

FAITH

ON THE MOVE



Contemporary Worship

June 28, 2026



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. Matthew Montgomery

Pastor - Dr. Rick Owen

Youth Pastor - Rev. Gann Waters - Wright

Children's Pastor - Rev. Eleanor Christiansen

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. 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 online:

Website:

www.canterburyumc.org/worship/worship-online

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

Rest On Us

Welcome & Greeting

Children's Moment

We Prepare Our Hearts With Song

Goodness of God

Doxology (God Be Praised)

We Respond To God

God's People Pray

God's People Give

Center

We Listen For God's Voice

Mark 6: 30-34

Faith on the Move: Holy Rest in a Busy and Productive Life

Come As You Are

We Go To Live Like Jesus

Reminder of God's Promises

A Challenge to Live Like Jesus

SERMON NOTES:

Thanksgiving for the lives of

James Forstman (Keith Forstman’s father)June 12, 2026
Andrew O’Neal (Jeff & Anne O’Neal’s son)June 19, 2026

Shop Now for Christmas Village!

We're getting a jump start on collecting toys for our annual Christmas Village event held at Avondale Samaritan Place.



It's easy...just shop from the list locally at Snoozy's Toys or through the Amazon Wish List link (scan QR code) between now and July 31!
It's a great way to help supply the needed toys for 350 local children before our November drive.



Toy Drive Benefiting Avondale Samaritan Place
and the Annual Christmas Village

Happening at Canterbury



Beach Reads | June 30 & July 28

Looking for the perfect summer read and meaningful conversation? These relaxed gatherings on two TUESDAY evenings combine great books, fellowship, and faith-filled discussion. Whether you're reading by the pool, at the beach, or on your back porch, this is a wonderful way to stay connected and grow in community this summer. [5:30 dinner, 6:00 studies]

Scan the QR code to register or visit:
www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults



JUNE 30 | Book Selections

- *Capable*, by Goff & Thomas - Natalie Moon
- *The Universal Christ*, by R. Rohr - Matthew Montgomery
- *The After Party*, by Chang & French - Bill Morgan
- *You Are What You Love: The Spiritual Power of Habit*, by Butcher & James - JohnCarl Hastings

JULY 28 | Book Selections

- *Capable*, by Goff & Thomas - Hill Carmichael
- *My Friends*, by F. Backman - Annie Skinner
- *The Prayers of Peter Marshall*, by C. Marshall - Natalie Moon
- *Daring Greatly*, by B. Brown - Matthew Montgomery

Adult Summer Sunday School | 9:30 AM "Lessons from the Front Porch"

Join us in Wesley Hall during the Sunday School hour for a combined class featuring a different guest speaker and topic each week. Meet us on the porch for meaningful conversation, fresh perspectives and community. All are invited!

Encouragers Registration | Now Open

Connect with women of all ages through faith, friendship, and encouragement. Small groups meet monthly to pray, build relationships, and support one another through every season of life. Looking for deeper community? Join us! Scan the QR code to register.



YAC Magic City Work Week | July 12-18

This is an amazing week where we'll serve in the West End area painting and repairing houses. For grades 7-12th in the 2025-26 school year. Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Summer Meal Series | Daniel George | July 8

Thank you, Canterbury, for supporting this effort! Funds raised will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations. Please make sure to mention "Canterbury UMW Fundraiser" when you check out! See you at Daniel George for lunch or dinner on 7/8.

Vacation Bible School | July 20-23 Volunteers Needed!



Over 300 children are registered and we need volunteers to make it a huge success – open to youth and adults of all ages. Questions? Reach out to Eleanor Christiansen. Volunteer: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

Men's Breakfast | July 16 | 6:30 AM

Men of all ages are invited to join us for a summer morning of fellowship, great food, and good conversation. Come connect with friends, meet someone new, and start your day together in community. Register: www.canterburyumc.org/mens-ministry

SUMMER MEAL SERIES

UMW has partnered with **6** of our area's most popular and yummy restaurants to raise funds that will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations.



JUNE 3

Both Locations



JUNE 17

Mountain Brook
(dinner only)



JUNE 24

Crestline



JULY 8

Mountain Brook



JULY 22

Crestline
(dinner only)



JULY 29

Crestline

