



New Traditions

May 31, 2026

Trinity Sunday

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

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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

Eleanor Christiansen

* Hymn 64

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

NICAEA

Collect

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

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever 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 8: 1-5, 9

Stan Nelson, cantor

O *Lord, our Lord, | **how majestic is your name in *all the earth!**

Your glory is chanted a*bove the heavens | by the mouth of *babes and infants:

You have set up a defense a*gainst your foes, | to still the enemy and *the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work *of your fingers, | **the moon and the stars which you *have established;**

What are human beings that you are mind*ful of them, | **and mortals that you *care for them?**

Yet you have made them little *less than God, | and crowned us with glo*ry and honor.

O *Lord, our Lord, | **how majestic is your name in *all the earth!**

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

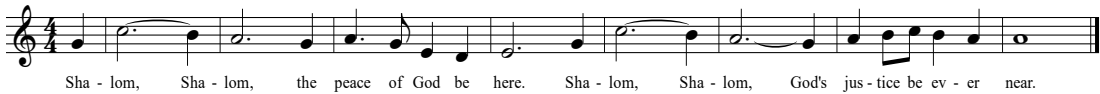
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

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.**



Baptism

Richmond Sharbrough Watson, Jr.

Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price. Our Lord has expressly given to little children a place among the people of God, which holy privilege must not be denied them. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus Christ, how He said, *"Let the children come to Me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God."*

To the parents

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you; Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people everywhere? **We do.**

Will you nurture Richmond Sharbrough in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example he may be guided to accept God's grace for himself to profess his faith openly, and to lead a Christian life? **We will.**

To the congregation

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ? **We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this family now before you in your care?

With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that Richmond Sarbrough, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

The Baptism

I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Now it is our joy to welcome our new brother into the body of Christ.

Through baptism we are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus.

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

Choral Response

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

STUTT GART

Child of blessing, Child of promise baptized with the Spirit's sign;
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

*** The Lesson**

Genesis 12; Genesis 28
The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Altars Along the Way

Rev. Hill Carmichael

*** Hymn 61**

Come, Thou Almighty King, vv. 1, 4

ITALIAN HYMN

Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Anthem

Father, We Praise Thee

Healey Willan

Father, we praise Thee, now the night is over, active and watchful, stand we all before Thee: Singing we offer prayer and meditation; thus we adore Thee. Monarch of all things, fit us for Thy mansions; Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending; Bring us to heaven, where Thy Saints united Joy without ending. All holy Father, Son and equal Spirit, Trinity blessed, send us Thy salvation: Thine is the glory, gleaming and resounding through all creation. Amen.

*** 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.**

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 Your 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 God, now and forever.

A - men!— A - men!— A - - - - - men!

The Lord's Prayer (Chanted)

Cantor

As our Savior Christ has taught us, let us pray:

All

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your Name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

Breaking the Bread and Giving the 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.*

Music During Communion

For the Fruits of This Creation

Welsh melody

*** 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**

Chapel Flowers

The flowers on the altar are placed in honor of the Encore families, volunteers, and staff
by Amanda Cartee.

PRESENTED FOR HOLY BAPTISM

RICHMOND SHARBROUGH WATSON, JR.

September 8, 2025

Parents: Betsy & Richmond Watson

Grandparents: Susan & (the late) Albert Watson, Kari & Bryan Cribb

Happening at Canterbury



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

Join us this morning Sunday, May 31 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!

Encore's 10 Year Celebration TODAY! | 11:30 AM



Worship today at 10:30 AM in the Contemporary Service for a special Encore recognition. Continue the celebration at 11:30 AM in Canterbury Hall with refreshments and fellowship. All invited!

Citywide Water Drive | Drop Off Now

A donation rack is located at Canterbury outside of the main entrance at the round desk. Cases of bottled water, Gatorade, and Powerade are being accepted to stock homeless shelters and cooling stations as we head into the summer months.

Summer Meal Series | Returns June 3

A favorite UMW fundraiser is back and once again they've partnered with some of our area's most popular restaurants to raise funds that will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations. Please participate and make sure to mention "Canterbury Fundraiser" when you check out!
> The first restaurant is BRICK & TIN on June 3 for lunch and dinner hours! (both locations)

Iron City Men's Breakfast | June 6

Join us June 6 at 8:30 AM at Trinity UMC to gather for breakfast, encouragement, stories of faith, and an opportunity to serve together this summer. The theme, "Blessed Are...", will focus on recognizing God's blessing among us and how he is working in our lives. \$15. Scan the QR code to sign up.



Vacation Bible School | July 20-23 Volunteers Needed!

Over 250 children are registered for VBS and we need volunteers to make it a huge success! This is open to youth and adults of all ages. Questions? Reach out to Eleanor Christiansen.
Volunteer: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

Register for Youth Summer Activities

Make plans for an unforgettable summer!

- Senior High Lake Trip (June 5-7)
- Junior High Adventure (June 15-18)
- Magic City Work Week (July 12-18)

Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Confirmation Registration | Now Open

All rising 7th graders are invited to register. Registration closes July 26, so sign up soon! A required parent meeting will be held August 9 following worship to learn more. Questions? Reach out to Eleanor Kerr.
Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth



Beach Reads | June 30 & July 28

Looking for the perfect summer read and meaningful conversation? Join Beach Reads! These relaxed gatherings 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.
Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults

Encouragers Registration | Now Open

This intergenerational women's ministry is designed to connect women of all ages through faith and friendship. Women meet monthly in small groups to pray, build relationships, and support each other through every season of life.

Looking for deeper community or spiritual encouragement? This is a place for you. Scan the QR code to sign up.

