



Christ's Love

Welcome New Friends! We are glad we can worship God together this morning. Let our church family embrace yours! When you are ready to make Centenary your new church home, please speak with either of our ministers or indicate your desire on the visitor information card.

Please visit our webpage (centenarychurch.com) to watch the 9:00 & 11:00 services live. All services (8:30, 9:00, and 11:00) are archived on our website and our YouTube channel.



Centenary is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

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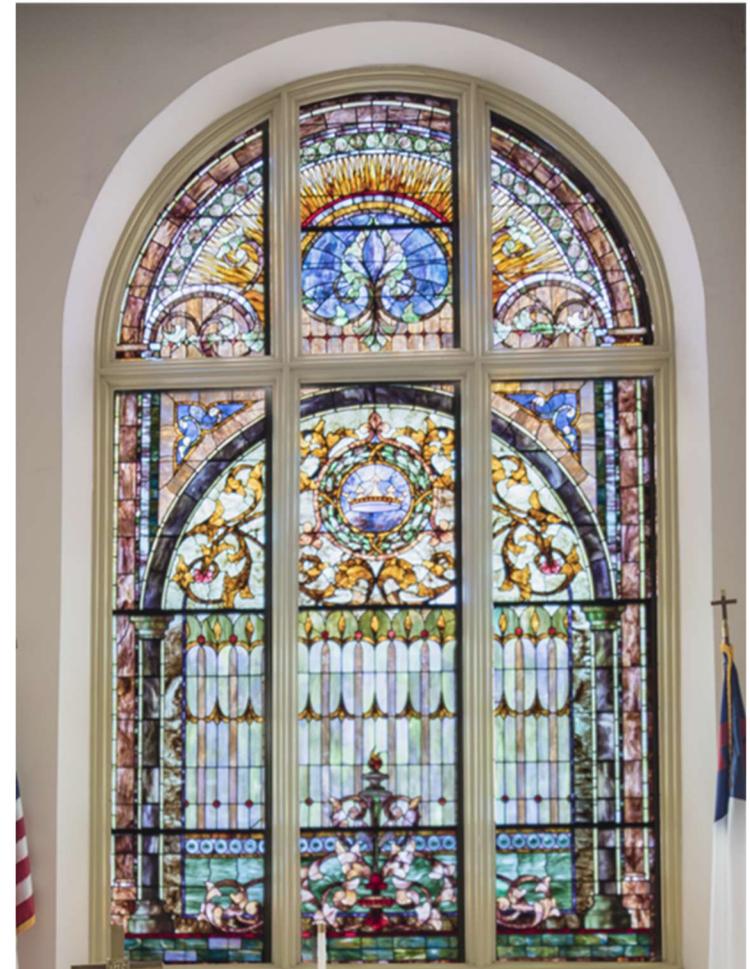
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United Methodist Church



Corner of Middle & New Streets

New Bern, North Carolina

March 15, 2026

8:30 a.m.

Order of Morning Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2026

8:30 a.m.

Gathering to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* – Cumow
David Briley – Trumpet, Paul Saik - Piano

*Opening Prayer (Adapted from the 1944 BOW)

**Almighty God,
you have led us from the busyness of this age
into the quietness of your house.
Grant us grace to worship you in spirit and in truth,
and enable us to do more perfectly the work
to which you have called us.
So may we worship you not only with our lips in this hour,
but in word and deed all the days of our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Hymn *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*, #420

Receiving God's Word

First Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14

Second Reading Romans 8:6-11

This is the word of God for us the people of God:

Thanks be to God!

*The Gloria Patri #70

Sermon Carol Grantham

Responding to God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith: *A Modern Affirmation*#885

Hymn Sing

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Offertory *And Can It Be?* - Forrest
Chapel Choir

*Doxology #95

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Going Forth to Serve

*Hymn *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*, (TFWS)#2158

*Benediction

Postlude *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought* – arr. Saik
Paul Saik

(*) Indicates please stand as you are able.

Words printed in **bold** are to be prayed or read in **unison**.

Please return all hymnals, songbooks, and Bibles to their holder
on the back of the pew before you leave:

2 hymnals, 2 songbooks, and 1 Bible per section.

Some Messages from the Bible

When in sorrow, read John 14.

When people fail you, read Psalm 27.

When you worry, read Matthew 6:19-34.

When you are in danger, read Psalm 91.

When you have the blues, read Psalm 34.

When God seems far away, read Psalm 139.

If you are discouraged, read Isaiah 40.

If you are lonely or fearful, read Psalm 23.

If you need courage, read Joshua 1.

If the world seems bigger than God, read Psalm 90.

If you want rest and peace, read Matthew 11:25-30.

If you get bitter or critical, read 1 Corinthians 13.