

FOR BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED THROUGH FAITH. AND THIS IS NOT YOUR OWN DOING; IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD. – EPHESIANS 2:8 –



Centenary United Methodist Church

2300 W. Friendly Avenue. Greensboro, NC 27403 July 21, 2024

9th Sunday of Pentecost

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

Let There be Peace

Miller/Jackson

Announcements for Missions and Ministry

Choral Call to Worship

Make Us One

Call to worship:

L: Welcome to worship this morning.

P: Even though it is summertime, our lives are crowded and rushed.

L: Come into this time of peace and quiet.

P: We need to rest in God's word.

L: God's love is with you. God will give you rest and refresh your souls.

P: Thanks be to God for this "break-away" time. AMEN.

L: Let us pray together:

Lord, we gather here this morning with lives that are filled with activity and movement. We rush from one thing to another as though we are going to run out of time to accomplish everything. Help us to let go of the hectic times and the stresses and find our rest in you. Relax our spirits and refresh our souls. Remind us that there will always be things to do and places to go, but that we need the rest of spirit that you provide. AMEN.

†Hymn	The Church's One Foundation	UMH 545

Joys and Concerns of 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	Make Me a Channel of Your Peace	Sebastian Temple Choir	
Scripture:	Ephesians 2:11-22 NRSVue		
Sermon:	"He is Our Peace."	Rev. Angela Roberson	
†Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed	UMH 881	
†Gloria Patri			
⁺Hymn	Christ is the World's Light	UMH 188	

We Worship with God's Tithes and Our Offerings

†Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit and silence you cell phones†				
†Postlude	Postlude in C	Rinck		
†Benediction				
† Hymn	I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord	UMH 540		
†Doxology				

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.

Kristy Stout-health issues. Win Johnson-vision issues (Jeanne Batten's brother). Lin Johnson-Alzheimer's and needs daily care. (Jeanne's sister-in-law and Lin's wife). Doris Pruitt- hip surgery- recovering at Whitestone. Shari Saunders-foot injury. John Pugh for continued healing. Andy McFarland-health issues (Milton McFarland's brother). Andrew Gibbons-heart issues (Harold Billings nephew). Michael Santowaso-cancer (Becky's husband, David Sillmon's sonin-law). Dave Hull. Pray for our church that we may be guarded in our conversations during this time of transition. Ann Hennings. Joann Martin. Carol & Bobby Burklin. Margaret & Patrick Miller. Martha Nell Rives. Gretchen Crabtree. Dave & Barbara Blackman. Susan Carrick. Sheridian Wacker. Lee & Jane Norman. Scott Stanley. Al & Lori Eaton. Peggy Harris. Diane & Jim Stanley. Aly Saunders. Hazel Perritt, Pat Glover. Joy Ellison (Suzy Swindell's Friend). Isaiah Elms infant with a hole in his heart. (David, Kelley's great nephew and Meredith's cousin) Cam Boyd brain tumor (Kelley's brother-in-law's father). The family of Shelia Ammons who passed away on July 18th (friend of Betty Durham).

Birthdays in July – 1st Paul Jones. 4th Steve Hennings. 9th David Blackman, Hazel Perrit 10th Sara Jones, Emily Wagoner. 11th Rives Dueterman. 14th Jim John 15th Joann Martin. 16th Leith Singletary. 23rd Barbara Albright. 24th Fran Williams. 28th Bonnie Bradham. 31st Thomas Liles.

July 29- 5pm to 7pm – Sanctuary – Committee meeting with Cone Hospital. All are welcome.

Angela and her family are recent transplants to North Carolina from South Louisiana. She has an undergraduate degree from Nicholls State University (BA in Literary Studies), will complete her Master of Divinity from Southern Methodist University this summer, and is currently a certified candidate for ordained ministry in the United Methodist Church. She currently serves on staff at West Market Street UMC as the Connection & Engagement Coordinator.

Angela is passionate about reaching new people, church revitalization, and creating meaningful worship spaces in the church. She loves chasing new ideas and getting creative to help connect people both inside and outside of the faith community. She has served in family ministry, pastoral ministry, and planted a vibrant church plant in South Louisiana before relocating to Greensboro.

When not reading, writing, making spreadsheets, and connecting people to community, you can find Angela at home with her family. She and her husband, Zac, just celebrated 20 years of marriage and they share two children: Koen (20) and Shae (16); they also have two pets, Fitz (dog) and Percy (kitten). Together they love to listen to music, cook big meals, play board games, travel, hike, and camp.