



Corner of Middle & New Streets New Bern, North Carolina

May 19, 2024 11:00 a.m.

Pentecost Sunday Confirmation Sunday

May 19, 2024

11:00 a.m.

Gathering to Worship

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing – Raney Paul Saik

* Call to Worship

Come, Holy Spirit, come:

We are ready and waiting.

Come, Holy Spirit, come:

We yearn for your presence and power.

Come, Holy Spirit, come:

Bring your gifts and your guidance.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

* Opening Hymn

The Church's One Foundation, #545

Sacrament of Baptism

Introduction

Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

Presentation of Candidates

Candidates for Baptism: Hunter Boyd, Alice Jones

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Eternal Father, when nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light.

In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.

When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb.

He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

Pour out your Holy Spirit,

to bless this gift of water and those who receive it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their lives, that, dying and being raised with Christ, they may share in his final victory.

All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen.

Baptism With Laying On Of Hands

Name(s), I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sisters and brothers in Christ.

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.

Time With Young Disciples

Anthem

The Blessing is You – Burrows Centenary Sanctuary Choir

Receiving God's Word

First Reading

Second Reading

* The Gloria Patri

Sermon

Joel 2:28-32

Acts 2:1-21

#71

Tyler Moore

Responding to God's Word

* Hymn of Response

Spirit of God, #2117 (TFWS)

Confirmation & Reception of New Members

Introduction

Brothers and sisters in Christ, through confirmation, we are invited to respond to the grace of God available to us, acknowledged in our baptism, and promise to live a life of faith in Christ Jesus.

Presentation of Candidates

Candidates for Confirmation:

Hunter Boyd, Isla Davis, Peyton Doucette, Rissa Duckworth, Meaghan Insetta, Alice Jones, Emily Rademacher, Claire Scott, Silas Seymour, Adam Spitzer, Carlin Spitzer.

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

To the Candidates:

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

l do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

l do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

l do.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?

l will.

To the Whole Congregation:

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God's help we will.

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments:

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

Confirmation

Name(s), the Holy Spirit work within you, that having been born through water and the Spirit, you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Reception into the United Methodist Church

To the Candidates:

As members of Christ's universal Church, will you be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

l will.

Reception into the Local Congregation

To the Candidates:

As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness?

I will.

Commendation and Welcome

To the Whole Congregation:

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. Thanks be to God!

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Covenant Prayer – Locklear Centenary Praise Ensemble * Doxology

* Passing of the Peace

Going Forth to Serve

* Closing Hymn

Go to the World

- 1. Go to the World! Go into all the earth. Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth, Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia. Alleluia.
- 2. Go to the world! Go into every place. Go live the Word of God's redeeming grace. Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia. Alleluia.
- 3. Go to the World! Go struggle, bless, and pray; the nights of tears give way to joyous day. As servant Church, you follow Christ's own way. Alleluia. Alleluia.
- 4. Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you 'til the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!" Alleluia. Alleluia.

Worship & Song 3158 WORDS: Sylvia G. Dunstan, © 1991 GIA Publications, Inc. MUSIC (SINE NOMINE 10 10 10 with Alleluias): Ralph Vaughan Williams

- * Benediction
- * Chiming of the Trinity

Postlude

Glorify Thy Name – Hamlin Paul Saik

(*) Indicates please stand as you are able. Words printed in **bold** are to be prayed or read in unison.

> Please join us in the fellowship hall immediately following today's worship service for a luncheon honoring our confirmands and new members!

EXPERIENCE GROW IN SHARE

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 pew registration pad.

All 3 services (8:30, 9:00, 11:00) are streamed on Facebook live (Centenary United Methodist Church) and on our webpage (centenarychurch.com). The services will also be posted on YouTube (Centenary UMC New Bern NC) later on Sunday afternoon.

Centenary's 11:00 AM worship service is broadcast each Sunday on radio station WNBB, 97.9 FM. Please worship with us on the radio.



Centenary is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

Scan to make an online offering:



Our Staff:

Lead Pastor	The Rev. Vann Spivey
Associate Pastors	The Rev. Tyler Moore
	The Rev Carol Grantham
Pastors Emeriti	The Rev. David Brosnan
	The Rev. Bill Sherman
Director of Music Ministries	Paul Saik
Director of Children's Music Ministries	Dora Bullock
Music Associate – Xperience Service	Patrick Riddick
Director of Children's Ministries	Sarah Risty-Davis

Contact:

Telephone: (252) 637-4181 P.O. Box 1388 New Bern, NC 28563 Email: centenaryumc@centenarychurch.com Website: centenarychurch.com