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Centenary Youth Ministry



THIS SUNDAY December 14th

YOUTH MINISTRY IN THE MORNING:

9:00am Worship
(@Memorial Auditorium)
10:00am ALL youth Sunday school
(@Youth Commons)
10:00am CAYR class (@Sr high rm)
10:00am Pathfinders class (@ rm 307)
11:00am In-person (@Sanctuary)
& livestream Worship
(via our **YouTube channel**)

YOUTH GROUP IN THE AFTERNOON:

5:00pm A Service of Lessons and Carols

Join our church family for this beautiful telling of the
birth of our Savior
6:30pm-8:00pm
Annual Youth Christmas Party

Join us on the 4th floor for dinner, some friendly

competition, and our ornament exchange.

We ask that everyone bring a wrapped ornament.

You won't want to miss out on this beloved tradition.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

December 13th: Niner! Niner! Goes to

Ifly **RSVP**

December 28th: Youth Alumni Basketball Tourney! *RSVP*

January 7th: Confirmation begins!
January 8th: Shepherd Orientation
January 11th: Confirmation Bible

Sunday & LTN

January 23rd: Sixers! Goes to the

Movies **RSVP**

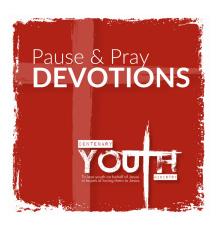
January 30th-31st: Confirmation

Retreat at Camp Hanes

February 22nd:Love Thy Neighbor 20th Anniversary Dinner, Auction, and Paddle

Raise





PAUSE & PRAY

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

—John 3:17

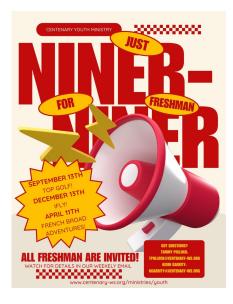
Thoughts on Today's Verse:

God sent Jesus to save the world. God is not the mean ol' Scrooge in the sky, critically looking down on his flawed children, waiting to condemn them for their mess-ups. Instead, our Father in heaven saw how broken, flawed, and messed up we were, and he entered our world in Jesus to save it and save us from ourselves. God's purpose in sending Jesus was to give us lasting life, eternal salvation, and out of that grows our earthly mission — to join God in saving the lost world.

My Prayer:

O heavenly Father, deliver us from the sin that entangles our actions and pollutes our hearts. Create in each of us a clean heart and renew a right spirit in us through your sanctifying Holy Spirit. Please, awaken us to our salvation so that we don't keep it to ourselves, but share it with those who desperately need it. Thank you for your forgiveness, grace, and salvation. In Jesus' name, we pray with thankfulness and a renewed sense of our purpose. Amen.

IMPORTANT THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW!



DECEMBER NINER-NINER!

9th graders! Take a leap of faith with your fellow freshman at iFLY Indoor Skydiving. Join us for a free-falling good time of faith, friendship, and of course, food!

Meet us at the 4 & 1/2 Street entrance at 2:15 pm. We will depart at 2:30. The bus ride to iFLY Charlotte is approximately one hour and our reservation lasts until 6:30. We should return to the church by 8:00 pm. If you have any questions about what the experience will be like, the *iFLY website* has some helpful information to prepare for the trip.

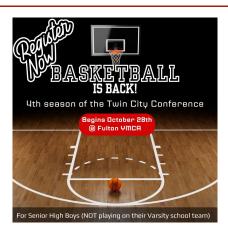
Freshman are welcome to bring other 9th grade friends, but please register them ahead of time. Lastly, please be sure to bring a signed copy of the **CUMC Youth Ministry Permission Form** AND a completed **iFLY Waiver**.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact *Kevin Garrity*, Assistant Director of Youth Ministry.

2025-2026 TWIN CITY CONFERENCE!

Twin City Conference is a unique basketball league that exists in partnership with our friends at Winston-Salem Street School, along with our friends at St. Paul's Episcopal, First Presbyterian, Greek Orthodox, and Ardmore Baptist.

Senior High boys (9th-12th grade)*who are NOT on their school's varsity basketball team* are invited to play



for Centenary's basketball team... and yes, friends are welcome too! The cost to join the league is \$50. You MUST be registered to play and have a liability release form on file.

All games are played at the Fulton YMCA on Tuesday evenings, through late January--either from 6pm-7pm, 7pm-8 pm, or 8pm-9pm. Bye weeks occur on the Tuesday's during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Eve weeks. *REGISTER HERE!*

2025/2026SEASONSCHEDULE



Date	6:00 pm	7:00 pm	8:00 pm
0/28/25	Cent.vsStreetSchool	Ardmore vs St. Paul's	1stPres. vs Greek Orthodox
1/4/25	1stPres.vsSt.Paul's	StreetSchool vs Greek Orthodox	Cent. vs Ardmore
1/11/25	ArdmorevsStreetSchool	Cent. vs 1st Pres.	St.Paul's vs Greek Orthodox
1/18/25	Cent.vsGreekOrthodox	St.Paul's vs Street School	1st Pres. vs Ardmore
1/25/25	1stPres.vsStreetSchool	GreekOrthodox vs Ardmore	Cent. vs St. Paul's
2/2/25	ArdmorevsCent.	St.Paul's vs 1st Pres.	StreetSchool vs Greek Orthodox
2/9/25	1stPres.vsGreekOrthodox	Cent.vs Street School	Ardmore vs St. Paul's
2/16/25	StreetSchoolvsSt. Paul's	1stPres. vs Ardmore	Greek Orthodox vs Cent.
1/6/26	GreekOrthodoxvsArdmore	Cent. vs St. Paul's	Street School vs 1st Pres.
/13/26	Cent.vs1stPres.	Ardmore vs Street School	St.Paul's vs Greek Orthodox
/20/26	ConferenceTournament	Format TBD	6:00pm / 7:00 pm / 8:00 pm

