

How to be
♥ Human



Sanctuary Worship

November 3, 2024

All Saints' Sunday

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. Matthew Montgomery

Pastor - Dr. 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. 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 Selena Pitsch at selena.pitsch@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

All Saints' Sunday

Voluntary

The Joy of the Redeemed

Clarence Dickinson

Welcome and Announcements

* **Processional Hymn 711**

For All the Saints, vv. 1-4, 6

SINE NOMINE

Prayer of Confession and Words of Forgiveness

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Kyrie 482

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Minister: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

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

Pastoral Prayer

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Anthem

At the River
Millicent Hawthorne, organist

Aaron Copland

* **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 Hymn 709**

Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above, vv. 1-2

FOREST GREEN

Gospel Lesson

John 11: 32-44
The word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

How to be Human: What is a Person?

Rev. Keith Thompson

The Great ThanksgivingThe 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

Never Weather-Beaten Sail

Richard Shephard

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore.
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more,
Than my wearied sp'rit now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.

Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high Paradise.
Cold age deafs not there our ears nor vapour dims our eyes:
Glory there the sun outshines whose beams the blessed only see:
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee! (Thomas Campion)

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

V. Earle Copes

*** Dismissal & Blessing**

*** Choral Benediction**

Alleluia

SINE NOMINE

Congratulations to

Sydney & Alex Smith, the proud parents of a baby boy, Walter McDonald Smith "Mac", born on October 23, 2024.

Nicole & Sam Donnell, the proud parents of a baby boy, Sam Howe Donnell, V "Jack", born on October 24, 2024.

The flowers on the Sanctuary altar

Are placed in honor of Laine Bridges Alby & Michael Robinett Smith who were united in holy matrimony on November 2, 2024.

Thanksgiving for the life of

Robert "Bob" H. Ramsbacher (Ron Ramsbacher's father).....October 27, 2024

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

2023-2024

All Saints' Day remembers those of our congregation who have died in the last year as well as those who have died throughout the Church universal. Offer a prayer of thanksgiving for these departed Saints and a prayer for healing for all those who grieve their passing.

Thomas "Tom" Sumners Adams

Ralph Homer Aldridge Jr.

Ernest Fletcher Allen Sr.

Leigh Hill Allison

Walker "Percy" Badham

Reginald "Reg" Baker

Penny P. Barcroft

Anne Liles Berte

Kathie A. Bloom

Elsie Carmichael Boyd

Violet Wesley Brumback

Jeffery Chubick

Susan Schotta Cochran

Anne Brugh Collum

Jo Ann Hunter Curtis

Thomas Edwin Doster

Geraldine "Gerry" Wellons Pearce Dunham

Judy Bullock Fitzpatrick

Dr. H. Joseph Hughes M.D.

Edward Owen Hunter Jr.

Jerry Anne Nelson Johnson

Beth Stisher Kennedy

Wayne Worden Killion III

Jean Hay Land

Joan B. Lauterbach

Belva Jones Lyon

Jean Quarles Mary

Frank LaFayette Mason

Joseph Reed McCracken

Jayne Walton Ogilvie

Mary "Kay" Katherine Payne

Betty Louise Hightower Pewitt

Franklin "Jack" Tyner Pittman

William "Billy" Harrison Ray Jr.

Dr. Kathy Powell Roebuck

Sidney Owens Roebuck

Doug James Royale

Larry Stephen Russo

Katherine "Katy" Anne Anderson Terry

Wesley "Wes" Charles Thornton

Raymond "Ray" Waddelow

William "Bill" Howard Whitaker Jr.

Happening at Canterbury

A Service of Table & Community | November 5

On Election Day, November 5, Canterbury's chapel will be open for prayer from 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM. There will also be two communion services held that day - 12 Noon and 6 PM. All are invited to spend time in prayer and join fellow Canterburians and the community for communion.

Adult Opportunities

Bus Drivers Needed for Brookdale Looking for a rewarding way to help at Canterbury on Sunday mornings? Bus drivers are needed to pick up residents from Brookdale Senior Living and bring them to Sunday School. Shifts are approx. once a quarter. If interested, contact Caroline Bundy at carolinebundy@gmail.com.

Happy-ish Holidays | November 20 | 11:30 AM For all who find themselves in a tougher season of life during the holidays, you are invited to join us for a luncheon on November 20. Maybe grief, illness, divorce, or another challenge has you wondering how to approach the holidays. Rev. Monica Harbarger, Director of United Counseling, will be our special guest and she will talk with us about self-care, grace for ourselves and each other, and how we can still engage hope and joy. Lunch is \$10. Register: www.canterburyumc.org/happyish-holidays

Youth@Canterbury

Register for Journey Retreat Our Journey Retreat will be held November 22-24 for all 7th-12th graders. It is an awesome weekend filled with meaningful talks, amazing worship, fun games, and more! For more details and to register: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/youth

Kids@Canterbury

1st Grade Faith Milestone | November 17 | 9:15 AM Please register you and your 1st grader for the 1st grade milestone "I Can Touch the Water" on November 17 during the Sunday School hour. We will be learning about Baptism and how it teaches us who we are in God's eyes. RSVP at: www.canterburyumc.org/grow/children

Outreach

Annual Gift Collection | Samaritan Place Market: A Christmas Village | November 1-24



It's time to provide new children's gifts to stock ASP's annual Christmas Village. Shop for toys at your favorite local store or use the convenient Amazon Wish List (scan QR code). Financial donations are always welcome. Please bring your unwrapped gifts to Canterbury by November 24.

ASP Pickleball Tournament | November 24 | 12:30-6:30 PM Avondale Samaritan Place will host the "Pickle & Pours" fundraising event at Magic City Pickleball Club on 11/24. Sign up today to support the ministries ASP provides to our neighbors in need. Register: www.canterburyumc.org/community/avondale-samaritan-place

United Methodist Women

November Virtual Fundraiser: 100 Women x \$100 = \$10K Goal UMW is holding a virtual fundraiser using their social media to "tell the UMW story." They will highlight acts of service and are asking for 100 women to give \$100 (or more!). These funds are critical in providing support to worthy organizations in the Birmingham area. With your help, they can continue to help spread the love of Christ in our community and continue the service legacy of the United Methodist Women. For info and to donate: www.canterburyumc.org/community/united-methodist-women