

WHAT MATTERS MOST



Contemporary Worship
September 13, 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

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. Here you will find a community of real people 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.

WORSHIP

Children in Worship All children are welcome in worship! The sight, sounds, and interactions of worship are appropriate for every age. We have worship activity bags available on the wall as you enter Canterbury Center. Excellent nursery care is provided for infants through age 4 for all regularly scheduled worship services.

Worship Online

Website

www.canterburyumc.org/worship/worship-online

Facebook

www.facebook.com/CanterburyUMChurch

YouTube

www.youtube.com/@CanterburyUMC

CONNECT

Next Steps Class This is a basic introduction to our church family and a wonderful time for you to continue building connections with others. Since many of us come from different church backgrounds, this class is designed to clearly explain who we are and what we believe. After attending, our hope you will decide to make Canterbury your new church home. To register for the next class, email Becky King at becky.king@canterburyumc.org.

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

We Gather In God's Presence

For All My Life

Welcome & Greeting

Children's Moment

We Prepare Our Hearts With Song

Child of Love

Only Ever

We Respond To God

God's People Pray

God's People Give

Oh What Love

We Listen For God's Voice

Luke 8: 4-15

What Matters Most: Room to Grow

Tend

We Go To Live Like Jesus

Reminder of God's Promises

A Challenge to Life Like Jesus

Congratulations to

- Tish Fuller & Steve Flowers who were united in holy matrimony on September 11, 2026.
- Julia Bynum Stewart & Chandler Holt Flatau who were united in holy matrimony on September 12, 2026.

Happening at Canterbury

DAILY READING PLAN

Our churchwide Bible reading plan has returned with the Book of Genesis!

Each Sunday evening, you will receive an email outlining the readings for the week. If you do not receive an email, please help us out by emailing becky.king@canterburyumc.org to make sure the church has your correct email.

UMW General Fall Meeting September 14 | 10:30 AM

Join us for our General Meeting and Coffee on Monday, September 14 at 10:30 AM in Wesley Hall. After a brief business meeting, UMW members and guests will hear from the Canterbury Kenya Mission team. This past summer a group of Canterburyans traveled to Nakuru, Kenya. Partnering with "Start with One" in Kenya, they worked to get water filtration systems for families who did not have safe drinking water.

Men's Breakfast | September 24 | 6:30 AM

Wake up early and come for breakfast and hear from Hill Carmichael. He'll share about the Kenya Mission trip and Canterbury's impactful partnerships there. Register: www.canterburyumc.org/mens-ministry

Encouragers Registration & Kickoff Dinner

This ministry is designed to connect women of all ages through faith and friendship. Small groups meet monthly to study God's Word, pray for one another, build meaningful relationships, and support each other through every season of life. Groups also participate in Women's Serve Nights throughout the year and groups refresh each fall.

Register for an Encouragers group by visiting: www.canterburyumc.org/community/encouragers

The KICK OFF DINNER is SEPTEMBER 24 at 6 PM. Guest speaker will be Kathryn Tortorici, author of TWO by TWO.

Scan the QR code to register for the dinner.



Soup Day | October 15 | 10 AM - 7 PM

This year at Christmas Village, we'll be giving quarts of homemade soup to the families who come shop at the village....and we need YOUR help!

You can support this effort in three ways:

- 1) **DONATE** canned goods through our Amazon link. Items will be shipped directly to Canterbury.
- 2) **DROP OFF** canned items in the Chaos Storage Room located next to Rachel's office.

We need: canned corn, Rotel, Great Northern beans, Black beans, Kidney beans

- 3) **MAKE** the soup!

Scan the QR code to sign up for a shift on October 15!



Dad & Me Legion Soccer | October 18 | 4 PM

Join us for a special night out with your dad, grandpa, favorite uncle or another important guy! We'll cheer on the Legion as they take on Loudon FC during Fan Appreciation Night. \$20 per person. The first 22 kids to register will be Junior Captains and walk onto the field with the players during the national anthem!

Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

RISE Connect Retreat | October 23-24

4th-6th grades! Join us for a 24-hour overnight retreat at Camp Sumatanga with friends from area UMCs! We'll worship, hike, play, and hang out as we connect with one another and God. \$150. Registration Deadlines: October 1 for Canterbury priority; October 10 for the final deadline.

Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

YAC Journey Retreat | November 20-22

Journey will be held November 20-22 at Shocco Springs in Talladega. This retreat is for all 7th-12th graders (friends are welcome!). It's an awesome weekend filled with meaningful talks, amazing worship, fun games, and more! All students are highly encouraged to join us for this incredible retreat!

Sign up before the price increase on October 1.

Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth