

GREATEST HITS

OF THE BIBLE

SUMMER 2024



Sanctuary Worship

JUNE 23, 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

Church Office: 205.871.4695

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

Pastoral Care Response Line: 205.999.4887

Order of Worship

Voluntary

Selected from “Mass for the Parishes”

François Couperin

Welcome and Announcements

* Processional Hymn 100

God, Whose Love is Reigning O'er Us

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.

Children's Moment

Eleanor Kerr

Call to Prayer

O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines

JERUSALEM

O day of peace that dimly shines through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
Guide us to justice, truth, and love, delivered from our selfish schemes.
May swords of hate fall from our hands, our hearts from envy find release,
Till by God's grace our warring world shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.
Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce devour the small;
As beasts and cattle calmly graze, a little child shall lead them all.
Then enemies shall learn to love, all creatures find their true accord;
The hope of peace shall be fulfilled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

Baptism

James Warren Lenaghan and Caroline Drew Fowler

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 James Warren and Caroline Drew in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example they may be guided to accept God's grace for themselves to profess their 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 James Warren and Caroline Drew, 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 and 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 members of the family of Christ.

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

Bright Mansions
Kathleen Buccleugh, soloist

Spiritual, arr. K. Lee Scott

In bright mansions above, Lord, I want to live up yonder in bright mansions above.
My father's gone to glory; I want to go there, too.
My mother's gone to glory; I want to go there, too.

* **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.**

* **Hymn 140**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 8: 1 - 22

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

Sermon

Greatest Hits of the Bible: Noah's Ark

Rev. Hill Carmichael

* **Closing Hymn 733**

Marching to Zion

MARCHING TO ZION

* **Dismissal & Blessing**

* **Recessional Prayer**

Allen Harrell, cantor

Congratulations to

Camille Fuller Crocker & Charles David Hornady who were united in holy matrimony on June 22, 2024.

The flowers on the Sanctuary altar are placed in honor of Stephanie Dianne Connor & Daniel James Parker who were united in holy matrimony on June 22, 2024.

Thanksgiving for the Lives of

Jayne Ogilvie (Major Ogilvie's wife).....June 18, 2024

Jo Ann Curtis (David Evans' mother).....June 18, 2024

Frank Mason (Anne Chambliss' father).....June 18, 2024

PRESENTED FOR HOLY BAPTISM

JAMES WARREN LENAGHAN

January 23, 2024

Parents: Helen Fagan Lenaghan & Thomas Lloyd Lenaghan

Grandparents: Madeline Fagan, Jimmy Lenaghan, Barbara Lenaghan

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CAROLINE DREW FOWLER

September 18, 2023

Parents: David Andrew Fowler, Jr. & Amanda Booth Fowler

Grandparents: Erin & David Fowler, Rene & Timothy Booth

Great-grandparent: Margaret Booth



This UMW fundraiser is in full swing and is raising funds that will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations. Thanks to those who supported the outing this week at Taco Mama. Next 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)

Retirement Reception for Rev. Sam Williamson | June 30 | 11:30 AM

On Sunday, June 30 immediately following the 10:30 AM combined worship service, we will celebrate Sam Williamson and his upcoming retirement. The reception will be held in Canterbury Hall. All are invited to come and thank Sam for the 29 years that he has served Canterbury UMC with a deep love and commitment to our mission of real grace and real love in the midst of real life.

Retirement Love Offering

If you’d like to express your gratitude to Sam Williamson, you may make a Love Offering in his honor. Please send your check to the Canterbury UMC Finance Office noting ‘Love Offering – Sam Williamson’ in the memo line. Thank you for your love and support!

Happening at Canterbury

Summer Community Sunday School | Sundays | 9:15 AM

“Journeys of Paul” continues! It is held in Wesley Hall and each session is hosted by one of our pastors. Also! It’s livestreamed on the church Facebook & YouTube pages. (This class will not be held July 7)

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 to Valerie Boyd at 205.874.1523 or valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org.

YAC Summer Getaways

Summer Getaways are day-trips where we go somewhere fun either in Birmingham or out-of-town! Spots are limited so register your student now!

- July 24 - Getaway TBA
- July 31 - Aug. 1 - Sr. High Rafting Getaway
- August 8 - Braves Game Getaway

To register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Youth Mission Week | July 14-19

Mission Week is coming in July! Register now! YAC will stay at UAB and are 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

Use Your Noodle 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

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