



Erasing Our Building Debt...

- Campaign-to-Date Debt Erased \$ 5,578,469
- Remaining Debt \$ 113,474

as of January 31, 2012

YOUTH - Tonight - Addison from SIFAT, our Jr. High Mission trip site, will speak with parents at 5 p.m. in Canterbury Hall & youth at MYF. We would love for JH parents to attend.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES - Imposition of Ashes and Invitation to Lenten Discipline, Wednesday, February 22 at noon in the Chapel and 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

LENTEN PREACHING/TEACHING SERIES: THE LORD'S PRAYER - Join the discussion, be part of a weekday small group or participating Sunday School Class. Beginning February 26. Go to www.canterburyumc.org/lent2012 for small group offerings.

GROWNUPS - The Grownups luncheon is February 28 at noon in Canterbury Hall. Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Hopkins will be performing "Vocal Variations" and Layla Humphries and her student, Sophie Brent, will entertain with violin during the meal. Make your reservation with Gloria by noon Thursday, February 23 at 874-1534.

THE BROWN BAG PROJECT - # 1 on our "wish list"- several volunteers who are willing to write thank you notes once a month to donors of this ministry. You will be provided with stationary, envelopes & names. You may bring the notes back to the church for mailing. If serving from your home at your convenience appeals to you, please contact Susan Dowdey at susan.dowdey@canterburyumc.org.

CARPENTER'S HANDS - We are in need of a digital camera. If anyone has an extra one lying around, please consider donating it to the ministry. ● Our next Saturday workday is March 3. ● To donate a camera or to volunteer, contact Adam Guthrie at adam.guthrie@canterburyumc.org or 874-1567.

THE GATHERING - Join us for a study titled "Christ in the Old Testament" now through Easter, Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in M118.

ADULT LEARNING - Looking for a Sunday school class or group study class? Contact Annie Skinner at 874.1526 or anne.skinner@canterburyumc.org.

CANTERBURY DAY SCHOOL - We have openings in the following classes for Fall 2012:
 ● **Young Toddlers** (T/Th) child must be 6-12 months ● **3 Year Olds** (M/T/W) child must be 3 ● **4 Year Olds** (M-Th) child must be 4 ● **5K** (M-F) child must be 5.
 The child must be that age listed for each class by September 1, 2012. For information or to enroll, contact Linda Wingo at linda.wingo@canterburyumc.org or 874-1541.

HEALTHCARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - If you are a CPR-certified health care provider, Canterbury's Medical Response Team would greatly appreciate your help as a volunteer on Sunday mornings in the event of a medical emergency. If you are willing to help contact Lois Caldwell at loisacaldwell@bellsouth.net.

CPR CLASS - Sunday, February 26, 1:30-4:30 p.m. in M227. For more information, please contact Lois Caldwell at loisacaldwell@bellsouth.net.

In the Hospital as of 2/16/12
 Brookwood (877-1940) *Fred Nunnally, Bill Reeves*



HIS ENCOURAGING WORD
"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent and believe in the good news."
Mark 1: 15

