

# ***Sanctuary Worship***

***July 7, 2024***



*Wigal Brankling*



**Canterbury**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## 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](http://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. Matthew Montgomery

**Pastor** - Rev. Rick Owen

**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.

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# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

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## **Contact Us**

**Church Office:** 205.871.4695

**To Join:** [matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org](mailto:matthew.montgomery@canterburyumc.org)  
205.868.6590 x2327

**Pastoral Care Response Line:** 205.999.4887

# Order of Worship

**Voluntary**

Clair de Lune

Gabriel Fauré

## Welcome and Announcements

\* **Processional Hymn 158**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

LAUDA ANIMA

\* **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.*

**Anthem**

They Follow Me

Leland Sateren

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me, And I give unto them eternal life. And they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. (John 10: 27-28)

## Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

**Anthem**

Down in the River to Pray  
Selby Whaley, solo

arr. Eric Nelson

As I went down in the river to pray, studying about that good old way,  
And who shall wear the golden crown, good Lord, show me the way.

O brothers, let's go down; O sisters, let's go down in the river to pray.  
Deep river, my home is over Jordan. O don't you want to go to the gospel feast,  
That promised land, where all is peace?

\* **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 Procession 381**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us, vv. 1

BRADBURY

**Gospel Lesson**

John 21: 15 - 19

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

\* **Gospel Procession 381**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us, vv. 2

BRADBURY

**Sermon**

Two People

Rev. Gann Waters-Wright

**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 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....  
... 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.**

### Breaking the Bread and Giving the Cup

- \* **Closing Hymn 545**      The Church's One Foundation, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5      AURELIA
- \* **Dismissal & Blessing**
- \* **Recessional Prayer**      Allen Harrell, cantor

**The flowers on the Sanctuary altar** are placed in honor of Ashley Jane Epperson & Hilyer Leon Isbell who were united in holy matrimony on July 6, 2024.

### Thanksgiving for the Life of

Ernie Gauld (Debbie Lofton's father).....July 2, 2024

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### **We Are Hiring! Financial Assistant**

The ideal candidate will have a college degree in accounting and have experience in accounting practices and procedures, budgeting, financial management, and financial analysis. Please share with anyone that you know who may be interested! For details: [www.canterburyumc.org/welcome/careers](http://www.canterburyumc.org/welcome/careers)

# Happening at Canterbury



## Coming September 6 & 7! Spiritual Practices and the Enneagram

Canterbury is excited to announce that we will be hosting a special event on September 6 & 7 featuring Rev. Joseph and Suzanne Stabile. ([www.suzannestable.com](http://www.suzannestable.com))

Our ways of connecting with God are as varied as our Enneagram numbers. This 2-day workshop will walk participants through varied spiritual practices, practical application and expectations, and the struggles and benefits that each enneagram personality presents along the way. Cost: \$99. Friday, September 6 from 6-9 PM & Saturday, September 7 from 9 AM-5 PM. For more details and to register, visit: [www.lifeinthetrinityministry.com/alabama](http://www.lifeinthetrinityministry.com/alabama)



This UMW fundraiser is in full swing and is raising funds that will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations. Coming up is a fun Canterbury Night Out at Daniel George. Make your dinner reservations for July 17! Be sure to mention “Canterbury Fundraiser” when you check out so UMW will receive a portion of the proceeds. We hope to see you there!

- **July 17 | Daniel George** (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)

## Youth Mission Week | July 14-19

YAC is partnering with Urban Ministry! During the day, students will work at different sites throughout the downtown Birmingham area. Before and after work sessions, they will have incredible worship experiences that will engage students through music, games, and a message. To register: [www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth](http://www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth)

## Use Your Noodle | Summer Volunteers Needed

This is a four week high quality, creative summer enrichment camp that takes place at Avondale Samaritan Place. The program is open to students who have completed K, 1st, 2nd or 3rd grades and attend one of the 6 approved area elementary schools. UYN focuses on literacy, math and science in order to guide students toward a lifetime love of learning! Use Your Noodle needs adult volunteers to make this summer a success. You can help by assisting onsite with reading and art, or by preparing sack lunches. For ways to help: [www.canterburyumc.org/community/avondale-samaritan-place](http://www.canterburyumc.org/community/avondale-samaritan-place)

## Parking Deck Closed for Repairs | Beginning July 8

Required maintenance on the parking deck will take place in early July and it will be closed for approximately 3 weeks. Thank you for your patience!



*Thank You for Joining Us Today!*