

REAL



Sanctuary Worship

June 8, 2025

The Day of Pentecost

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. Matthew Montgomery

Pastor - Dr. Rick Owen

Youth Pastor - Rev. Gann Waters - Wright

Bishop in Residence - Dr. Mike Watson

Choirmaster and Organist - Jim Cook



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. 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. 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 activity bags available as you enter the worship space. 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. Nursery is provided for infants and preschoolers for all regularly scheduled worship services. Canterbury uses a computer check-in system as part of our Safe Sanctuary Policy. Nursery for other activities and church events can be provided. Please email Breana Stallings at breana.stallings@canterburyumc.org with any questions about the nursery.

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 email 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*

Worship Online We strive to be a church that is accessible to you whenever and however you need us! All Sunday worship services are available through:

Website

www.canterburyumc.org/worship/worship-online

Facebook

www.facebook.com/CanterburyUMChurch

YouTube

www.youtube.com/@CanterburyUMC

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

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Order of Worship

Voluntary

Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, BuxWV 200

Dietrich Buxtehude

Welcome and Announcements

*** Processional Hymn 539**

O Spirit of the Living God

FOREST GREEN

*** 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

Anthem

Suddenly There Came A Sound From Heaven

Gregor Aichinger

Suddenly there came a new sound from heaven: the holy Spirit came forth unto them; it came where they were seated, and filled them with the spirit of the Lord by telling them of God's own mercies. Alleluia!

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

Come Down, O Love Divine Vaughan Williams, arr. Diettermich

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing; O Comforter,
draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round,
the while my path illuming. And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long
shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace,
till he become the place wherein the holy Spirit makes his dwelling. Amen.

* 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.**

The Lesson

Acts 2: 1-18

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

Hymn 332

Spirit of Faith, Come Down, vv. 1, 2, 4

BEALOTH

Sermon

Real Grace for Real Life: Real Grace Warms Our Hearts

Rev. Keith Thompson

* Closing Hymn 88

Maker in Whom We Live

DIADEMATA

* Dismissal & Blessing

* Recessional Prayer

Ted Clark, cantor

Thanksgiving for the life of

William Walker Jessup (Ann Jessup's father).....May 30, 2025

Happening at Canterbury

Adult Sunday Summer School | 9:30 AM | Wesley Hall

Each Sunday, one of our pastors will lead a group-style discussion class that will follow the sermon series...focusing on the sermon and scripture of the day! Summer is a great time to mix things up, meet new friends and try something new, so join us for a fun "SUMMER SCHOOL" option on Sunday mornings.

Use Your Noodle Needs YOU!

Avondale Samaritan Place's Use Your Noodle summer enrichment program is in session! You can help make it incredible for the local children who will attend by packing lunches, providing snacks or teacher happies! To sign up, please email Rachel at rachel.estes@canterburyumc.org.

Summer Meal Series | LaPaz | June 18

This favorite UMW fundraiser is in full swing... and they've partnered with our area's most popular and yummy restaurants to raise funds that will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations. Be sure to mention "Canterbury Fundraiser" when you check out so UMW will receive a portion of the proceeds. Join us for lunch or dinner on Wednesday, June 18 at LaPaz in Crestline.

EngAGE Lunch & Learn | July 8

Please join us for a lunch and learn with Lifecare Solutions whose mission is to support, educate and provide ongoing expertise and resources to families through compassion, guidance and understanding. They are committed to helping their clients with a plan of care through all stages of the aging process. Learn about resources to help you and your family. \$10 per person. 12 Noon - Canterbury Hall. Please RSVP to Valerie Boyd at valerie.boyd@canterburyumc.org.

