

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Fresh brewed coffee is available in the kitchenette beginning at 9:30am on Sundays.

Sunday, Aug 03  
9:00am Adult Sunday School  
10:00am One Blended Service  
7:00pm Service Rebroadcast  
Usher/Greeter: 10am Wes & Larry Nider  
Liturgist: 10am Bonnie Bartlett  
Coffee Hosts: 11am Nancy & Brad Fritz  
Counter: Dale Kruse & TV/Audio

Communion Sunday  
Conference Room ~ Dan Rooks: teacher  
Sanctuary  
Spectrum 181

Monday, Aug 04  
6:15pm Handbell Choir  
7:00pm Scout meeting

Office Help - Sondra S//Nancy F  
Classroom – We are back and ringing!  
Dining Room

Tuesday, Aug 05  
4:00pm Great Nite Out

Charles Park - Bring the family! .

Wednesday, Aug 06  
Noon Bulletin,Website,and Facebook Deadline  
6:00pm Grace Notes Rehearsal Sanctuary

Thursday, Aug 07  
6:30am Men’s Bible Study  
10:00am Women’s Bible Study  
4:00pm Farmer’s Market  
6:00pm UWF Salad Supper

Conference Room  
Dining Room  
CUMC Parking Lot  
Dining Room

Friday, Aug 08  
Saturday, Aug 09  
No meetings

Sunday, Aug 10  
9:00am Adult Sunday School  
10:00am One Blended Service  
7:00pm Service Rebroadcast  
Usher/Greeter: 10am Tom & Tracey Bardsley  
Liturgist: 10am Linda McCall  
Coffee Hosts: 11am Tom & Tracey Bardsley  
Counter: Kay McKinzie & Garden

Baptism  
Conference Room ~ Dan Rooks: teacher  
Sanctuary  
Spectrum 181

PRAYER CENTER: Bob & Colleen McClelland, Alan Streeter, Janet Parde, Sharon Bellamy, Wayne & Jan Price, Kay Hicks, Betty Deats, Dean & Marilyn Marples, Charles Higgins, Dale Marr, James Hicks, Ken Greenwood, Linda Husa, Karen Probst, Duane Smith, Judy Dettmer, Lois Moore, and Virginia Laflin.

Exploration and Discovery Committee: Our society and culture is changing, and churches need to adapt to these changing needs. Volunteer to be a part of this committee to learn what other churches in our district are doing with young families, youth, and young adults. Our committees are organized and ready to begin! If you want to help, contact the pastor, Ruth Stephens or Kay McKinzie. A sign-up sheet is on the table outside the church office.

Centenary United Methodist Church

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“And now these three remain: faith, hope and love  
But the greatest of these is love”



REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

“<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. <sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story— those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, <sup>3</sup>those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south. <sup>4</sup>Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle. <sup>5</sup>They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away. <sup>6</sup>Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. <sup>7</sup>He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle. <sup>8</sup>Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, <sup>9</sup>for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. <sup>10</sup>Some sat in darkness, in utter darkness, prisoners suffering in iron chains, <sup>11</sup>because they rebelled against God’s commands and despised the plans of the Most High. <sup>12</sup>So he subjected them to bitter labor; they stumbled, and there was no one to help. <sup>13</sup>Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress.” (Psalm 107:1-13).

**Centenary United Methodist Church**  
Our Mission: “Love God, Serve Others”  
**August 03, 2025;** Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Liturgical Color; Green, **Blended; 10:00 am**  
*\*If you are comfortable, please stand. **Bold** - Join in response, \*\*The Faith We Sing*

**GATHERING AND REFRESHMENTS**    The Heavenly Banquet Medley

**INTROIT** *(in response)*  
Now we are together, seeking reconciliation with you, O Lord and one another.  
**We call on your steadfast love, O Lord. AMEN.**

**GREETINGS//ANNOUNCEMENTS//INFORMAL CONVERSATION//JOYS & CONCERNS**

**\*OPENING HYMN**    Now Thank We All Our God    **102**

**\*SILENT PRAYER/TIME OF PRAYER**

**\*THE LORD’S PRAYER** *(unison)*

**\*OPENING PRAYER** *(unison)*  
**Faithful God, you care for our needs. When we seek you, you make yourself known to us. When we knock at heaven’s door, you open your heart to us. When we ask, you give us the gift of your Holy Spirit. From your hand we receive our daily bread, AMEN.**

**\*PASSING OF PEACE**

**\*PRAYER RESPONSE**    Blest Be the Tie That Binds    **557**

**OFFERTORY**    Fairest Lord Jesus  
**\*DOXOLOGY** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow *(Sung to the tune of 95)*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**    Bonnie Bartlett

**PREPARATORY PRAISE SONG**    Come to the Table    **\*\*2264**

**SCRIPTURE**    Bonnie Bartlett  
First Lesson            Hosea 11:1-11  
Second Lesson        Colossians 3:1-10

**\*GOSPEL READING**        Luke 12:13-21

**SERMON**    “Accepting Reality”

**THE EUCHARIST**    **13**

**\*CLOSING PRAISE SONG**    Wonder of Wonders    **\*\*2247**

**\*BENEDICTION**  
**\*HYMN**    God Be with You till We Meet Again    **672**    (no refrain)

**POSTLUDE**    I’ve Got Peace Like a River

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**    *The altar flowers are given today by Duane & Deb Smith for everyone to enjoy!*  
Remember to **sign the weekly attendance** sheet located at the end of each pew. Please provide a contact phone number if you are visiting. If you are viewing on the Spectrum channel 181, let the church office know.

**We Collect...**

- [www.beatricemethodist.org](http://www.beatricemethodist.org) to access E-giving for your donations.
- **July Food Pantry Items:** Cereal, pudding/jello mix, pop tarts, vegetable oil, coffee, sugar, tea bags, shampoo, bar soap .. and always TP.
- **July Epworth Items:** Bug spray, sunscreen and bottled water.
- Don’t Forget! Recycling aluminum pop can tabs supports the Ronald McDonald House in Omaha. They also accept tabs from canned soups//vegetables. We collect here at church.



**Have You Noticed:** Focusing on the things of God does not mean ignoring and neglecting the things that make us weary, stressed, and anxious. We need to acknowledge what we carry and then turn to God, who holds our burdens with us and whose love is higher and greater than anything that tells us otherwise. Think of it like putting on a pair of glasses. When the world presents us with all kinds of stress to prioritize, grace puts on glasses that helps us keep everything else in perspective to God who loves us, cares for us, and guides us toward salvation and abundant life.

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Look for fall Sunday school classes and youth group activities to begin mid August as we meet again.

The audio room would love to have a volunteer on the 2nd and 4th Sunday to operate the soundboard. A few minutes training to show you the controls and you can do it! Let them know if you can help!

Epworth Family Resources thanks all of you! With your cash donations and smart shopping we surpassed our goal of 50 and collected 62 backpacks. Thank You CUMC for all donations!

The ballot to vote for the one service only @ 10:00 AM is included in the bulletin today and also Aug 10 and 17th. If you are unable to be in church you may vote by calling the church office at 402.223.3424. or email [centenaryumc29@gmail.com](mailto:centenaryumc29@gmail.com). Ballot collection box on the Narthex table.

Thursday **Farmers Market** features a diverse mix of local farmers, bakers, and crafters offering fresh vegetables, fruits, herbs, eggs, meat, honey, baked goods, jams, flowers, plants, woodworking, and handmade crafts. August 7: National Farmers Market Week!

Ice Cream Challenge 🍦 begins today! Aug 01-31, 2025. Our goal is to reach \$30K.

Our ONE committee will sponsor a booth with games and prizes! We invite you and your family to join us at Charles Park on Tuesday, August 5th, from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. for **National Night Out**, a nationwide event designed to strengthen police-community partnerships. This exciting evening is packed with activities for all ages. An excellent opportunity to connect with your neighbors. Meet and greet with Beatrice Police officers and community leaders .

The UWF will host an evening salad supper @ 6pm on Thursday Aug. 07. Speaker- Barbara Jo Burns will entertain you with SPOONS! Bring a spoon! RSVP by Aug 5 @ [centenaryumc29@gmail.com](mailto:centenaryumc29@gmail.com).or 402.223.3424. We will have a box for collecting individual snacks for Youth to Youth.