

GREATEST HITS

OF THE BIBLE

SUMMER 2024



New Traditions

JUNE 2, 2024

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. Sheryl Thornton

Pastor - Rev. Sam Williamson

Pastor - Rev. Matthew Montgomery

Youth Pastor - Rev. Gann Waters - Wright

Bishop in Residence - Dr. Mike Watson

Choirmaster and Organist - Dr. Lester Seigel



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.

CANTERBURYUMC.ORG

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 sight, sounds, and interactions of worship are appropriate for every age. We have worship resources available as you enter the worship space including a Worship Activity bag.

Excellent nursery care is also 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.

Children's Ministry at Canterbury begins at birth.

Nursery is provided for infants and preschoolers for all regularly scheduled worship services. Nursery for other activities and church events can be provided. Please feel free to contact Selena Pitsch at selena.pitsch@canterburyumc.org with any questions about nursery. Canterbury uses a computer check-in system as part of our Safe Sanctuary Policy..

Help us to celebrate the new life in our congregation by sharing the exciting news with us! We need you to let us know when your family is welcoming a new baby and hope you will contact linda.carpenter@canterburyumc.org so that we can all celebrate another child in our midst.

Things to Know:

- *Hearing assist devices are now available – ask an usher for assistance*
- *The Children's Comfort Room is a place where you may sit with your child. It is adjacent to the Narthex*

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 New Traditions, Sanctuary and Contemporary worship services are available on our website.

CONNECT

Next Steps Class This class 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 these classes, it is our hope you will decide to make Canterbury your new church home. For more information, please contact Becky King at becky.king@canterburyumc.org.

MEET WITH ONE OF 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, the United Methodist Church, and anything else you want to talk about. Contact the church office at 205-871-4695 to set that up.

Contact Us

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To Join: matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org
205.868.6590 x2327

Pastoral Care Response Line: 205.999.4887

Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

* Hymn 674

See the Morning Sun Ascending, vv. 1, 2, 4

UNSER HERRSCHER

Collect

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

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Gloria In Excelsis

All f

Glo - ry to God in the high - est! Sing glo - ry to God! _____

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth! _____

Psalter Reading (Chanted)

Psalm 139: 1 - 6

Stan Nelson, cantor

O Lord, *you have searched me | and *known me!

You know me when I sit down and when *I rise up; you discern my thoughts *from afar.

You search out my path and my *lying down, and are acquainted with *all my ways.

Even before a word is on my *tongue, O Lord, | you know it *altogether.

You pursue me behind *and before, | and lay your *hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonder*ful for me; | it is high, I can*not attain it.

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

1 Samuel 17: 32-50

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

Sermon

Greatest Hits of the Bible: David and Goliath

Rev. Keith Thompson

Hymn 339

Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast, vv. 1, 2

HURSLEY

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Anthem

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Dale Wood

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the Head and Cornerstone;
Chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.
To this temple where we call thee, Come, O Lord of hosts today;
With thy wonted lovingkindness hear thy servants as they pray,
And thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.
Laud and honor to the Father, Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and one in glory, while unending ages run.

* 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.**

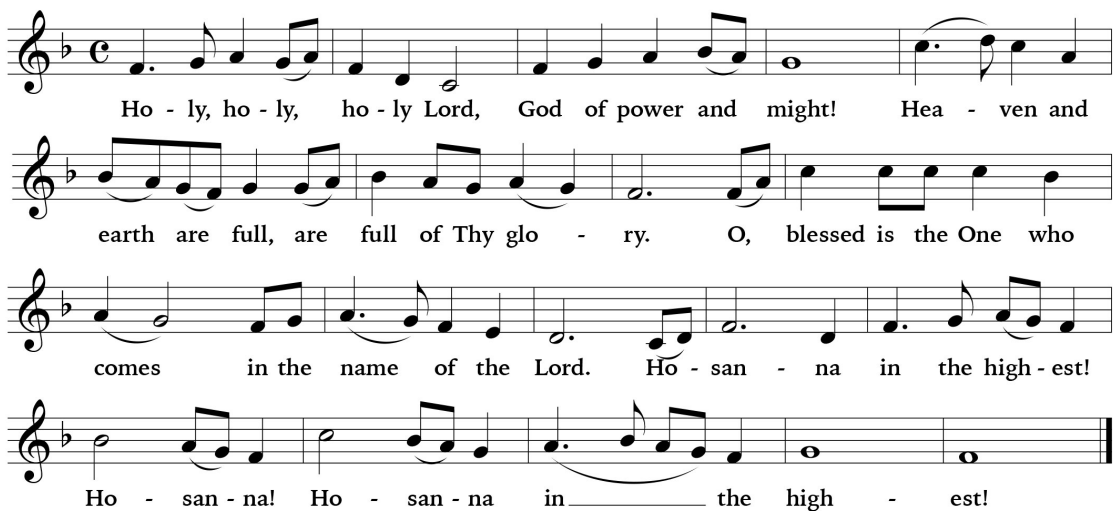
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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, Father Almighty, 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might! Hea - ven and
earth are full, are full of Thy glo - ry. O, blessed is the One who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

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:



Christ has died;__ Christ is ris - en; Christ__ will come a - gain!

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.

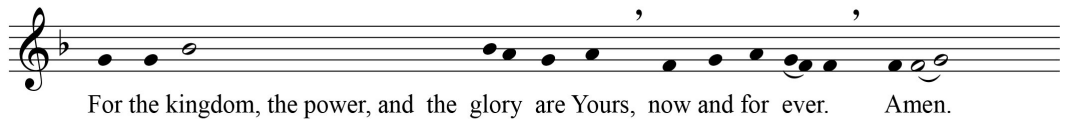
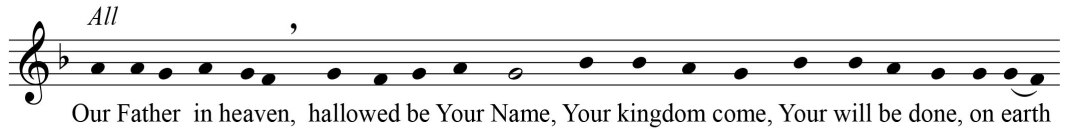
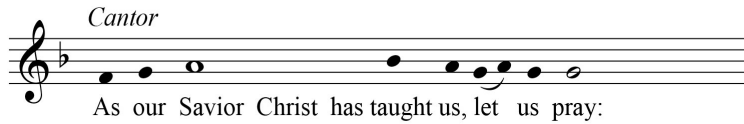
By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

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



A - men!__ A - men!__ A - - - men!

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

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 guide you.

An upper room with evening lamps ashine, the twelve disciples, and the table spread;
Now in our turn Christ bids us pour the wine, and in remembrance bless and break the bread.
We see by faith upon the cross displayed his body broken and his blood outpoured;
In that dread robe of majesty arrayed we gaze in worship on the dying Lord.
Dead for our sins, yet reigning now above; still to our hearts we find his presence given;
Take for ourselves the pledges of his love, foretaste and token of that feast in heaven.
So send us out, to love and serve and praise, filled with his Spirit, as the Master said:
Love, joy and peace the wine of all our days, Christ and his life our true and living bread.

*** 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****Congratulations to**

Elizabeth Ann Bendall & Jacob Daniel Dyson who were united in holy matrimony on June 1, 2024.

Retirement Love Offerings

Rev. Ruth Grissom and Rev. Sam Williamson will both be retiring this summer. You may express your gratitude to them by making a Love Offering. If you wish to make a donation toward these offerings, please send your check/checks to the Canterbury UMC Finance Office noting 'Love Offering – Pastor's Name' in the memo line. (Please note such gifts are not charitable contributions for tax purposes) Thank you for your support of these wonderful pastors who have both served Canterbury UMC with a deep love and commitment to our mission of real grace and real love in the midst of real life.

