

Canterbury
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sanctuary Worship

April 12, 2026

Second Sunday in Eastertide

Thank you for joining us today!

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

Crucifer - Leigh Anne Precise

Acolytes - Charlie Brandenburg & Evelyn Brandenburg

Welcome to Canterbury

We are so glad you chose to worship with us!

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.

Things to Know - *Ask an usher for assistance!*

- *Listen Everywhere*, a bluetooth hearing app, is available as well as other hearing assist devices.
- The Children's Comfort Room is located adjacent to the Narthex, a quiet place for you and your child.

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

Voluntary Allegro, from Trio Sonata I J.S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Bill Morgan

* **Processional Hymn 304** Easter People, Raise Your Voices REGENT SQUARE

* **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* **Gloria Patri**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

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

Baptism Sloane Louise Friedman

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 Sloane Louise in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself to profess her 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 Sloane Louise, 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 sister 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

STUTTGART

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

Pastoral Prayer

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Anthem

Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedall

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly, in thy name, two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them: Alleluia, Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem. As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup then with thanks to God the Father, break the bread and bless the cup: Alleluia, Alleluia! So now knit thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee, that by sharing, helping, giving, we may true disciples be: Alleluia, Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.

*** Doxology**

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. Amen.

*** Gospel Processional 308**

Thine Be the Glory, v.1

JUDAS MACCABAEUS

*** The Lesson**

John 20: 19-31

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

*** Gospel Processional 308**

Thine Be the Glory, v. 3

JUDAS MACCABAEUS

Sermon

Rev. Hill Carmichael

The Great Thanksgiving

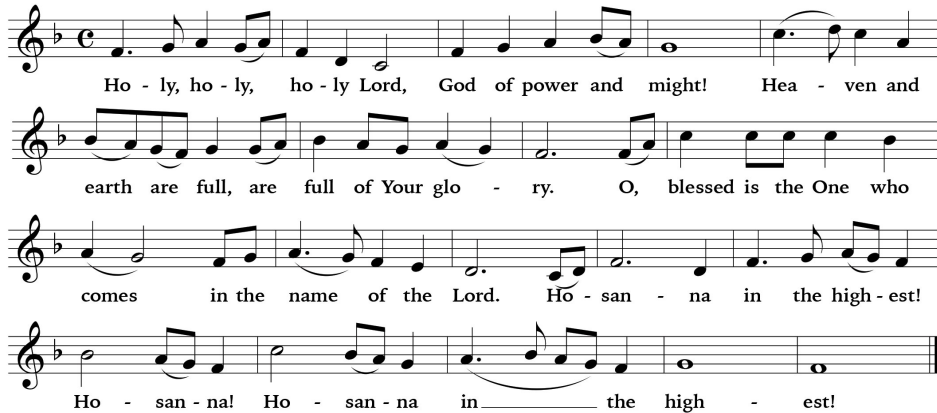
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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 ...
... 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 ...
... 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 ...
... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.



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

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray together:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem

Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus

Rebecca Bolding, cantor

Sung Refrain: **Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

Breaking the Bread and Giving the Cup

Music During Communion

Easter Prayer

Sam Batt Owens

As once you were in Mary’s womb, you also were in Joseph’s tomb,
The tomb by you a womb was made, you are the firstborn from the dead.
As once you were with God on high, on earth we made you bow and die;
In bowing so you became the King. “Thy Kingdom come” all saints now sing.
As once this bread was just mere food, also this wine a common drink;
So now this cup contains your blood, the bread does now your body link.
As once in sin we shamefully lay, through your own flesh has opened the way,
The way to life for evermore, with you whom we would e’er adore. Amen.

Hallelu!

ST Kimbrough

(Refrain) Hallelu, Christ is risen! Now the stone’s rolled away!

Hallelu, Christ is risen! Proclaim the news today!

More courageous than the men, when Christ his breath resigned,
Women first the grace obtain their living Lord to find. (Refrain, ST Kimbrough)

Women first the news proclaim, know resurrection’s power,
Teach the apostles of the Lamb who lives to die no more. (Refrain)

Joyful tidings of their Lord these messengers proclaim,
Jesus Christ to life restored and pardon through his name. (Refrain)

O might I like them now hear, these witnesses receive;

Empty find the sepulcher, and wonder and believe! (Refrain)

(Charles Wesley)

*** Dismissal & Blessing**

*** Choral Benediction**

*** Postlude**

Thanksgiving for the lives of

Martha Hastings (Judy Pittman’s mother).....March 30, 2026

Doris Townsend (Kim Gladney’s mother).....March 30, 2026

Josephine “Meagher” Whigham (Lucie Haynes & Kimberly Bean’s sister).....April 2, 2026

PRESENTED FOR HOLY BAPTISM

SLOANE LOUISE FRIEDMAN

June 24, 2025

Parents: Theresa & Jeffrey Edwin Friedman, Jr.

