



Contemporary Worship

JULY 28, 2024



THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

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. Matthew Montgomery

Pastor - Dr. Rick Owen

Youth Pastor - Rev. Gann Waters - Wright

Bishop in Residence - Dr. Mike Watson

Director of Contemporary Music - Natalie Moon

REAL

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. Excellent nursery care is available to children through 4 years.

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

Worship Online We strive to be a church that is accessible to you whenever and however you need us! All worship services are available through:

Website:

www.canterburyumc.org/worship/worship-online

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/CanterburyUMChurch

YouTube:

www.youtube.com/@CanterburyUMC

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.

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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

Just Want Jesus

Welcome & Greeting

Children's Moment

We Prepare Our Hearts With Song

Bless God

Way Maker

We Respond To God

God's People Pray

God's People Give

Hometown

We Listen For God's Voice

John 21: 1-14

The Best Meal

King Of Kings

We Go To Live Like Jesus

Reminder of God's Promises

A Challenge to Live Like Jesus

SERMON NOTES:

Congratulations to

Catherine Dianne Fruin & James Benny Nelson, III who were united in holy matrimony on July 27, 2024.

Kids@Canterbury

Faith Milestone Event for 3K “I Can Go to Sunday School” | August 11 | 9:15 AM

We're excited to kick off a new program called Faith Milestones, a yearly event for every child at Canterbury to mark an important step in their faith development. Each month, one age group will have a Faith Milestone where we celebrate their developmental stage and connect it to the life of the church. **The first Faith Milestone is for our 3Ks on Sunday, August 11.** These events will be held during the Sunday School hour and at least one parent is invited to attend with their child. Our hope is that we will introduce our kids to some of the essential practices of what it means to be a young disciple of Christ while having a lot of fun together too! Register at: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children. Questions? Email Eleanor Christiansen at eleanor.christiansen@canterburyumc.org.

POP IN for MORE POPSICLES | This Morning | 11:30 AM

Meet us in the Dining Room right after 10:30 AM worship this morning. Come enjoy a cold, sweet treat and meet our new Children's Ministry Director, Eleanor Christiansen!

Youth@Canterbury

Register for Confirmation 2024-2025

It's time to register your rising 7th grade student for Confirmation! It's a wonderful and immersive experience for our 7th graders where they begin to take ownership of their own faith, develop friendships and connect to their church family. Register at: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Atlanta Braves Game Getaway | August 8

Join the YACs on a fun day trip to see the Braves! Register at: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Adult Opportunities

Book Club Returns August 5 | 11:30 AM

It's back and will be held on the 1st Monday of each month! (8/5-4/1) Join us from 11:30 AM–12:30 PM in Room M226 for great discussion and fellowship. The August reading selection is *Trust the Whisper: How Answering Quiet Callings Inspires Extraordinary Stories of Ordinary Grace* by Kathy Izard. To reserve a lunch (\$12) please email clare.mallette@canterburyumc.org. For a full list of books and to register, visit: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults

engAGE Lunch & Learn | August 22 | 11:30 AM

Do you have an aging parent or loved one? The next engAGE Lunch and Learn will be August 22 from 11:30-1:00 PM in Canterbury Hall. The topic is WHAT'S NEXT? Putting the right pieces in place to be better prepared to care for an aging loved one. It will be led by a panel of four local experts. Lunch is \$10. Sign up today by emailing Valerie Boyd at valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org.

Wednesday Night Dinner & Studies | Return August 28

It's time to register for a fall study! Make plans to join your church family for dinner at 5 PM and stay for a small group study at 6 PM. For a full list of offerings, visit: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults



Spiritual Practices and the Enneagram September 6 & 7 - Register now!

Canterbury is excited to announce that we will be hosting a special event on September 6 & 7 featuring Rev. Joseph and Suzanne Stabile. (www.suzannestabile.com) Our ways of connecting with God are as varied as our Enneagram numbers. This 2-day workshop will walk participants through varied spiritual practices, practical application and expectations, and the struggles and benefits that each enneagram personality presents along the way. Cost: \$99. Friday, September 6 from 6-9 PM & Saturday, September 7 from 9 AM-5 PM. For more details and to register, visit: www.lifeinthetrinityministry.com/alabama

Mental Health Caregiver Support Group | Begins September 11

Thank you, Canterbury, for the feedback you provided through the recent survey on mental health. From the data collected, we've developed a 4-week program starting in September that contains helpful sessions designed to support and equip persons caring for family members with mental health challenges. This support group is co-sponsored by United Counseling and all sessions will be led by professionals from our community. It will be held on four Wednesday evenings at 6 PM beginning 9/11. Register at: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults Questions? Email Sheryl Thornton at sheryl.thornton@canterburyumc.org.

FALL KICKOFF

make plans to join us

**WEDNESDAY
AUG. 21**

**5-7 PM
CHAPEL LOT**



Free Dinner!

Cornhole Tournament

Inflatables for Kids

Games & Prizes

featuring

THREE ON A STRING

It's great
TO BE AT

CANTERBURY





Thank you for joining us today!