

SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



*We gather to worship God, nurture Christian faith,
and go out into the world in mission.*

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 10, 2023

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Andante from Concerto in G Major* George F. Handel
Gabriel's Oboe Ennio Morricone/arr. Ling

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. C. E. "Smoke" Kanipe, Jr.

MINISTRY MOMENT FOR HARVEST HOPE Mardellina Marqueze

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel *Veni Emmanuel*
(stanzas 1-4)

ANTHEM The Sussex Carol René Clausen

*On Christmas night all Christians sing to hear the news the angels bring:
news of great joy, news of great mirth, good tidings of our Savior's birth.
Then why should we on earth be sad, since our Redeemer made us glad,
when from our sin he set us free, all for to gain our liberty?
When sin departs before his grace, then life and health come in its place.
Angels in heaven with joy may sing, all for to see the newborn King.
All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night.
Glory to God, we sing once again, now and for evermore. Amen!*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH (8:45 a.m.) Dayton and Leslie Riddle
(11:00 a.m.) John and Terry Goodfellow

ANTHEM *Gloria in excelsis Deo* from *Gloria* Antonio Vivaldi
Gloria in excelsis Deo. Glory to God in the highest.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 1:46-55 Pew Bible, N.T. pgs. 53-54

ANTHEMS Magnificat in G Major Charles Villiers Stanford
with Lindsay Anne McCall, soprano

*My soul doth magnify the Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud
in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seats and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel;
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, forever.
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.*

There Is Faint Music

Dan Forrest

*There is faint music in the night, and pale wings fanned by silver flight;
A frosty hill with tender glow of countless stars that shine on snow.
A shelter from the winter storm, a straw-lined manger, safe and warm,
And Mary singing lullabies, to hush her Baby's sleepy sighs.
Her eyes are fixed upon His face, unheeded here is time and space;
Her heart is filled with blinding joy for God's own Son - her baby Boy!*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

ANTHEM

Love's Pure Light

Elaine Hagenberg

*Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace.
Silent night, holy night, Son of God, Love's pure light.*

THE OFFERING

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Holy Night
Owen Connolly, tenor
Bradley Fuller, piano

Adolphe Adam

*O holy night! The stars are brightly shining; it is the night of the dear Savior's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining, till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope- the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!
Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices! O night divine, O night when Christ was born!
O night, O holy night, O night divine!*

*Truly He taught us to love one another; his law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother, and in His name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we; let all within us praise His holy name.
Christ is the Lord! O praise His name forever! His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!
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(11:00 a.m.) RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

ANTHEM

Joy to the World

arr. Dan Forrest

*Joy to the world! The Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing!
No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found.
Joy to the earth! The Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ!
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy!
He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love! Sing joy!*

*BENEDICTION

May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds,
the perseverance of the Wise Men, the obedience of Joseph and Mary,
and the peace of the Christ Child be yours at this holy season.

Alleluia!

And may the blessing of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
be with you always.

Alleluia! Amen.

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

A Carol Fantasy
The First Noel
Capitol City Brass

arr. John Iveson
arr. Jeff Anderson

*Congregation standing

*The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God
by Bonnie Mullis and Holly Neuffer
in loving memory of their parents, Jane and John Brewer.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 10, 2023

WELCOME to our newest members John Wienges, Jr., who joins today by transfer from another UMC congregation and Allie Lombardi, who joins by transfer from another denomination. Joining in the LifeLine service today are Maurice “Moe” and Whitney Huttenlocker. Moe will join by Profession of Faith and Baptism and Whitney comes to us by transfer from another UMC congregation. Their daughter Tatum will also be baptized.

ADVENT OFFERING: The Outreach Commission has selected the following for the Advent Offering this year: Haiti, Harvest Hope, and Habitat. Speakers will provide more information in the Mission Moment during Advent. Please consider a generous donation to support these important missions.

NATIVITY CHARACTERS: Join us as we bring the nativity to life with live animals on Christmas Eve! We're looking for volunteers to portray nativity characters during two shifts: after the 4:00 p.m. service and before the 6:00 p.m. service. To participate, simply email ctreece@shandonumc.org. Slots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis, and children are welcome to volunteer alongside adults.

SUMC BOOK CLUB meets on 3rd Thursdays, in person (5:30-6:30 p.m.). **December 21:** *The Vanishing Half*, by Britt Bennett. To be on the mailing list and receive reminders, contact Anne Cox at anne41450@aol.com.

THE EDDIE HUSS & FRIENDS BENEFIT CONCERT will be held on **December 17** at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Music for two pianos by Rachmaninoff and Liszt will be performed by Annette Matthews, Debbie Bauer, Bradley Fuller, and Eddie Huss. Vocalists, Johnnie Felder, and Anna Flynn will also perform on the program. An offering to help our El Salvador Mission Trip, for the summer of 2024, will be taken. Everyone is invited to attend this annual Shandon Christmas Concert event.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY: Need volunteer tax preparers for 2024 season. The Cooperative Ministry is asking for volunteers to assist low-income individuals/families at various sites around the midlands. No prior experience necessary. Training will be done in **December and January**. For more information, please visit www.coopmin.org/vita or contact Michelle at VITA@coopmin.org.

DOORWAYS TO GOD—WINTER 2024: Registration is now open for Winter Adult Christian Education classes. Connect with fellow Christians and deepen your faith. Classes begin the week of **January 7, 2024**. Register online at shandonumc.org/doorways.

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR THE ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SEASON

Wednesday, December 13: Children's Choir Christmas Program (6:15 p.m.)

Sunday, December 17: LifeLine Christmas Program (11:05 a.m.)
and Eddie & Friends Benefit Concert for El Salvador Mission Trip (4:00 p.m.)

Thursday, December 21: Blue Christmas Service (6:00 p.m.)

CHILDREN & YOUTH

ADVENT IN A BAG: It is not too late to get your Advent In a Bag. Order yours while supplies last at shandonumc.org/register. This bag of treats and treasures includes supplies and instructions for 5 Advent activities and a copy of Faithful Families for Advent & Christmas. The bags are created with simple activities for families with children but can be enjoyed by any household. The cost per bag is \$15.

CHRISTMAS EVE YOUTH SINGERS: We will offer music by our Youth Singers on Christmas Eve at the 4pm and 6pm services. All Youth are invited to participate. We will meet today (Dec. 10) from 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. in the Choir Room.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE: Please note that we will not host Sunday school on Christmas Eve, **Sunday, December 24**. Please plan to join us for one or more of our five services of worship that day. Our live nativity with animals will be on the church lawn from between the 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. "Family" services. Please plan to enjoy the live nativity from 4:40-5:00 p.m. and from 5:40-6:00 p.m.



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 - SERVICE SCHEDULE

(NO 8:45 A.M. SERVICE)

(NO SUNDAY SCHOOL)

11:00 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Advent Traditional Worship Service

11:05 a.m. LifeLine Worship Service

4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service

4:40 - 5:00 p.m. Live Nativity

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6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service

9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion

Shandon UMC is a Stephen Ministry and Safe Sanctuary Congregation

Senior Minister: The Reverend C. E. Kanipe, Jr.
Minister of Assimilation & Discipleship: The Reverend James Grubb
Minister of Music & Arts: The Reverend D. Edwin Huss, Jr.
Music Associate & Organist: Deborah K. Bauer

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