



ALL THINGS NEW



Contemporary Worship
APRIL 21, 2024



THANK YOU FOR VISITING CANTERBURY!

We are so glad you are here, and we would love to connect with you. Let us know you are here by scanning this QR code or by visiting:
www.canterburyumc.org/attendance

We look forward to connecting with you!

Senior Pastor - Rev. Keith Thompson

Pastor - Rev. Hill Carmichael

Pastor - Rev. Tori Hastings

Pastor - Dr. Bill Morgan

Pastor - Rev. Sheryl Thornton

Pastor - Rev. Sam Williamson

Pastor - Rev. Matthew Montgomery

Children's Pastor - Rev. Ruth Grissom

Youth Pastor - Rev. Gann Waters - Wright

Bishop in Residence - Dr. Mike Watson

Director of Contemporary Music - Natalie Moon



Who Are We

As people of the church, we are committed to following Jesus with an authentic faith. We seek to be real and authentic in every part of our lives because we believe that Jesus wants to know us. We also believe that Jesus wants to meet us wherever we are in life. At Canterbury United Methodist Church, this is what it means to be in relationship with Christ. Jesus said the most important thing we can do is to love God with all our heart, soul, strength, and mind, and love our neighbor as our self. This simple yet profound statement represents the real grace and real love Jesus has for all people, particularly those whom the rest of the world often overlooks. This statement from Jesus also represents the very nature of who God is. Through sharing real grace and real love with people, Jesus brought healing into their lives. At Canterbury, we seek to follow Jesus' example, striving to share and experience real grace and real love in our real life.

Real Grace

Grace stands as a central tenant to our community. It is at the very core of who we are as children of God because it is part of our lives before we are even aware of it. We confess that we are each imperfect, regularly falling short of our own standards and God's. God loves us anyway just as we are. God initiates every relationship with us through grace. God's grace can never be earned, it is all gift. We, as God's children, strive to do the same with each other. We start with grace given to us by God. We live offering the same grace to ourselves and one another.

Real Love

In a world where people are sometimes criticized for being different, the people of the church are called to be intentionally different. Our Holy Scriptures remind us that we are all created in the image of God; and, if God is Love, then we are created in the image of love. God as revealed in Jesus Christ is what real love looks like. When we are most true to who we are created to be, we are loving. At Canterbury, we seek to embody that love is patient and kind ... and we particularly like it best when it is a verb.

Real Life

God constantly invites us into a life of full connection with God and others through Jesus Christ. This is the real life we are created for. Nothing but relationship with God and each other will truly satisfy the longing inside us. We believe this is the path to real, abundant life. Our desire is to walk this path together.

Welcome to Canterbury

We are so glad you chose to worship with us today!

We want you to feel at home. Through close relationships, the study of scripture, education, and caring for others, our goal is to connect you to God, each other, and His world in a real and meaningful way. We want to be a place where you will meet Jesus exactly where you are. You will find a community of real people, led by leaders who express their real experiences to help renew and empower you to follow Him. So no matter where you are in life, we invite you to come as you are and to live for something greater. If you need help finding your way around, we have welcome guides located at our main entrances and outside the worship areas. We look forward to connecting with you!

WORSHIP:

Children in Worship All children are welcome in worship! The sights, sounds, and interactions of worship are appropriate for every age. Worship Activity bags, Sensory bags, and other resources are available as you enter. If you have a child with sensory challenges who might need a break from worship, we have a Sensory Room located on the 2nd floor of the Children's Building that is staffed with knowledgeable caregivers. Excellent nursery care is available to children through 4 years old, however we love having all ages worshipping together and look forward to the ways they can help us worship God.

Watch Online We understand the challenges you face and we strive to be a church that is accessible to you whenever and however you need us. Our Sanctuary and Contemporary Worship services are available on our website.

Things to Know:

- *Make sure your children get a worship activity pack on the wall in Canterbury Center.*
- *The Children's Comfort Room is in the back hallway.*

NEXT STEPS

If you are new to Canterbury, this is a great class for those who want to learn more about our church. Held on Sunday mornings, it provides an overview of what makes Canterbury thrive. You can find out more about the church, ask questions, and make personal connections. Sundays, 9:15-10:15 AM in the Dining Room. For questions or to sign up for the next session, please contact Becky King at becky.king@canterburyumc.org.

