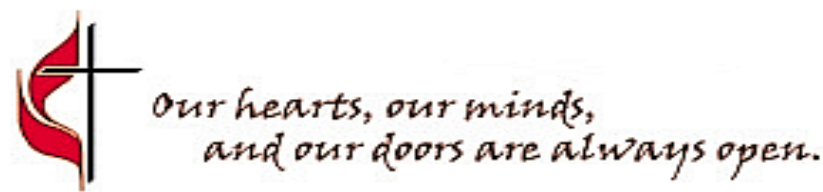


Centenary United Methodist Church



September 18, 2022 15th Sunday after Pentecost 10:15 AM

Welcome to worship with Centenary United Methodist Church!  
Today we gather as an in-person & online community to worship together.  
\*All who feel comfortable standing are invited to do so.  
UMH = The United Methodist Hymnal — TFWS = The Faith We Sing Songbook  
W&S = Worship and Song Book

Welcome

**\*Call to Worship** by Erik Alsgaard  
L: O God, we come into your courts with praise and thanksgiving!  
**P: We come in celebration and song.**  
L: We come in gratitude of your inheritance.  
**P: We come as those who have received blessing upon blessing.**  
L: We hear the cry of the poor in the land, and ache to offer them relief.  
**P: We come to bring them blessing upon blessing, in Jesus’ name.**  
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**\*Opening Hymn** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling UMH 384

**\*Opening Prayer (Unison)** by Erik Alsgaard  
Gracious God, your people are suffering. Where there is woundedness, help us bring healing.  
Where there is discouragement, help us bring support and comfort. Where there is dismay and  
mourning, help us bring the power of new life and new opportunities. Heal us, O God, for you are  
our help and our hope, the One we turn to in times of trouble. In the name of our Great Physician,  
Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Let the Children Come Nicole Tierno

Passing of the Peace

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

**\*Song of Praise** There Is a Balm in Gilead UMH 375

**Sermon** “There is a Balm in Gilead!” Rev. Sooah Na

**Musical Reflection**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering Invitation**  
September’s barrel offering is designated for the Breaking the Chain Through Education,  
which works to eradicate child slave trafficking in Ghana, West Africa.

**Offertory Hymn** Still W&S 3134

**\*Doxology** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 95  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above,  
ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication** by B.J. Beu  
Source of every good gift, you call us to be wise with the true riches of your kingdom. May this  
offering show such wisdom, that having been found faithful in a little, you will trust us to be faithful  
in much. We offer you these gifts in gratitude for your love, that they may bring healing and light to  
those who need your balm of Gilead. **Amen.**

**Announcements**

**\*Closing Hymn** Tradin’ My Sorrows W&S 3108

**\*Benediction**  
Pastor: Is there a physician who can heal us and our world?  
**People: The one true God can heal us.**  
Pastor: Is there a balm in Gilead?  
**People: The one true God can heal us.**  
Pastor: Look to God for your healing and renewal, and for the healing and renewal of our world. **Amen.**

**Postlude**

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED		NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS	
THE STAFF			
Ministers.....	The Congregation	Pastor.....	Sooah Na
Dir. of Music Ministry.....	YoungKwang Jun	Sunday School Coord.....	Nicole Tierno
Worship Assistant.....	Ali Woodfield	Custodian.....	Olga Alvarado
Usher.....	TBD	Administrative Asst.....	Mary Wu
Drums.....	Carla Giordano/Devin Tierno	AV Team.....	Asher Irfan, Sonia Kanchi,
Early Learning Ctr.....	Melinda Wilson	...Paul Manjourides, Ed Stern, JohnWooding	

