwear and socks

women athlete shoes. We need 1,2,3,4 X .

We need body wash, soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste.

We could use sheets and there has been a request for sleeping bags

Please bring to church before the day of breakfast so we can get them ready for breakfast.

Centenary Starlight Book Club

Centenary UMC Starlight Book Club Selections:

Meet at Lucky 32 at 6:30

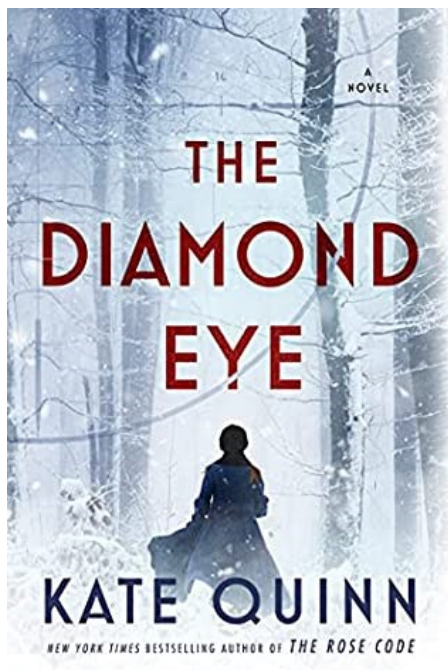
Thursday, August 18, 2022

The Diamond Eye by Kate Quinn

In 1937 in the snowbound city of Kiev (now known as Kyiv), wry and bookish history student Mila Pavlichenko organizes her life around her library job and her young son—but Hitler's invasion of Ukraine and Russia sends her on a different path. Given a rifle and sent to join the fight, Mila must forge herself from studious girl to deadly sniper—a lethal hunter of Nazis known as Lady Death. When news of her three hundredth kill makes her a national heroine, Mila finds herself torn from the bloody battlefields of the eastern front and sent to America on a goodwill tour.

Still reeling from war wounds and devastated by loss, Mila finds herself isolated and lonely in the glittering world of Washington, DC—until an unexpected friendship with First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and an even more unexpected connection with a silent fellow sniper offer the possibility of happiness. But when an old enemy from Mila's past joins forces with a deadly new foe lurking in the shadows, Lady Death finds herself battling her own demons and enemy bullets in the deadliest duel of her life.

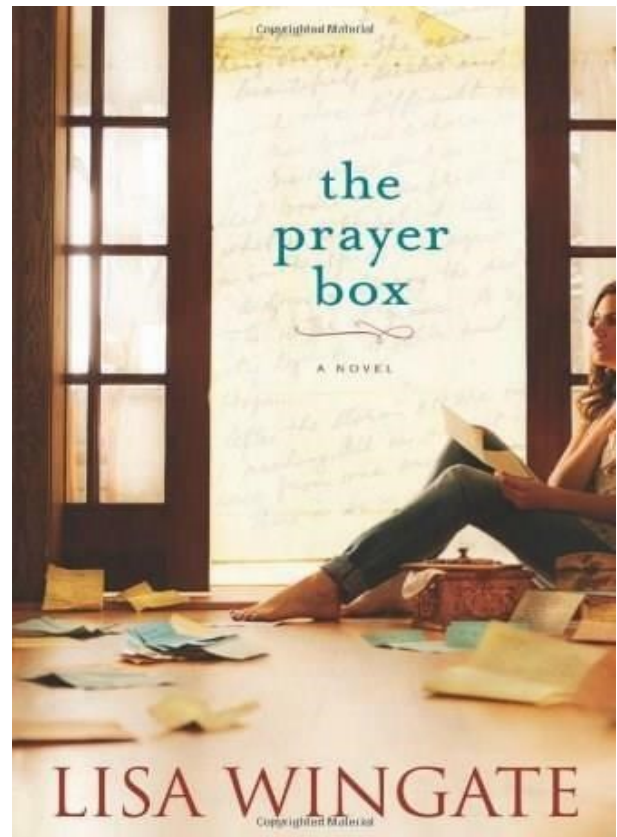
Based on a true story, *The Diamond Eye* is a haunting novel of heroism born of desperation, of a mother who became a soldier, of a woman who found her place in the world and changed the course of history forever



Thursday, September 15th,
The Prayer Box by Lisa Wingate

When Lola Anne Poole, an old-timer on Hatteras Island, passes away in her bed at ninety-one, the struggling young mother in her rental cottage, Tandi Jo Reese, finds herself charged with the task of cleaning out Lola's rambling Victorian house

Running from a messy, dangerous past, Tandi never expects to find more than a temporary hiding place within Lola's walls, but everything changes with the discovery of eighty-one carefully decorated prayer boxes, one for each year, spanning from Lola's youth to her last days. Hidden in the boxes is the story of a lifetime, written on random bits of paper—the hopes and wishes, fears and thoughts of an unassuming but complex woman passing through the seasons of an extraordinary, unsung life filled with journeys of faith, observations on love, and one final lesson that could change everything.