Men's Breakfast | July 24 | 6:30 AM

Our quarterly Men's Ministry Breakfast will be held Thursday, July 24 at 6:30 AM in Canterbury Hall. Enjoy a great breakfast (\$12), wonderful fellowship, and words of inspiration. Hope you will join us and bring a friend! Go ahead and sign up at: www.canterburyumc.org/mens-breakfast

VBS Volunteers Needed | July 28-31

Our rising 4K-3rd graders are going to have a blast at VBS week, Dive Deep! We will go on our deep water adventure July 28-31 from 9 am-noon each day and will need many adult helpers to make it a SPLASH! Sign up: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

YAC Summer Trips & Getaways

- June 23-26 — Jr. High Adventure Trip
- June 11 — Activate Getaway
- July 13-18 — Magic City Work Week
- June 18 — Braves Game Getaway

Sign up: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth/#summer

ENCOURAGERS Interest

In September, Canterbury will launch Encouragers - an intergenerational women's program. The goal is to form many small groups of all ages to meet together once a month for a year for fellowship, prayer and service. Sign up to be a part of it at: bit.ly/43pCwfe

Summer Service Opportunities

YARD WORK MINISTRY

Many of our neighbors are unable to maintain their yards during the summer months because of age, disability, or other health challenges. Volunteers 16+ are welcome. If you'd like to volunteer to help (mowing, minor pruning, etc.), email Pastor Malinda (malinda@avonumc.net). Work days are typically Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 AM-12 PM. This ministry runs through September.

FOOD CO-OP MINISTRY

Help out on Monday mornings from 8:15am-10:15am with the food co-op at Avondale Samaritan Place 500 40th Street South. All are welcome....strong backs appreciated.

EAST LAKE FARMER'S MARKET

Saturday Mornings - 7753 1st Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35206. Arrive at 7:30am and check in at the Market info booth. Wear sunscreen and a hat! You'll be helping put produce in boxes and then delivering it to Villa Maria! This is a great activity for families and small groups...don't forget to buy baked goods and other fun stuff at this amazing Market! Any Saturday between June 17 and July 22. Good for most all ages. Questions? Email sally@eastlakemarket.org.

THREE HOTS & A COT

Make THANK YOU cards for our homeless veterans for the 4th of July! Draw a picture or write a thank you note and stick in the mail by June 30th! Feel free to use the church address (350 Overbrook Road, 35213) and sign just your first name or initial! You can address the card to "A hero at 2124 Old Springville Rd Birmingham, AL 35215"

ANYTIME PROJECTS:

- Make 25 Snack bags (suggestions: snack cracker packs, vienna sausages, bottled water, fruit cups, pudding cups, granola bars) and deliver to ASP to share with their homeless ministry.
- Pack up 5 fun bags for senior citizens for our Beeson Social Workers to deliver. Lotion, soft socks, chapstick, and a note of encouragement will go a long way to bring a smile! Drop at Canterbury UMC for the social workers to pick up.
- Pick up some cleaning supplies and donate to Community Furniture Bank! Drop at: 219 Distribution Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209
- Do a food drive on your street (or at your pool or wherever!). Collect rice, peanut butter, jelly, flour, sugar, oil, etc.! Drop at Urban Ministries 1229 Cotton Ave SW, Birmingham, AL 35211
- Take bottled waters, Gatorades, etc. to Highlands UMC (or send via Amazon!!!). 1045 20th St South, Birmingham, AL 35205. Email Danny with questions at danny@highlandsumc.net.
- Eat lunch at Urban Ministries WE CAFÉ! Delish way to support a ministry!!! M-F 11:30am-1pm. 1229 Cotton Ave SW, Birmingham, AL 35211

SUMMER WORSHIP

This summer at Canterbury, join us for worship at 8:15 AM in the Chapel for New Traditions* or for a combined worship service at 10:30 AM.

** New Traditions will not be held on July 6.*

10:30 AM Worship Location Rotation:

June 8	Sanctuary Worship
June 15	Contemporary Worship
June 22	Sanctuary Worship
June 29	Contemporary Worship
July 6*	Contemporary Worship
July 13	Sanctuary Worship
July 20	Contemporary Worship
July 27	Sanctuary Worship
August 3	Contemporary Worship
August 10	Sanctuary Worship