^{*} All games take place at the Fulton Family YMCA - Hanes Mill Road



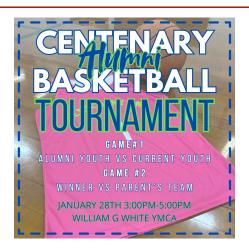








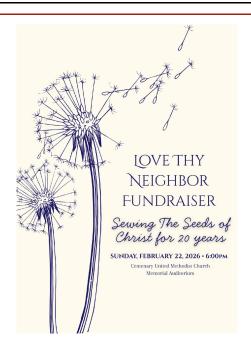




To cap off another exciting Twin City League basketball season, we are hosting our

2nd Annual Centenary Basketball Tournament

If you are a member or an Alumni of our Twin City team or Hoops4Him teams, if you like basketball, or if you just want to play some pick-up, then come out for what is sure to be a fun afternoon of church-ball. We will spend afternoon the 3:00pm-5:00pm at the William G White YMCA. Both girls and boys are welcome and we hope for a gaggle of parents to take on the winning team. Afterwards will head over to



SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR 20TH ANNUAL LOVE THY NEIGHBOR FUNDRAISER SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026 6:00PM

Please plan to join us for this historic moment as we celebrate 20 years of Love Thy Neighbor! A ministry that has literally changed the lives of thousands of people over the years. Come hear the story, meet the people who led this ministry, share an amazing meal, and donate to support the continuation of this

Mayberry's for dinner, dessert, and to break down all the plays! With questions, contact Kevin **Garrity**. To register, **REGISTER** HERE!

incredible ministry that authentically lives out loving God and loving neighbor. You won't want to miss it!

2025-2026 **READ ALONG WITH US**

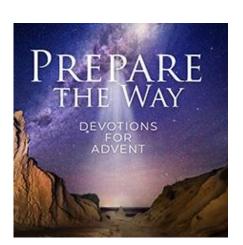


Centenary's Youth Ministry and Shining Light on Mental Health invite you to join us 2025-2026 school year as we encourage both our parents AND our youth to read together these very important books. We believe these four books will help us truly listen and understand each other better and more authentically. As Jesus followers, we are called to 'accompany' one another in faith and in life with the hope that we might surround one another with a community of love and forgiveness and grow in our trust of God. At the conclusion of each quarter, we will gather for 'coffee and conversation' about

the previous quarter's reading.

Books may be purchased on Amazon or at any of our local bookstores.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS



During the season of Advent, we will be offering devotions based upon the sermon of the week. Daily, there will be a reflection, Scripture reference, focus question, quote and a prayer. This digital-only product, will be delivered each Sunday evening, through an email right to your inbox!

As we "Prepare the Way" for the birth of Christ, join us and go deeper in your faith journey as we anticipate the birth of Christ. Sign up here!

DON'T MISS THIS!



2026 CONFIRMATION

January 7th - May 17th, 2026

6:00pm-7:30pm • Wednesdays

Confirmation, by definition, is faith formation. Forming one's faith is an ongoing journey throughout life...however, hope is that through our Confirmation process, you will be given the opportunity, tools, support, and inspiration you will need to build your faith on a firm foundation (Matthew 7:24-25). We, as Christians, are called to live a life that is different than that of the world, built on the foundation of what we know about God, and who He created us to be. What better way to prepare our young people to live out their faith in this world than to help them realize that our faith is tangible! Check out all the details here! You can **REGISTER HERE!** Please contact Tammy Pollock with any questions you may have.

(tpollock@centenary-ws.org).

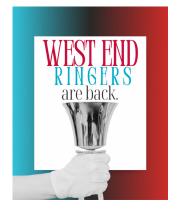


ACROSS THE TABLE with Tammy & Kevin

Did you know your youth ministers have a podcast? We launched it earlier this fall and want to invite you to listen.

Welcome to "Across The Table" where we simply come to the table to share in all things youth-ministry and in all things happening in the lives of teenagers today. We're your youth minister hosts, Tammy Pollock and Kevin Garrity, and we're so glad to BE sitting at the table with you. We hope you'll find rest & belonging Across The Table with us -- as we discern and discover what it means "To love youth on behalf of Jesus, in hopes of loving them to Jesus," trusting that Christ-like love will transform you and our community. Listen to the latest episode *here!*

MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU!



JOIN THE WEST END RINGERS! Thursdays at 6:00 PM in the Handbell Room

6th - 12th graders are invited to join this exciting ensemble as they embark on a season of worship leadership and special outside performance opportunities.

Previous handbell/musical experience encouraged but not require.
To join or with questions, email *Director of Handbell Ensembles*,
Camille Jones (*camillemurphyjones@gmail.com*)



JUST ONE MORE RANDOM THOUGHT...

DID YOU KNOW?

A chef's hat has 100 pleats.

Apparently, it's meant to represent the 100 ways you can cook an egg.

Don't forget you are loved so BIG!

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. - 1 John 4:7

For more information or to sign up to receive Youth Ministry updates by email, contact:

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