



*in their shoes*



**Contemporary Worship**  
**FEBRUARY 18, 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org) or 205-868-6588, to set that up.

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## **CONTACT US:**

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**[canterburyumc.org](http://canterburyumc.org)**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

### **We Gather In God's Presence**

#### ***Made For More***

Welcome & Greeting

Children's Moment

Baptism-Hill Walton Stone

### **We Prepare Our Hearts With Song**

#### ***Bless God***

#### ***Good Plans***

### **We Respond To God**

God's People Pray

God's People Give

#### ***Thank God I Do***

### **We Listen For God's Voice**

Mark 1: 9-15

In Their Shoes

#### ***Goodness Of God***

### **We Go To Live Like Jesus**

Reminder of God's Promises

A Challenge to Live Like Jesus

**SERMON NOTES:**

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**PRESENTED FOR HOLY BAPTISM**

HILL WALTON STONE

September 6, 2023

Parents: Kirstin Teschner Stone & Jeffrey Walton Stone

Siblings: Hunt Parsons Stone & William Braden Stone

Grandparents: Linda & Jeff Stone, Kay & Jamie Teschner

Great-Grandmother: Barbara Teas

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**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Congratulations to**

Emily Catherine Barber & James Adam Hall who were united in holy matrimony on February 17, 2024.

# Happening at Canterbury

## Hiking with Hill Carmichael | This Afternoon | 1-3 PM

For three Sundays in Lent, you are invited to join Hill and other great Canterbury folks for a relaxing afternoon hike. (2/18, 3/3, 3/17) Red Mountain Park. 15 and older may attend without a parent, 14 and younger will need to be accompanied by a parent. Please register at: [www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults](http://www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults)

## New Spring Studies | Begin February 21

New Wednesday night studies including Lenten offerings begin this week on February 21:

- The First Holy Week, Paul McCracken
- History & Faith in the Middle East, Tori Hastings
- Lenten Scripture Study, Natalie Moon & Matthew Montgomery
- Judges, Lisa Donnell & John Hutchinson
- Wednesday Bible Study, Keith Thompson

Please register at: [www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults](http://www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults)

## Created by God | February 22 Parents & February 24 Students

This workshop brings together 5th and 6th graders, their parents, and adult leaders for a faith-filled, comprehensive study of human sexuality, anatomy, growth and development, reproduction, and God's call to intimacy and responsibility. (\$60.00 per student)

- Thursday, February 22 | 6:30-8:00 PM Parents & Leaders
- Saturday, February 24 | 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Students & Leaders

Please register at: [www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children](http://www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children)

## Outreach Easter Baskets | Available Next Sunday, February 25

Help make Easter happy for over 200 local children! This year our Outreach Easter Basket project will benefit kids at Children's Harbor, Avondale Samaritan Place, and King's Home. Pick up an empty basket on Sunday, February 25 complete with instructions and a shopping list. Return your basket filled with Easter goodies by or before Sunday, March 17. Questions? Please email Jennifer Dunn at [jennifer.dunn@canterburyumc.org](mailto:jennifer.dunn@canterburyumc.org).

## New Young Adult Couples Sunday School Class | Begins March 3

If you are a couple in your 20's or early 30's and are wanting to find meaningful and life-giving community, we have a class for you! The class is going to start on March 3 in Room 305. If you want to join the class or have questions, please reach out to [matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org](mailto:matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org).

## Discovery Weekend | March 15-17

Registration is NOW OPEN! Discovery Weekend is our YAC spring retreat for all 7th-12th grade students. This weekend is designed for our junior high students, where our senior high students (grades 10-12) take on leadership roles during the whole weekend. It all takes place here at the church. Your student is not going to want to miss this weekend! Register your student at: [www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth](http://www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth)

## Upcoming Events



*Lenten*  
**WALK**  
*with Jesus*

Join the challenge!

### Walk one mile each day of Lent:

- Add your name on a shoe on the Challenge board!
- Find questions to ponder on your walks, scan the QR code.
- Walk with friends, family or solo!
- Use the 1 mile path on Canterbury's campus. or walk your own path at your own pace!
- Breathe, contemplate and reflect.



*scan code for more details*

For full details on Lent including Holy Week and Easter, please visit:  
[www.canterburyumc.org/worship/lent](http://www.canterburyumc.org/worship/lent)

# Rise<sup>®</sup>

## AGAINST HUNGER

### February 25 & 26

Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food and other aid to people in developing nations.

**Next week we plan to pack 200,000 meals!**

A few shifts are still open on Monday, Feb. 26.

Register today at:

[www.canterburyumc.org/rise-against-hunger](http://www.canterburyumc.org/rise-against-hunger)

If you need childcare for your shift, email Selena at [selena.pitsch@canterburyumc.org](mailto:selena.pitsch@canterburyumc.org) to reserve.



### Sozo Children's Choir Returns

**February 27 | 12 Noon | Canterbury Hall**

This talented group of children travel from Uganda to America touring the states while leading worship at churches and schools. Come experience Ugandan singing and dancing with African instruments and powerful worship.

The choir will perform at the February Legacy Luncheon at 12 Noon in Canterbury Hall. Lunch is \$5, performance is free. To reserve a lunch, RSVP by February 21 to Valerie at [valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org](mailto:valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org).



*Thank you for joining us today!*