This Week at Canterbury

Sunday, February 19		
Birmingham Hospitality Network (through Sunday)	Scout House	
AA Sunday Morning Group	M208	8 a.m.
New Traditions, Rev. Warren Nash	Chapel	8:15 a.m.
Sunday School	Various Locations	9:15 a.m.
Traditional Worship, Rev. Warren Nash	Sanctuary	10:30 a.m.
Contemporary Worship, Dr. Bill Morgan	Canterbury Center	10:30 a.m.
GROW Girls Group	M204	4 p.m.
Canterbury Academy, Dr. Dennis Sansom	M227	5:30 p.m.
MYF	Canterbury Hall	6 p.m.
Monday, February 20		
Carpenter's Hands (M, T, W, Th)	Off-site	8:15 a.m.
PlayCare Nursery Drop-in (M, T, Th)	CDC	9 a.m.
Cirlice 7 with Anne Berte	M204	11 a.m.
AA Women's Acceptance Group	M142	11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, February 21		
Get Real	Youth Center	6:50 a.m.
Mali's Prayer Group	Chapel	8:30 a.m.
Canterbury Fitness (T, Th, F)	M129	8:30 a.m.
Laura Sisson Bible Study	A123	9 a.m.
Bible Study with the Gunns	A127	10:00 a.m.
Goode Emmaus Reunion Group	A127	1:30 p.m.
Knit Wits	Parlor	1:30 p.m.
Single and Parenting	M114	6 p.m.
Troop 63	M209	6:30 p.m.
Stephen Ministers Meeting	M200	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 22		
Core Disciples	M204	6:30 a.m.
Bill Morgan Bible Study	A122	7:30 a.m.
Living Bible Study	A123	8 a.m.
Beeson Team Meeting	A127	8:30 a.m.
Mother's Bible Study	M227	9 a.m.
Bette Owen's Bible Study	M226	10 a.m.
Brown Bag, <i>Students from Spring Valley School</i>	M204	10 a.m.
Ash Wednesday Service	Chapel	Noon
AWEstruck	Canterbury Hall	5:15 p.m.
Brown Bag, <i>Seekers Class, pack food</i>	M204	5:30 p.m.
Seekers Marriage Class	M229	5:30 p.m.
Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary	6:15 a.m.
Jr. & Sr. High Book Studies	Youth Center	6:15 p.m.
LAMBS	C117	6:15 p.m.
The Gathering	M118	6:30 p.m.
CrossRoads Rehearsal	Canterbury Center	7 p.m.
Church Choir	Choir Room	7:15 p.m.
Thursday, February 23		
John Croyle/NOT Keeping Score! (For Men)	Canterbury Center	6:45 a.m.
Mackin Bible Study	M202	8 a.m.
Depression & Grief Seminar/Dr. Cory Newman	Canterbury Hall	8 a.m.
John Croyle/NOT Keeping Score! (For Women)	Canterbury Center	9:15 a.m.
Women's Bible Study with Temple	A127	9:30 a.m.
Bible Study with Janice & Susan	M226	10 a.m.
Betty Jackson's Bible Study	A123	10:30 a.m.
Connect Meeting	A122	11:30 a.m.
Sandwich Generation Bible Study	A127	11:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study with Oliver Clark	A123	1 p.m.
Wolf Pack 63 Meeting	Youth Center	6 p.m.
Friday, February 24		
OA Group	M142	7:45 a.m.
Brown Bag	Dining Room/M208	9:15 a.m.
<i>Circle 6 Ginger Cowley, Hospitality - Seekers Class, Distribution, volunteers welcome</i>		
Depression & Grief Seminar/Dr. Dixon Mitchell	M209	9:30 a.m.
Gunn Lent Study	A127	10 a.m.
AA Women's Acceptance Group	M142	11:30 a.m.
Saturday, February 25		
AA Saturday Morning Group	M129	8 a.m.
Al-Anon Saturday Morning Group	M141	8 a.m.



February 19, 2012



Transfiguration Sunday

Preacher Rev. Warren Nash

Liturgist Dr. Oliver Clark, Rev. Sam Williamson

Organist & Choirmaster Dr. Lester Seigel

*Congregation Please Stand

Words in bold type are spoken or sung by the congregation.

Voluntary Trumpet Tune in E Flat David N. Johnson

Welcome and Parish Notices

Introit O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord Christopher Tye

*Hymn 173 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies RATISBON

*Affirmation of Faith 880 The Nicene Creed

*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.

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

Baptism and Congregational Sung Response, *see insert*
Thomas Wesley Brinkley, Jr.