Happening at Canterbury

Provide VBC Snacks for our Volunteers

During the week of Vacation Bible Camp (June 10-13), we will provide a hospitality snack room as a small thank you for our volunteers! We would love to fill our snack room with soft drinks, water, and all kinds of great snacks. Homemade dips, chips, salty snacks, and sweets are always favorites. If you would like to provide a snack or drink drop them off anytime between June 1-12 at the round desk and place them on the cart provided by Kids@Canterbury.

Fall Studies Preview & Fellowship Event | June 11 | 12 Noon & 6 PM

Be in the know about what studies and offerings are coming this Fall and join us on Tuesday, June 11 to get all the details! Join us for a complimentary lunch at 12 Noon in the Renneker conference room - OR - join us for a complimentary dinner at 6 PM in Room M227. This will be a time to meet new people, learn about new studies, help plan and calendar the offerings as well as learn about leading a small group. Can't make it to church? A Zoom option will be available, the link will be sent out prior to the event. To reserve your spot, visit www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults. Please RSVP by June 6! Questions? Contact Annie Skinner at annie.skinner@canterburyumc.org.

YAC Summer Trips & Getaways | Register Now

Summer Getaways are day-trips where we go somewhere fun either in Birmingham or out-of-town! This summer, we have 5 Getaways planned, spots are limited so register your student now!

- June 12 - Activate Getaway
- June 19 - Six Flags Getaway
- July 24 - Getaway TBA
- July 31-Aug. 1 - Sr. High Rafting Getaway
- August 8 - Braves Game Getaway

If your student is interested in Sr. High Lake Trip (wait list) or Jr. High BigStuf Trip (wait list) please go ahead and add them to the wait list. Mission Week spots are still available! For info on all trips and getaways, and to register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Legacy Luncheon | June 25 | 12 Noon

Have you ever heard of Animal Assisted Therapy? Come learn about it and the amazing organization here in Birmingham that believes in the hope, healing, and unconditional love that only therapy animals and their handlers can provide. HAND IN PAW improves lives one wag at a time! Join us in Canterbury hall at 12 Noon on Tuesday, June 25 for lunch (\$5) and fellowship. Please RSVP by June 18 to Valerie Boyd at 205.874.1523 or valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org.



SUMMER WORSHIP

This summer at Canterbury, join us for worship at 8:15 AM in the Chapel for New Traditions or for a combined worship service at 10:30 AM.

10:30 AM Worship Rotation Location:

June 2	Contemporary Worship
June 9	Sanctuary Worship
June 16	Contemporary Worship
June 23	Sanctuary Worship
June 30	Contemporary Worship
July 7	Sanctuary Worship
July 14	Contemporary Worship
July 21	Sanctuary Worship
July 28	Contemporary Worship
August 4	Sanctuary Worship
August 11	Contemporary Worship

SUNDAY SCHOOL

An adult combined community Sunday School option will be held in Wesley Hall beginning June 2 through July 28. Each session will be lead by our pastors and will be livestreamed on the church Facebook & YouTube pages.

Topic: Journeys of Paul

Sundays | 9:15 AM | Wesley Hall



UMW Summer Meal Series Returns June 19

A favorite UMW fundraiser is back! They've partnered with three of our area's most popular and yummy restaurants to raise funds that will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations. The list of restaurants, locations, dates and times are below.

Be sure to mention "Canterbury Fundraiser" when you check out so UMW will receive a portion of the proceeds.

• June 19 | Taco Mama

Crestline location (5-9 PM)

• July 17 | Daniel George

Summer Night Out with Canterbury Friends

(11 AM-2 PM & *5:30-9:30 PM)

*Reservations are required for dinner hours, call 205.871.3266. Include "Canterbury UMW" when reserving.

• August 14 | Davenport's Pizza

Mtn. Brook location (5-9 PM)



Thank You for Joining Us Today!