

FRACTION ANTHEM 413 (URWB)

Agnus Dei

BELL AGNUS

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP BY INTINCTION AND KNEELING *All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Ushers will guide you.*

COMMUNION MUSIC (URWB) *Please join in singing the hymn as we receive the elements.*

HYMN 129

We Gather at Your Table, Lord

CLEANSING FOUNTAIN

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. May we be transformed into your image. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

Want to know more about Following Jesus and Serving Others? To make Canterbury your home church, contact Rev. Tori Hastings at 868-6580 or tori.hastings@canterburyumc.org.

Vacation Bible School

Register Your Child Now for the Week of June 5th

Registration is now open for Canterbury VBS to be held from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon, Monday through Friday, June 5 - 9. Sign-up online. Contact Amy Dobbins at amy.dobbins@canterburyumc.org for more information.

Combined Summer Sunday School

Starting June 4 in Wesley Hall

Beginning Sunday, June 4 there will be combined Summer Sunday School taught by many members of the church staff in Wesley Hall from 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM. If your Sunday school class isn't meeting for the Summer or if you want to get to better know the staff, join us!

First Things First

Consider Prepaying Before Summer

Canterbury's programs for outreach, worship, and learning stay in full swing all summer long. You can prepay your summer giving even if you are headed to the beach, the lake, or the mountains. Contact Jan Coats at 874-1551 or at jan.coats@canterburyumc.org.

Special Announcements

In the Hospital / Rehab (as of May 24)

Pat Alley.....Brookdale
L. Robison Lamberth.....Grandview
Elizabeth Macklem.....Brookwood
Harris (Bret) Pippen.....St. Vincent's

Thanksgiving for the Life of

Trey Chamblee.....May 16, 2017
Hilda Church.....May 18, 2017

Rose on the Sanctuary Lectern

The rose on the Sanctuary Lectern is in honor of John David Funderburg, son of Amy & Corey Funderburg, who was born on May 11th.



NEW TRADITIONS

MAY 28, 2017

ASCENSION SUNDAY

PREACHING — THE REVEREND TORI HASTINGS

LITURGIST — THE REVEREND DALE COHEN

CHOIRMASTER AND ORGANIST — DOCTOR LESTER SEIGEL

FREEDOM AND RESPONSIBILITY

"The memory of the righteous is a blessing, but the name of the wicked will rot." (Proverbs 10:7, NRSV)

How will you be remembered? What will be the defining accomplishments of your life? What legacy will you leave for those who come after you? Is there any contribution you are making that will touch the lives of those you've never even met?

Memorial Day is a time for us to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we celebrate as Americans. It's an important day as we recall that people we never knew and possibly some we did, were willing to do their part in extending into the future the principle of "liberty and justice for all" through their sacrifice. Memorial Day is important to observe because it is dangerous to disconnect sacrifice and responsibility from freedom and independence. As a matter of fact, I would say the degree to which we are free is directly proportional to our willingness to take responsibility and be held accountable for our actions.

As a teenager with a driver's license and a car, I wanted more freedom to go where I wanted, when I wanted, and with whom I wanted. My parents demanded that I first demonstrate responsibility before they were willing to grant me the freedom to do as I wished. They were linking freedom and responsibility in a life lesson whose truth is borne out on a daily basis for me even now as an adult. I am free to do whatever I want as long as I'm willing to be responsible for my actions and can accept the consequences and the costs of my actions.

I've been fortunate that I haven't had to make any significant sacrifices as a result of the freedom under which I live. Most Americans have had a similar experience. Even so, I've tried not to take those freedoms lightly and to remember that others have been required to give more. That realization produces a spirit of gratitude.

As a follower of Jesus, the costs of being a disciple have not been too demanding on me either. I recognize there are other Christians around the world for whom there is a significant risk for them to worship and to practice their faith. I can't imagine how hard it is for them. Would it surprise you to know that those same Christians frequently pray for those of us who can worship without persecution? They pray for us because they believe without persecution, we will have a hard time developing faith. It's true!

We can choose how we will be remembered as Christians and as citizens of the United States. On this Memorial Day, I give thanks for those U.S. soldiers and for those Christians around the world who have demonstrated the lengths to which a faithful person will go to live out their faith and their principles. Now, may I do the same.

Dale Cohen, Senior Pastor



ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

*Congregation Please Stand

URWB - Upper Room Worship Book UMH - United Methodist Hymnal
Words in bold type are spoken or sung by the congregation.

WELCOME AND WORSHIP WORDS

* HYMN 75 (URWB) Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA

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

Praise the Lord, who has shown us the wonders of his unfailing love; and who, for the sake of his name, leads us and guides us. In you, O Lord, we put our trust. You are our God, and our lives are in your hands. Lord, let the light of your face shine on us as we celebrate together in your presence. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est! Sing glo - ry to God! _____
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth! _____

PSALTER READING 764 (UMH) *Sing Response 1* Psalm 31: 1 - 16

SERMON Rev. Tori Hastings

RESPONSE TO THE WORD 271 (URWB) A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, vv. 1 & 3 EIN' FESTE BURG

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

ALL PRAY IN SILENCE

KYRIE 482 (UMH)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

WORDS OF PARDON

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are a forgiven people. Glory to God!

Alleluia! Amen.

* THE PEACE *The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you.*

Sha - lom, Sha - lom, the peace of God be here. Sha - lom, sha - lom, God's jus - tice be ev - er near.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy... hear our prayer.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS He, Whom Angels Worship Irish melody, arr. Bullard

I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship, should pour his love upon the human race, Or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wand'ers, to bring all back within the fold of grace. But this I know, that he was born of Mary, when Beth'lem's manger was his only home, And that he lived and laboured in Nazareth, and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world is come.

I cannot tell how silently he suffered, as with his peace he graced this place of tears, Or how his heart upon the cross was broken, the crown of pain to three and thirty years. But this I know, he heals the brokenhearted, forgives our sin, and calms our inmost fear, And lifts the burden from the heavy laden, for yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world is here.

I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship when, at his bidding, ev'ry storm is stilled, Or who can say how great the jubilation when all the hearts on earth with love are filled. But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture, and countless throngs of human voices sing, And earth to heav'n, and heav'n to earth will answer: "At last the Saviour, Saviour of the world is King!"

* WESLEY'S GRACE & DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

Be present at our table, Lord;
be here and everywhere adored;
Thy creatures bless, and grant that we
may feast in paradise with Thee.

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING 37-40 (URWB)

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might: hea - ven and earth are full, are
full of Your glo - ry. O... Bless - ed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho
san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died, Christ is ris - sen, Christ will come a - gain!

AMEN

A - men, A - men, A - - - - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER 454 (URWB, chanted)