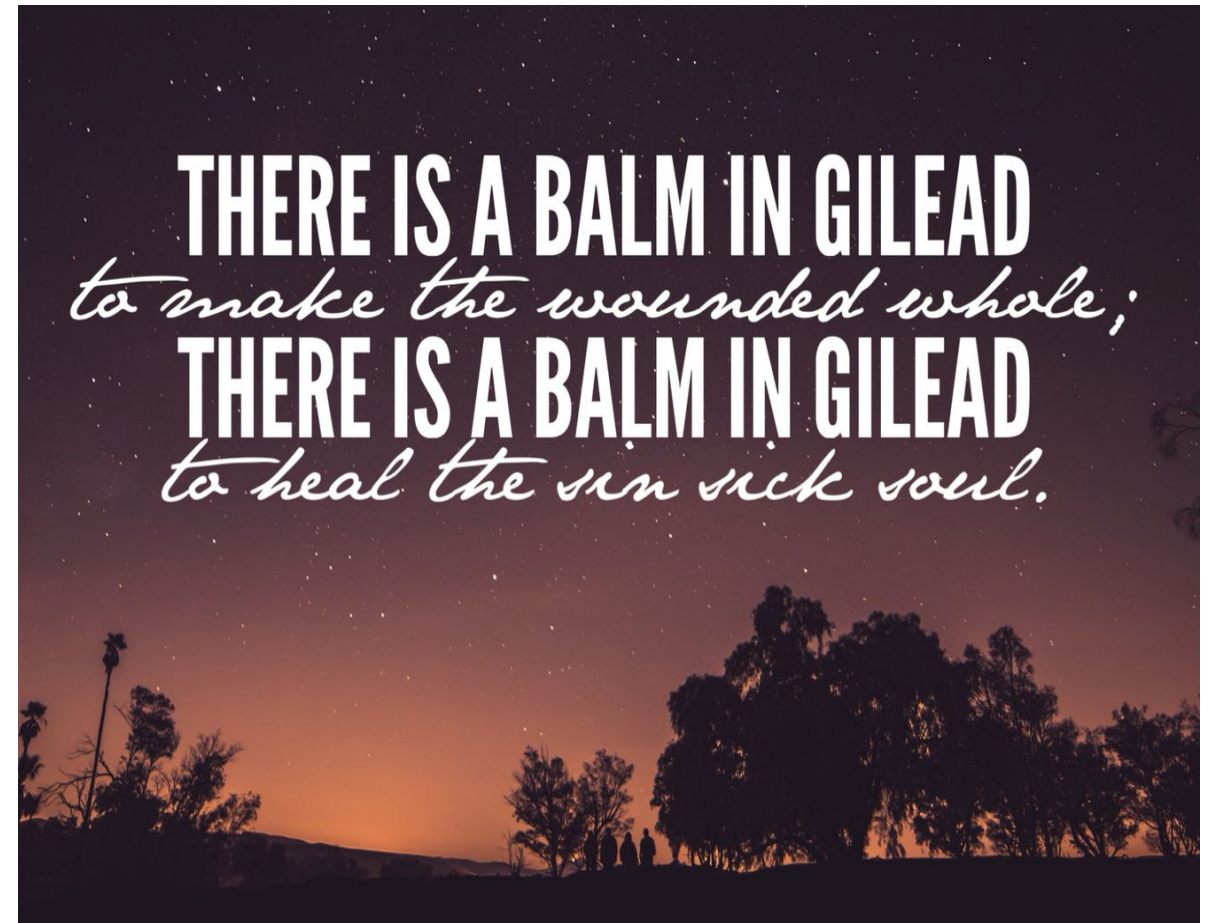
**Remember in your prayers:** Miriam Dingle; family of Roslyn McCombs; Sylvia Woodfield; family of Frank Pike (cousin of Ellen Clarke); Poonam Chauhan (sister-in-law of Mala Roberts); Kristi Akins; Cathy Savoia; Linda Serentino; Anne Beattie; Rosie Ciccone (sister-in-law of Beverly Bell); Arthur Manjourides (father of Paul Manjourides); Monika Korte; Nancy Buday (friend of Ellen Clarke); Patricia Thompson; Linda Stonage (sister of Bruce Clarke); Terri Sgambati (aunt of Nicole Tierno); Lori Loza; Reshma Rahi; Debra Martin (daughter of Mary Ellen Heim); Fran Koppell (friend of Bruce & Ellen Clarke); Roger Mullenhard (brother-in-law of Linda Serentino); Melanie Spanko (daughter of Janet Spanko); Lee Lehman; Lester Heim, Jr.; Howie Reenberg (friend of Tom Moyer); Laura Vasile (daughter of Rita Vasile); Portia Lashley; Mary Ellen Heim; Samantha (neighbor of Nicole Tierno); Monika Van Houten



*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Arms*

***Mission Statement***

*“Centenary United Methodist Church is a community of people growing in faith, love and hope, doing all the good we can, following in the footsteps of Jesus.”*



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