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New Traditions

September 7, 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



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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

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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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

Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Keith Thompson

* Hymn 545

The Church's One Foundation, vv. 1, 3, 5

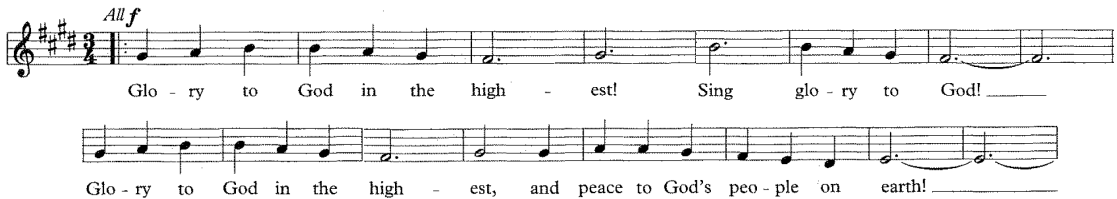
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Collect

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

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Gloria In Excelsis



Canticle of Love (Chanted)

Stan Nelson, cantor

Let love be genuine and live in *harmony; | hate what is evil, hold fast to *what is good.

Outdo one another in *showing honor; | be humble and ne*ver conceited.

Love is stronger than death and jealousy is cruel *as the grave; |

Floods cannot drown love and wealth can*not buy it.

Do not love in word or *speech only; | love also in deed *and in truth.

Receive each other in sin*cerity, | find mercy and grow *old together.

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

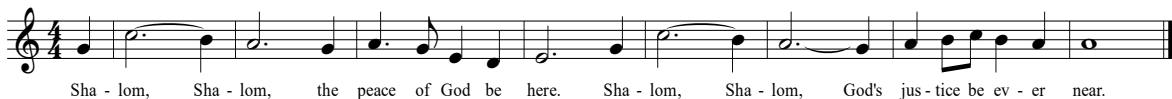
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

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

Hebrews 10: 24-25

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

Sermon

Come. Connect. Commit: COME

Rev. Hill Carmichael

Hymn 557

Blest Be the Tie That Binds, vv. 1, 2

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Prayers of the People

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

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Anthem

Come, Ye That Love the Lord

Sacred Harp, arr. Parker/Shaw

Come, ye that love the Lord, and let your love be known; join in a song of sweet accord, and thus surround the throne.

The sorrows of the mind be banished from this place; religion never was designed to make our pleasures less.

Let those refuse to sing who never knew our song; but favors of the heavenly King may speak their joys abroad.

* 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

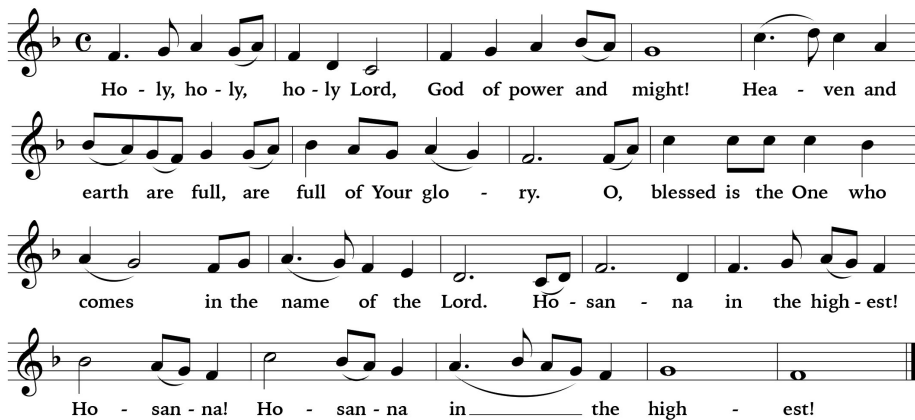
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

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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.

Music During Communion

Here, O My Lord

Eleanor Daley

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face; here would I touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace, and all my weariness upon Thee lean.
Here would I feed upon the bread of God, here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load, here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.
This is the hour of banquet and of song; this is the heavenly table spread for me;
Here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong the brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

Hymn 618

Let Us Break Bread Together

LET US BREAK 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**

Thanksgiving for the life of

Barbara Taylor (Paula Carter's mother).....August 27, 2025

Happening at Canterbury

Communion Server Training Sanctuary & New Traditions Services TODAY | 11:30 AM

Join us for Communion Server Training today from 11:30-12:30 in the Sanctuary as we prepare and equip volunteers to serve during the Lord's Supper with reverence, care, and understanding. Whether you're new or seasoned in serving communion, your participation helps ensure a meaningful worship experience for our church family.

RISE Climbing Event | September 14 3:30-6:30 PM

4th-6th graders... Let's go climb to new heights at the Hoover Climbing Adventure Complex on September 14. Drop off at 3:30 in the Chapel lot. Fee \$15, to cover climbing and pizza! RSVP: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

Legacy Luncheon | September 23 | 12 PM

Join us on September 23 for a very special and inspiring Legacy Luncheon as we welcome Dr. John Waits from Freedom Farm. RSVP by 9/18: valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org

Men's Breakfast | September 25 | 6:30 AM

Our quarterly Men's Ministry Breakfast will be held Thursday, September 25 at 6:30 AM in Canterbury Hall. Enjoy a great breakfast (\$12), wonderful fellowship, and words of inspiration. Hope you will join! RSVP: www.canterburyumc.org/mens-breakfast

Journey Retreat | November 21-23

Save the date! Journey will be held November 21-23 at Shocco Springs in Talladega, AL. This is for all 7th-12th graders (friends welcome!). Sign-up details to come! Stay tuned!

Wednesday Adult Studies | 6-7 PM Session 2 Begins October 1

Missed a study from Session 1 you wanted to catch? We're running these same favorite studies again for Session 2!

Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults

- ACTS - Hill Carmichael
- JOHN - Rick Owen
- REVELATION - Keith Thompson
- JOB - Matthew Montgomery
- PSALMS - Mike Watson
- JAMES - Tori Hastings
- GENESIS - Eleanor Christiansen & Natalie Moon
- JONAH - Annie Skinner
- PAUL - Lisa Donnell & Team

Wednesday Dinner | Canterbury Hall | 5-6 PM

Come enjoy a great meal and connect with your church family before Bible study, kids and youth activities. Served in Canterbury Hall from 5-6 PM. Cash and card accepted.

9/10 Menu:

Adults: BBQ Pork Sandwich, slaw and beans
Kids: Pizza, fruit, dessert

Grief Care | Begins October 1 | 12 Noon

When we lose someone we love, we embark on a journey not of our choosing. But it is a vital and sacred journey for grief just the same. This group serves as a means of self-care and shared community for persons in grief. Over the course of 6 weeks, we will listen, share and gain important tools in navigating our unique grief experiences. Led by Hill Carmichael on Wednesdays at 12 PM.

Register: www.canterburyumc.org/care