

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.

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.

Download the Canterbury App

Stay Connected This Summer

Be sure to download our app so that you can stay connected to Canterbury this summer. You can stay up to date with the latest events, listen to sermons, and our new feature, Canterbury Live, will allow you to watch worship live every Sunday at 10:30 AM. It will also allow you to watch past sermons in the Archives tab. Head over to the App Store and search for Canterbury UMC. After you download and launch the app, head over to the sermons tab for Canterbury Live.



Special Announcements

In the Hospital / Rehab (as of May 17)

Pat Alley.....Brookdale
Linda Broach.....St. Vincent's

Thanksgiving for the Life of

Dr. Guy Hicks.....May 11, 2017

Flowers on Sanctuary Altar

The flowers on the Sanctuary altar are placed in honor of Lillian Elaine Duffee & Benjamin Burton Lewellyn, who were united in holy matrimony on May 20th.

Flowers in the Chapel

The flowers in the Chapel are placed in loving memory of Dr. Guy M. Hicks, Jr. by his family.



Traditional Worship

MAY 21, 2017

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PREACHING — REV. DALE COHEN

LITURGIST — REV. SHERYL THORNTON

CHOIRMASTER — KEITH BRANDENBURG

ORGANIST — ANNIE SKINNER

AN ENCOURAGING WORD FOR THE SUMMER

"Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching." -- (Hebrews 10:23-25, NRSV)

Congratulations to all the graduates who are moving on to the next phase of your lives. May God grant you grace and comfort throughout the summer and into the fall, preparing you for what lies ahead.

Speaking of summer, we're approaching that time of rest and renewal when many people will make their way to the beach, to the mountains, or beyond. We miss you when you are gone! We want to stay connected to you even while you travel. The Canterbury App is a great way to stay in touch. You can tap into one of our worship live streams (both Traditional and Contemporary Worship) at 10:30 am Central each Sunday and watch what's happening while you're away. We're referring to these live broadcasts as "Canterbury Live." If the 10:30 am time slot doesn't work for you, you can still access an archived version of the services or listen to a podcast of any of the sermons preached at Canterbury. If you choose any of these options, drop us an email and let us know you listened in.

Even though your plans may have you away from church a lot this summer, remember that connecting with other Christians is an important part of Christian community. The Hebrews passage at the top of the page tells us we're responsible for provoking each other to love more and serve more. Maintaining that kind of connection to Canterbury can be difficult if your schedule takes you away several Sundays in a row. Being a part of a small group can be an added benefit, especially if you're traveling on the weekends but are home during the week. We're here to help you get connected so let any of the staff know if you would like to be a part of a small group and we'll help you find a group that meets your needs.

As we do each year, for those traveling throughout the summer, we encourage you to fulfill your giving for the time you will be gone before you leave. We call this our First Things First campaign. By doing so, it not only keeps you from getting behind in your giving, it allows the church to fulfill its ministries and other obligations that continue throughout the summer. We are grateful for those of you who have already stepped up, and we know there are others who plan to do the same.

Allow me to offer one last word of gratitude for those of you who completed our most recent survey. Our goal was 700 responses, and we exceeded that number! We'll be working with the results and making a report to the Church Council in August with some preliminary steps for moving forward.

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.



Order of Morning Worship

*Congregation Please Stand

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

Voluntary Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne in C Buxtehude

Welcome and Parish Notices

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

Pour into our hearts, O God, the Holy Spirit's gift of love, that we, clasping each other's hand, may share the joy of friendship, human and divine, and draw many to your community of love; through Jesus Christ the Righteous, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* Processional Hymn 101 From All That Dwell Below the Skies DUKE STREET

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' 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

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 Laura Millsap

Infant Baptism Lucy Katherine Gearhart *see insert*
Anne Elizabeth Norton

Call to Prayer If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall send you another Comforter, e'en the Spirit of truth, that ye may abide forever.

Commissioning of New Stephen Ministers

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 I Will Not Leave You Comfortless William Byrd

I will not leave you comfortless. Alleluia.
I go, and I will come to you. Alleluia.
And your heart shall rejoice. Alleluia.

* 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 369 Blessed Assurance ASSURANCE

Scripture Reading Acts 17 ; 22 - 31

This is the Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Dale Cohen

* Hymn of Commitment 573 O Zion, Haste, vv. 1 & 4 TIDINGS

* 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.

Music Notes: The two anthems sung by the Choir today are taken from the appointed Gospel lesson for this Sunday, John 14. Both Byrd and Tallis were celebrated composers in Britain during the Elizabethan era. The smooth, non-dissonant style of Renaissance choral music is ideal in communicating the sense of reassurance spoken of in these passages of the Gospel.

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.