Children's Moment Rev. Sam Williamson

Call to Prayer Lead Me, Lord Samuel S. Wesley

Collect
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray:
Holy God, upon the mountain you revealed our Savior, who by his
death and resurrection would fulfill both the law and prophets.
By his transfiguration enlighten our path that we may dare to go
where he leads us, and so share in the joy of serving with him who
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever.
Amen.

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Our Gifts and Music

Anthem Alleluia Ralph Manuel

*Doxology
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.

*Gradual Hymn 258 O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair
vs. 1, 2 WAREHAM

*Gospel Mark 9: 2-9 (NRSV)
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gradual Hymn 258 O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair
vs. 4, 5 WAREHAM

Sermon Rev. Warren Nash

The Call to Follow Jesus

*Hymn of Commitment 555 Forward Through the Ages ST. GERTRUDE

*Dismissal & Blessing

*Recessional Prayer Mr. Stan Nelson, cantor

Postlude



Imposition of Ashes and Invitation to Lenten Discipline

Wednesday, February 22

Noon in the Chapel

6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Want to know more about being a follower of Jesus?

At Canterbury, you'll experience God's life-transforming power through worship, learning, and service. To make Canterbury your home church, contact Rev. Drew Clayton at 874-1543 or drew.clayton@canterburyumc.org.



Sunday, February 19
8:15 a.m.-New Traditions
9:15 a.m.-Sunday School
10:30 a.m.-Traditional
10:30 a.m.-Contemporary

Weekly Words from Senior Minister Bill Morgan



"The Lord's Prayer is not your Father's Prayer"

"Pray then in this way: Our Father..." Matthew 6: 9

Anyone remember the new car ad campaign based on the tagline: "This is not your father's car!"? The thrust was that in the past cars had been tame, sedate sedans. But the new models were sleek, sporty, breathtakingly powerful.

In *THE GREATEST PRAYER: REDISCOVERING THE REVOLUTIONARY MESSAGE OF THE LORD'S PRAYER*, John Dominic Crossan explores how our basic prayer is less tame and more breathtakingly powerful than we often fathom. The eminent Bible scholar crisscrosses both Testaments to clarify all Jesus packs into his prayer.

To address God in the Aramaic-Greek combination of Abba-Father – "Our Father" – expresses that God is never just your Father or my Father, but that the lifegiver of us all bridges every wall of separation we humans erect between ourselves and our fellow travelers on planet earth.

"The prayer begins with 'Our Father,' that is, with a communal 'our,' rather than just an individual 'my.' The prayer certainly is 'personal,' but personal in community rather than personal in privacy. You may certainly pray it alone, but you are never alone when you pray it." (p. 47)

Crossan would likely agree any prayer is better than no prayer, that when we pray our hearts God can sort it out. But based on scripture in general and Jesus' prayer in particular, there is a growing direction in mature prayer. We always pray our "help us" petitions and our "thank you" praises, but the full force is our prayers for God's empowerment, the guts and grace to live in our relationships and world in God's way, not our way. (p.13)

Speaking of "world," the Lord's Prayer is breathtakingly this-worldly. No denying hope for beyond this life, Jesus calls us to live with love and justice here and now. In Biblical times, the term "kingdom" was quite political. To speak of living in a way that brings "God's heaven kingdom way on earth" is a holy challenge to all earthly powers than come and go across the sea of time. It's about daily bread for us all. It's about forgiveness-reconciliation in all our human relationships: personal, corporate, and political.

On Ash Wednesday, the 22nd, we begin seven weeks of Lent to Easter. In worship and study, our focus is THE LORD'S PRAYER FOR EVERYONE. At whatever place in life, from children memorizing the prayer for the first time, to us well-on-our-life-waysters, we get to take the next step in discovering how this prayer guides and empowers us to follow Jesus and serve others. If the Lord's Prayer hasn't taken your breath yet, stay tuned. But wait, there's even more: most of all, the Lord's Prayer gives us the breath to live with joy, serve with love, die with hope. Message from our dads: hey, we got it; now it's your turn.

Bill

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