

New Traditions August 17, 2025

Thank you for visiting!

We are so glad to have you as our guest in worship and we would love to connect with you. Let us know you are here by scanning this QR code or by following this link: www.canterburyumc.org/attendance



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 Bishop in Residence - Dr. Mike Watson Choirmaster and Organist - Dr. Lester Seigel

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, 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.

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 as you enter the worship space. 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 other followers of Christ. Since many of us come from different church backgrounds, this class is designed to clearly explain who we are, what we believe, and how you can take the next steps in partnering with us to build the Kingdom of God. After attending it is our hope you will decide to make Canterbury your new church home. To register for the next class, please contact Becky King at becky.king@canterburyumc.org.

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Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Rick Owen

* Hymn 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling, vv. 1, 2, 4

BEECHER

Collect

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Gloria In Excelsis



Psalter Reading (Chanted)

Psalm 133

Stan Nelson, cantor

Behold, how good and plea*sant it is | when we live together in *unity!

It is like the precious oil upon the head, running down up*on the beard, | upon the beard of Aaron, running down the collar *of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon which falls on the moun*tains of Zion! \mid

For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life for *evermore.

The Word of God for the peo*ple of God. | **Thanks *be to God.**

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive our sins, known and unknown, those things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All Pray in Silence

Kyrie 482

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Words of Pardon

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are a forgiven people. **Glory to God! Amen.**

* The Peace The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you, and also with you.



* The Lesson

Romans 12:1-2, 9-13

The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Hill Carmichael

Hymn 399 Take My Life, and Let it Be, vv. 1, 3 MESSIAH

Prayers of the People Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Anthem Bright Canaan Sacred Harp tune, arr. Shaw/Parker

O who will come and go with me? I am bound for the land of Canaan; I'm bound fair Canaan's land to see, I am bound for the land of Canaan. (Refrain) O Canaan, bright Canaan, I'm bound for the land of Canaan; O Canaan, it is my happy home, I am bound for the land of Canaan. I'll join with them who've gone before, where sin and sorrows are no more. (Refrain) Our songs of praise shall fill the skies, and higher still our joys they rise. (Refrain)

* Doxology & Wesley's Grace

OLD 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Be present at our table, Lord; be here and everywhere adored; Thy creatures bless, and grant that we may feast in paradise with Thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

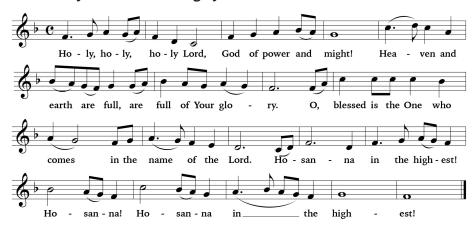
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through the prophets.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



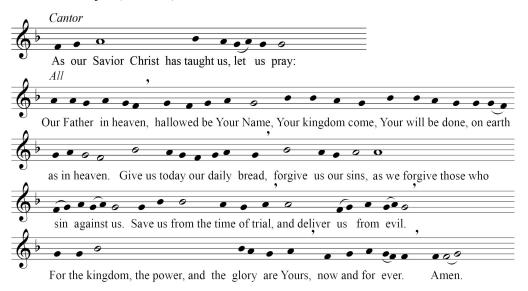
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.



The Lord's Prayer (Chanted)



Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who brings forth bread from the earth. Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, become one as we partake of it. Is not the breaking of this bread a means of sharing in the body of Christ?

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who creates the fruit of the vine. Is not the cup a means of sharing in the blood of Christ?

Fraction Anthem Agnus Dei BELL AGNUS

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

Receiving the Bread and Cup

are nourished of the Lord.

All are welcome to receive the sacrament. You do not have to be a member of Canterbury or of the United Methodist Church. It is the Lord's table and all of God's children are welcome. Ushers will quide you.

AnthemPanis Angelicus
Cesar Franck
Kathleen Buccleugh, soprano; Andrew Robertson, clarinet

The bread of the angels becomes the bread of mortals; the bread of heaven puts an end to preconceptions. O wondrous thing! the poor, the slave and the humble

* Prayer After Receiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. May we be transformed into your image. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- * Benediction
- * Choral Response

In Celebration

Wil and Sally Stewart are the proud parents of a baby boy, Wilson Rawls Stewart, Jr., born on August 6, 2025.

Thanksgiving for the lives of

Whitney Sandefer (Kacy & James David Sandefer's sister)	July 29, 2025
David Crawford (Kathy Crawford's husband)	August 7, 2025

Happening at Canterbury

NARCAN Training | Today | 11:45 AM

Jefferson Co. Health Dept. will conduct a very important NARCAN training session in the small dining room today from 11:45-12:45 PM. This is a free training and you will leave with a NARCAN kit.

Interest Meeting | Faith Pilgrimage Poland & Germany | August 24 | 11:30 AM

Join Rev. Tori Hastings and fellow Canterburians April 9-19 and follow the footsteps of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Reformation. For more details, plan to attend an Interest Meeting next Sunday, August 24 immediately after 10:30 AM worship in Wesley Hall.

Wednesday Night Bible Studies | Begin August 27

Our Pastors and Staff are teaching "Fall Favorites," their favorite books of the Bible. Register now for Sessions 1 & 2, there are so many to choose from! Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults

New Small Group for Young Married Couples Cookout | August 24 | 6 PM

Are you married, under 35, and looking to build community with others in the same season of life? Join us this fall for a brand-new small group led by Tommy and Leigh Ann Sisson. To kick things off, join us for a cookout on Sunday, August 24 at 6 PM. RSVP: matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org

Legacy Luncheon | August 26 | 12 Noon

Join us for a fun-filled Legacy Luncheon with The Basement Band—lifelong friends Lewis, Mike, and Vic, who turned basement jam sessions into a classic oldies adventure. Enjoy great food, good company, and toe-tapping tunes as we kick off the fall season in Canterbury Hall. (Lunch \$5) RSVP: valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org

NEXT STEPS | Begins September 7

This Sunday morning class is a basic introduction to our church family and a wonderful time for you to continue building connections with others. If you are interested in making Canterbury your church home, please join us on 9/7, 9/14 & 9/21. RSVP: becky.king@canterburyumc.org

Fall Kickoff

Wednesday Night Dinner & Fall Bible Studies

August 20

Canterbury Hall • 5-6:30 PM

Complimentary Chik-Fil-A Dinner & Ice Cream Sundae Bar Games & Inflatables for Kids • Preview of Fall Studies