MEET WITH OUR PASTORS:

Our pastors would love to meet with you over coffee and get to know you. You can bring any questions you might have and get to know a little more about Canterbury, and anything else you want to talk about. Contact Matthew Montgomery at matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org or 205-868-6588, to set that up.

CONTACT US:

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WORSHIP IS AN AWARENESS AND EXPRESSION OF GOD'S PRESENCE LIVED OUT MOMENT BY MOMENT

We Gather In God's Presence

Over And Over

Welcome & Greeting

Children's Moment

We Prepare Our Hearts With Song

Firm Foundation (He Won't)

Good Plans

We Respond To God

God's People Pray

God's People Give

Love Like This

We Listen For God's Voice

John 21: 1-20

All Things New: Between a Rock

Time And Time Again

We Go To Live Like Jesus

Reminder of God's Promises

A Challenge to Live Like Jesus

SERMON NOTES:

Thanksgiving for the Lives of

- Joyce Prater (Harlan Prater IV’s mother).....April 14, 2024
- William “Billy” Ray (Suzanne Hoy’s father).....April 16, 2024

Happening at Canterbury

Wednesday Night Outreach Sessions | 6 PM

We are enjoying this great new set of informative sessions that are taking place on Wednesday nights at 6 PM in Room 226. There are two remaining sessions: April 24 - Wellhouse / May 1 - Urban Ministries
For details and to register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults

Legacy Luncheon | April 23 | 12 Noon

Please join us as we welcome Canterbury's very own Allen Baynes to share about his long running NFL referee career and his latest adventure in refereeing this year's Superbowl. Allen will share stories, photos and his family history of being a part of the NFL organization. April 23 from 12-1 PM in Canterbury Hall. Lunch is \$5. RSVP to Valerie at 205-874-1523 or valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org.

National Take Back Day | April 27 | 10 AM-2 PM

The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day provides a safe and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the public about the potential for misuse of medications. It will be held in the Chapel parking lot on April 27 from 10 AM - 2 PM. Sponsored by the Mountain Brook Police Dept.

Senior Night | April 28 | 5:30-7:30 PM

Next Sunday, April 28, we will celebrate our incredible Seniors! (5:30 PM, Canterbury Hall) All 7th-11th grade YACs are encouraged to attend to support our graduating 12th graders! The event is \$10/person for families that do not have a Senior. To register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

UMW Spring Meeting & Luncheon | May 6 | 10:30 AM

All are invited to the UMW spring meeting and luncheon that will be held on May 6 at 10:30 AM in Wesley Hall. Guest speaker will be Michael Wilson, Executive Director of Avondale Samaritan Place. (\$17) You do not have to be a UMW member to attend! Please email Susan Yarbro at myarbro35223@yahoo.com to sign up.

Side by Side Community Chorus Concert | May 14 | 2 PM

The Side by Side Community Chorus presents "Peace, Love and Harmony" on May 14 at 2 PM in Canterbury Hall. From Louis Armstrong and the Beatles to Simon and Garfunkel, they'll bring you nostalgic tunes that you will love singing along to! Donations are welcomed and will benefit Avondale Samaritan Place.

YAC Summer Events | Register Now

Summer is one of our favorite times at YAC, and we want your student to be a part of the Senior High Lake Trip, Jr. High BigStuf Trip & Mission Week! For info, dates and to register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Vacation Bible Camp Volunteers Are Needed | June 10-13

One of the most fun weeks of the summer is coming June 10-13 and @kids_canterbury needs MANY adult volunteers to make VBC a huge SUCCESS! Questions? Contact Ruth at ruth.grissom@canterburyumc.org. Sign up to be a volunteer today at: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

Upcoming Events



HUNGRY?

Let's do lunch!

TODAY

Right after service

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WOMEN'S RETREAT

APRIL 26 & 27

Registration deadline is tomorrow, April 22!

We hope you'll join us! We have heard from many of you that it might be easier to make Friday or

Saturday only as opposed to the entire retreat.

We have adjusted the registration options.

Sign up today by scanning the QR code.

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KATHY IZARD**

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For more about Kathy:
www.kathyizard.com





Thank you for joining us today!