Sibling: Maisie

Grandparents: Jeff & Anise Friedman, Ray & Helen Johnston

Happening at Canterbury

Men's Breakfast | April 23 | 6:30 AM

Join us for breakfast on April 23 from 6:30-7:30 AM in Canterbury Hall. Our guest speaker will be Rev. James C. Fields, who served in the Alabama House of Representatives from 2008 until 2010 and is the pastor at St. James - Irondale UMC. (\$15)
Register: www.canterburyumc.org/mens-ministry

Enneagram Speaker & Author | April 23 | 6 PM

Join us for a special book signing and conversation with author Joey Schewee, in partnership with Little Professor. Building on the Enneagram wisdom of her mother, Suzanne Stabile, Joey offers fresh, practical insight for everyday life...whether you're new to the Enneagram or a longtime student. 6-8 PM Wesley Hall.

Kenya Mission & Water Filter Fundraiser

This summer, a team from Canterbury will travel to Nakuru, Kenya, partnering with Start With One Kenya to share Christ's love in tangible ways. We invite you to support our Abundant Life Water Filters initiative, providing UZIMA ("life") water filtration systems for families without safe drinking water. Your gifts will be shared equally - supporting the purchase of filters and helping send our team to serve.



Thank you for being part of this life-giving mission! Donate any amount by scanning the QR code, or delivering a check to the Finance Office marked Kenya Mission.

Next Steps | Begins April 26 | 9:15 AM

New to Canterbury? This Sunday morning class is a basic introduction to our church family and a wonderful time for you to connect with others. If you are interested in making Canterbury your church home, please join us on 4/26, 5/3 & 5/10.
Register: Email becky.king@canterburyumc.org.

Love Again Toy Drive | Now - April 28

Help share joy with children in Alabama's Black Belt through this drive led by Ashlee Fulmer. Donate gently used toys and games (no furniture or clothing), in very good condition. Place items directly in the Attic Plus truck in the Chapel lot (not at the front desk or Chaos room). The last day to deliver donations is April 28.

Calm Before the Stork | May 3 | 9:30 AM

Growing your family through birth, adoption, or fostering? Join us to learn how Canterbury will support you in these sacred days. We'll cover baptism, nursery and Sunday School, and share helpful resources for your little one—plus get you on our prayer list.
Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

Mom & Me Cupcake Challenge | May 3 | 2 PM

Kids! You're invited to a super sweet afternoon of fun at 2 PM in Canterbury Hall. Bring your mom, grandmother, or a special adult friend and team to decorate based on our surprise theme. Get creative, add a little friendly competition, and enjoy plenty of frosting, sprinkles, and laughter along the way.
Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children



David Thomas & Sissy Goff | April 28 Capable: The Book Tour

David Thomas returns to Canterbury with Sissy Goff for a meaningful evening for parents. With more than 30 years of experience as therapists at Daystar Counseling Ministries, they offer practical wisdom and deep compassion for children and families. As authors, speakers, and hosts of the Raising Boys & Girls podcast, they'll share insights from their new book, *Capable: How To Teach Your Kids the Strengths, Skills, and Strategies to Build Resilience*. *This is a must-attend event for all parents!*



Purchase Tickets: www.tprlive.co
Or scan the QR code!



Puccini's
Messa di
Gloria
April 26
4:30 p.m.
Sanctuary | free

The Canterbury Choir
with orchestra
Lester Seigel, director



You are invited...

Canterbury Choir Concert
April 26 | 4:30 PM
Sanctuary

Experience the beauty and power of Giacomo Puccini's *Messa di Gloria* in a stunning performance by our Canterbury Choir, accompanied by full orchestra. This beloved masterpiece blends rich harmonies and soaring melodies, creating a deeply moving and unforgettable musical experience. Join us in the Sanctuary for an inspiring afternoon that uplifts the soul and stirs the spirit. Invite a friend and come be part of this meaningful time together.

This special concert is free and open to all.



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