

FAITH

ON THE MOVE



Sanctuary Worship

June 21, 2026

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Thank you for joining us!

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

Children's Pastor - Rev. Eleanor Christiansen

Bishop in Residence - Dr. Mike Watson

Choirmaster and Organist - Dr. Lester Seigel

Crucifer - Leigh Anne Precise

Acolytes - Charlie Brandenburg & Evelyn Bradenburg



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. 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 - *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 We strive to be a church that is accessible to you whenever and however you need us! 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 quarterly 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. To set that up, contact the church office at 205-871-4695.

CONTACT US

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Order of Worship

Voluntary

O God, Thou Faithful God

Johannes Brahms

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Matthew Montgomery

* Processional Hymn 545

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

* 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

Maddie Moravek

Baptism

Mary Roberts Nabors

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 Mary Roberts 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 Mary Roberts, 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

STUTT GART

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 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

Sweet Rivers of Redeeming Love

William Moore, arr. Davis

Sweet rivers of redeeming love stand just before my eyes; had I the pinions of a dove I'd to those regions rise. I'd rise superior to my pain, with joy outstrip the wind; I'd cross proud Jordan's swelling flood, and leave the world behind.

A few more days or years at most my troubles will be o'er. I long to join that heavenly host on Canaan's happy shore. My raptured soul shall drink and feast in Love's unbounded sea, the glorious hope of endless rest is ravishing to me.

O come, my Savior, come away, and bear me to the sky, nor let thy chariot long delay, make haste and bring it nigh. I long to see thy glorious face and in thine image shine, to triumph in victorious grace and be forever thine.

*** 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 590	Christ Loves the Church, v. 1	HIGH STREET
* The Lesson	Matthew 5: 1-14 <i>The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.</i>	
* Gospel Procession 590	Christ Loves the Church, vv. 3, 4	HIGH STREET
Sermon	Faith on the Move: Serving Wherever You Land	Dr. Rick Owen
* Closing Hymn 571	Go, Make of All Disciples, vv. 1, 4	LANCASHIRE
* Dismissal & Blessing		
* Recessional Prayer		Ted Clark, cantor
Postlude		

Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers on the sanctuary altar are placed in loving memory of Harry J. Littleton, M.D. by his family.

Congratulations to

- Amy & Steven Cullen, proud parents of Cosette Amelia Cullen, born on June 8, 2026.
 - Sarah & Teddy Badami, proud parents of Theodore Dominic Badami, III, born on June 10, 2026.
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PRESENTED FOR HOLY BAPTISM

MARY ROBERTS NABORS

December 10, 2025

Parents: Caroline & Douglas Nabors

Grandparents: Doug & Bradley Nabors, Susan & (the late) Bobby Driggers

Great-Grandmother: Susan Deason

Happening at Canterbury



Beach Reads | June 30 & July 28

Looking for the perfect summer read and meaningful conversation? These relaxed gatherings on two TUESDAY evenings combine great books, fellowship, and faith-filled discussion. Whether you're reading by the pool, at the beach, or on your back porch, this is a wonderful way to stay connected and grow in community this summer. [5:30 dinner, 6:00 studies]

Scan the QR code to register or visit:

www.canterburyumc.org/grow/adults



JUNE 30 | Book Selections

- *Capable*, by Goff & Thomas - Natalie Moon
- *The Universal Christ*, by R. Rohr - Matthew Montgomery
- *The After Party*, by Chang & French - Bill Morgan
- *You Are What You Love: The Spiritual Power of Habit*, by Butcher & James - JohnCarl Hastings

JULY 28 | Book Selections

- *Capable*, by Goff & Thomas - Hill Carmichael
- *My Friends*, by F. Backman - Annie Skinner
- *The Prayers of Peter Marshall*, by C. Marshall - Natalie Moon
- *Daring Greatly*, by B. Brown - Matthew Montgomery

Adult Summer Sunday School | 9:30 AM "Lessons from the Front Porch"

Join us in Wesley Hall during the Sunday School hour for a combined class featuring a different guest speaker and topic each week. Meet us on the porch for meaningful conversation, fresh perspectives and community. All are invited!

Encouragers Registration | Now Open

Connect with women of all ages through faith, friendship, and encouragement. Small groups meet monthly to pray, build relationships, and support one another through every season of life. Looking for deeper community? Join us! Scan the QR code to register.



YAC Magic City Work Week | July 12-18

This is an amazing week where we'll serve in the West End area painting and repairing houses. For grades 7-12th in the 2025-26 school year. Register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Men's Breakfast | July 16 | 6:30 AM

Men of all ages are invited to join us for a summer morning of fellowship, great food, and good conversation. Come connect with friends, meet someone new, and start your day together in community.

Register: www.canterburyumc.org/mens-ministry

Vacation Bible School | July 20-23 Volunteers Needed!

Over 300 children are registered and we need volunteers to make it a huge success – open to youth and adults of all ages. Questions? Reach out to Eleanor Christiansen.

Volunteer: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children



SUMMER MEAL SERIES



JUNE 3

both locations



JUNE 17

Mountain Brook
*(dinner only)



JUNE 24

Crestline



JULY 8

Mountain Brook



JULY 22

Crestline
*(dinner only)



JULY 29

Crestline

This UMW fundraiser is back! Once again, they have partnered with some of our area's most popular restaurants to raise funds that will help support deserving not-for-profit organizations. Please make plans to participate and make sure to mention "Canterbury Fundraiser" when you check out!



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