

NOVEMBER 20, 2016

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

PREACHING — REV. DREW CLAYTON

LITURGIST — REV. WARREN NASH

CHOIRMASTER AND ORGANIST — DR. LESTER SEIGEL

Beautiful People

“For you are a holy people, who belong to the Lord your God. Of all the people on earth, the Lord your God has chosen you to be his own special treasure.” (Deuteronomy 7:6, TEV)

Last Friday I briefly joined a crew of former youth from Canterbury who reunited to do a mission project—working together like they had done in the youth group years before. The passion for serving others was obvious and their love for each other was strong. Some of the counselors who had worked with them in years past were right by their side—more as colleagues now than leaders—for these young people have grown into young adults and are capable of so much more. It was beautiful to see these young adults with a passion for helping others.

Sunday morning following our 10:30 worship services, I joined a swarm of people who gathered in Canterbury Hall to pack 3,000 Little Brown Bags to be distributed to children in the Birmingham City Schools who would miss out on the school lunches over the Thanksgiving holidays. The buzz and energy in the room was a vibrant blend of laughter and excited conversation. There was a group of young helpers who were restocking the baskets from which the items were taken and placed in the Little Brown Bags. They were like a finely tuned machine as they weaved in and out of the lines of people packing bags to be sure there were plenty of supplies for those packing. It was beautiful to see children with a passion for helping others.

Canterbury UMC has a history of creating compassionate and generous people. We start them young! I am grateful for the culture of living out our commitment to Jesus Christ by serving others that is instilled from an early age in the lives of our children.

On Monday evening as we gathered for the “All Sons and Daughters” concert in the sanctuary, we had over 700 people from the community join us for an evening of worship and praise. There were a lot of people from Canterbury in the crowd. The remarkable thing to me was there were a lot of older members of the church who made a commitment to show up for this concert even though it “wasn’t their cup of tea.” Their presence spoke volumes about their willingness to support this church. I think these are the same people who have created a culture at Canterbury of serving others in the name of Jesus Christ. It was beautiful to see these members demonstrating their commitment to this congregation.

Canterbury is a church filled with beautiful people who are making the world a better place through love, service, and commitment. Thank you for being the church you are because you are making a difference in so many lives.

Dale R. Cohen

Dale Cohen, Senior Pastor

WELCOME CHILDREN! —Parents, make sure your children get a worship activity pack in the Narthex entrance area. The Children’s Comfort Room is also adjacent to the Narthex.



Hearing assist devices and large print hymnals available – ask an usher for help.



FOLLOW Jesus... SERVE OTHERS...

Send in Your Pledge Today! We Need Everyone's Help This Year

We are the hands that carry the Good News of Jesus Christ. And thanks largely to your financial gifts, that good news includes grocery bags for the hungry, wheelchair ramps for those in need, conversations with those who are lonely, and much, much more. You can help spread the good news and good work of your church even farther in 2017. Fill out and send in your pledge card today. Or make your commitment on line at www.canterburyumc.org/commitment. We need EVERYONE'S help this year!



Special Announcements

Thanksgiving for the Life of

- Ruth Peeples McKewen..... 11/11/16
Michael Frank Barnett..... 11/11/16
Loretta Sharp Monts..... 11/15/16

In Hospital/Rehab as of 11/16/16

- Jo Dobbs..... Grandview
Carolynne Kent..... UAB Highland
Evelyn Bradley..... St. Vincent's
Mary Ann Reeves..... Brookwood

Worship Service Schedule

- 8:15 amNew Traditions Worship..... Chapel - Rev. Warren Nash
10:30 amTraditional Worship Sanctuary - Rev. Drew Clayton
10:30 amContemporary Worship Canterbury Center - Bishop Michael Watson
5:00 pm.....The WAY..... Chapel - Mr. Brian Ward

Wedding

The flowers on the Sanctuary altar are placed in honor of Gray Shamblin Harris & Merrill Frederick Nelson, II, united in holy matrimony on November 19th.



For a full listing of this week's upcoming events, please pick up a printed copy of the Canterburian Express in the Narthex or at the main reception desk. For even more information, please see our website at www.CanterburyUMC.org/Newsletters.

Poinsettias and Wreaths

To place a poinsettia or wreath in memory of or in honor of a friend or loved one, please complete this form: Poinsettia _____ Wreath _____ Placed in Honor _____ Memory _____ of _____ By _____ Phone# _____

Make your check (\$15 per poinsettia or \$45 per wreath) payable to Canterbury UMC and return it with a copy of this form to the church office or to Paul McCracken, no later than Friday, December 2.

Order of Morning Worship

*Congregation Please Stand

Words in bold type are spoken or sung by the congregation.

Voluntary Now Thank We All Our God J. S. Bach

Welcome and Parish Notices

Collect *The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.*

Almighty and merciful God, you break the power of evil and make all things new in your Son Jesus Christ, the King of the universe. May all in heaven and earth acclaim your glory and never cease to praise you. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

* Processional Hymn 694 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and 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, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. 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. Amen.

* Gloria Patri MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

* Passing of the Peace *The Peace of the Lord be with you, and also with You.*

Children's Moment Scott Precise

Sacrament of Infant Baptism Alice Catherine Cater and Sollie Franklin Cater *See insert*

Anthem King of Glory, King of Peace "Ubi caritas," arr. Elmer Iseler

King of glory, king of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease, I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me. Thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me. Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee; and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee; Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me; and alone when they replied, thou didst hear me. Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee; e'en eternity's too short to extol thee. (George Herbert)

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

Our Gifts and Music

Offertory Anthem Lift Up Your Heads William Mathias

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, that the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is this King of Glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle. Who is this King of Glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. (Ps. 24: 7-10)

* Doxology OLD 100TH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Hymn of Preparation 325 Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus, vv. 1 & 3 IN BABILONE

Psalter Lesson Psalm 95: 1 - 7a

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Drew Clayton

* Hymn of Commitment 717 Battle Hymn of the Republic, vv. 1, 3, 5 BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

* Dismissal & Blessing

* Recessional Prayer Ted Clark, cantor

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that the words we have said and sung this day may be so grafted and guarded in our hearts, that our lives may bring forth good fruits, and our lips shall show forth Thy praise, to the honor and glory of Thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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