~ Meetings, Announcements & Clubs ~



Upcoming in June and July

- Western North Carolina Conference to be held at Lake Junaluska from June 15-19. You can go on the Conference Webpage at Wnccumc.org for information regarding the Annual Conference as well as the UMC postponed General Conference of 2024.
- Pentecost Sunday, June 5th. We will have a Birthday Celebration for the Church and all congregants by sharing a meal and having birthday cake immediately following the service. Immediately following the lunch, we will have a Sole to Soul Mission day by making Blessing bags and Blankets for Pathways.
- June 18th, Community Breakfast and Clothes Closet
- July and August Worship Services will be Camp Meeting style, casual dress. Whit A Christmas in July on the 17th. July 10th
- July 10th—Centenary goes to a Grasshoppers ball game.

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June Birthdays

3 rd	Lindy Hutchinson
4 TH	Lauren Skenes
5 th	E, Jean Brincefield
5 th	Brian Ludlow
5 th	Suzy Swindell
6 th	Tyler Hunt
8 th	Phoebe Swing
10 th	Becky Bettini
11 th	Jim Singleton
12 th	Betty Pleasants
12 th	Jon Clark
16 th	Duilla Hawkins
17 th	Andreas Daiber
24 th	Lenora Reece
26 th	Andrea Priddy
27 TH	Jean Farabee
28 th	Diane Stanley
29 th	Helen Jackson-Adams
29 th	Aaron Snider

Picnic and Passages with the Pastor

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CLASSIC LITERATURE WORD SEARCH PUZZLE



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|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| A TALE OF TWO CITIES | ETHAN FROME | LITTLE WOMEN | THE ODYSSEY |
| ANNA KARENINA | GREAT EXPECTATIONS | MOBY DICK | THE SCARLET LETTER |
| CYRANO DE BERGERAC | HUCKLEBERRY FINN | OLIVER TWIST | TREASURE ISLAND |
| DAVID COPPERFIELD | IVANHOE | ROBINSON CRUSOE | WHITE FANG |
| DON QUIXOTE | JANE EYRE | SILAS MARNER | WUTHERING HEIGHTS |

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1970'S TV WORD SEARCH PUZZLE



ALL IN THE FAMILY
BARNEY MILLER
BIONIC WOMAN
BONANZA
BRADY BUNCH

CHARLIE ANGELS
EMERGENCY
FANTASY ISLAND
GOOD TIMES
GUNSMOKE

HAPPY DAYS
HOGAN'S HEROES
LAND OF THE LOST
NIGHT GALLERY
POLICE WOMAN

ROCKFORD FILES
THE JEFFERSONS
THE ODD COUPLE
THE WALTONS
THREES COMPANY

Financial Update

Year-to-Date Giving/Expenses—Ending 5/31/2022

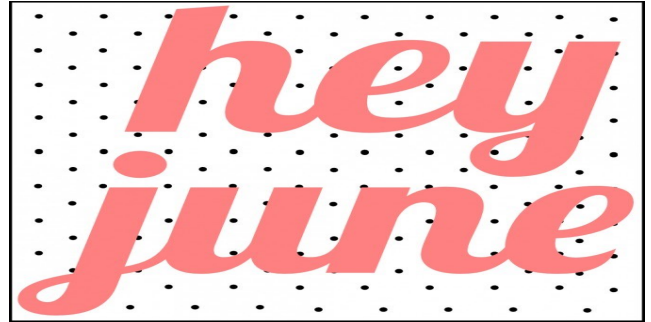
Revenues \$ 126,276.00
 Expenses \$ 178,268.00
 Profit or (Loss) for 3 months (\$51,992.00)

Meetings-

NA-Narcotic Anonymous every Wednesday at 8:00pm and every Sunday at 1:00pm Fellowship Hall
 AI-Anon-every Friday at 8:00pm in the Conference Room
 Compassionate Friends First Monday of each month at 7:00pm room 110

Sunday Morning Worship

10:00 am Sunday School Fellowship Hall
 11:00 am Worship Service



June 2022

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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5 Pentecost Birthday Party Sole to Sole	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Graduation Sunday	13 Picnic and Passage with the Pastor at 6pm	14	15 Annual Conference Kelley out of the office	16 Annual Conference Kelley out of the office	17 Annual Conference Kelley out of the office	18 Community Breakfast Annual Conference
19 Annual Conference Kelley out of the office	20 Kelley on vacation	21 Kelley on vacation	22 Kelley on vacation	23 Kelley on vacation	24 Kelley on vacation	25
26	27	28 Picnic and Passage with the Pastor at noon	29	30		

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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.



Gifts for the Budget: May 1—May 31, 2022,

In Memory of Lewis Gibbs

Jack Cole

In Memory of Sally Goin

Gregory Goin

In Memory of Lois Schlueter

Paul & Dawn Long

Jimmy & Diane Stanley

Jim & Brenda Wilson

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