

# CENTENARY CHURCH

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## WELCOME

### *Stories of* **COURAGE**



### **Deborah: Owning Our Story**

Cover image by Kylie Beran

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# Everyone Is Welcome

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We are glad that you are here and invite you to fill out the Connect Card that is in your bulletin. Please note the prayer requests and connections opportunities on the back of the card. Completed Connect Cards may be placed in the offering plate as you leave today.

Join us for coffee and donuts after the service.

Centenary United Methodist Church is a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network. Centenary has made a commitment to intersectional LGBTQ justice, and affirms that everyone is beloved and celebrated in our ministry.

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## Announcements

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### **Adult Class with Pastor Michelle**

Join Pastor Michelle and others on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. via zoom for a class called “Embodied: Scriptural and Theological Perspectives on the Bodies of Humans and of the Earth.” Sign up by contacting Pastor Michelle at [Michelle@MankatoCentenary.org](mailto:Michelle@MankatoCentenary.org) or Join the Zoom Meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85914353655>  
Meeting ID: 859 1435 3655  
Or call: (312) 626-6799, 85914353655#

**Grief Group** A grief group for men and women will meet at the church on Monday, October 25th at 1:30 p.m. The group will continue monthly on the 4th Monday of the month. Talk to Pastor Michelle for more information.

### **Film Viewing and Discussion, November 7th**

*For They Know Not What They Do*, explores the intersection of religion, sexual orientation, and gender identity through the stories of four families of faith. Join us on Sunday, November 7th at 6:00 p.m., as we explore this important issue within our denomination and country. A brief 30-minute discussion will follow the 90-minute film. Masks are required to attend.

### **Wednesday Night Kids and Youth for October 27**

6:30 pm JAM (Jesus And Me) for Kids preK-6th grade. In Person Outdoors  
7:30 pm Youth Group In Person  
If you have questions, please contact Lydia at [Lydia@MankatoCentenary.org](mailto:Lydia@MankatoCentenary.org).

### **Circles of Care Zoom Discussion on Refugees and Immigration**

Centenary has two neighbors who are familiar with the challenges faced by those who find themselves, as mentioned in Exodus, “a stranger in a strange land.” Jaffer Mohamud of Mankato Area Refugee Services and Rev. Yong Son of the Korean Methodist Church have agreed to join our Zoom Gathering on Tuesday, October 26th at 6:30 p.m. to share their experiences with these social principles of refugees and immigrants. You, too, are invited to share in this discussion of the challenges of offering ‘radical hospitality’ to immigrants and refugees who are facing cultural, economic, and social challenges.

Join the Zoom Meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j5689213145>

# Order of Service

*Ask an usher for assistance with hearing devices and large print bulletins.*

## **Welcome & Announcements**

## **Prayers of the People**

### **Opening Song**

Blessed Assurance

*Arr. Knapp*

## **Children's Time**

### **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### **Unison Prayer**

O God of victory and failure, of striving and surrender, of falling down and getting back up - you are with us no matter the results of our efforts. Whether we are confident or curious, whether we are brave or afraid, or both, you walk beside us, offering us grace and a new way to look at our struggle. Write our story with us, O God. Put your mark on it. Weave your grace through our successes and our disappointments. Then lead us to the place where our story flows into yours, where all is redeemed and made new. Amen.

### **Special Music**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

*Runyan*

## **A Reading From Judges 4:4-10**

### **Sermon**

**Stories of Courage:  
Deborah - Owing Our Story**

**Rev. Michelle  
Hargrave**

### **Closing Hymn**

We Are Called

*Haas*

## **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

Trust and Obey

*Towner*

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## More Information

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### See A Detailed Calendar

Looking for recurring or special events. We always have a variety of things happening, for all ages. [www.MankatoCentenary.org/events](http://www.MankatoCentenary.org/events)

### Kid & Youth Involvement

Get your children involved with Centenary. We have classes, gatherings, and are always doing something fun! To be notified of happenings, email Lydia. [Lydia@MankatoCentenary.org](mailto:Lydia@MankatoCentenary.org)

### Service Video Archive

Did you miss a sermon or want to watch something again? We have services archived on our website. [www.MankatoCentenary.org/archive](http://www.MankatoCentenary.org/archive)

### Donate Online

Thank you for your gifts, which make ministry possible. You can support Centenary's ministry through our webpage. [www.MankatoCentenary.org](http://www.MankatoCentenary.org)

### Email Newsletter Signup

We'd love to keep you up to date with everything happening at Centenary. Our email newsletter is sent out once a week on Fridays. Sign up! [www.MankatoCentenary.org](http://www.MankatoCentenary.org)

### Connect With Pastor

If you have a pastoral care concern or are interested in joining Centenary, contact Pastor Michelle. [Michelle@MankatoCentenary.org](mailto:Michelle@MankatoCentenary.org)

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## Serving in Worship

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Lead Pastor.....	Rev. Michelle Hargrave
Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministries.....	Lydia Jagodzinski
Liturgist .....	Lou Schwartzkopf
Music Coordinator.....	Doug Faust
Worship Tech Coordinator.....	Eric Koser
Tech Booth.....	Gale Bigbee
Grace and Power Handbell Choir Director .....	Martha Lindberg
Musicians .....	Kristy Gilberts, Craig Timmerman
Friends & Family Band.....	Nate Beran, Mark Braun, Kelly Coyle, Doug Faust, Lori Faust, Pam Soper, Craig Timmerman
Greeters.....	Everett Kluender
Ushers .....	Brian Frederick
Servers .....	Carla Frederick, Mike Laven, Amy Willette