SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 28, 2024

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY Adagio Craig Phillips

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

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 160 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart Marion

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgements are like the great deep;
O Lord, humans and animals you save!

O God, how precious is your steadfast love! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart! (Psalm 36:5-10)

*GLORIA PATRI NO. 71 Greatorex

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.

(11:00 a.m.) ANTHEM

The Lord Is My Light Owen Connolly, tenor Frances Allitsen

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid; and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in Him.

For in the time of trouble, He shall hide me in His tabernacle. Yea, in the secret places of His dwelling shall He hide me, and set me upon a rock of stone.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Living God, help us so to hear your Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe; and believing, we may follow your way in all faithfulness, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Pew Bible, N.T. pg. 160

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON "It's My Privilege"

Rev. James Grubb

*HYMN 347

Spirit Song

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*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881: THE APOSTLES' CREED, Traditional

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.

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.

THE OFFERING To give online or by text: www.shandonumc.org/give

Text 73256 and enter SUMC

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (8:45 a.m.) The Lord Is My Light

Frances Allitsen

Owen Connolly, tenor

(11:00 a.m.) A Covenant Prayer Chancel Choir

Dan Forrest

I am no longer my own, but Thine. Put me to what Thou wilt, rank me with whom Thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering; I am no longer my own, but Thine.

Let me be employed for Thee or laid aside for Thee; let me be exalted for Thee, or brought low for Thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty, let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things to Thy pleasure and disposal,

and now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Thou art mine, and I am Thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in Heaven. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY NO. 94

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*HYMN 128

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

He Leadeth Me

*BENEDICTION

Go forth in peace.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

*(11:00 a.m.) CHORAL RESPONSE God Be in My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in mine heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY Declamation on For the Beauty of the Earth

Craig Phillips

*Congregation standing

The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God by Celia and Billy Jernigan, Amanda and JD Smith, and Karen Shaver in loving memory of Blake Jernigan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 28, 2024

SEEKERS: Young adults age 30 or younger are invited to join the Seekers group for lunch at Taziki's **today** following the 11 o'clock services. The group is meeting at the playgrounds before departing. Use the QR code to fill out an interest form.



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER: We welcome Margaret Carnes to the Shandon UMC family this morning in the LifeLine service. She joins via transfer from a UMC congregation in Mauldin, SC.

SHANDON SISTERS: Connections for Young Women (ages 25ish - 45ish) Join us **Monday, February 5**, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jan Sowell for a casual gathering to connect with mature women who are ahead of you in life's journey. Our time together will include fellowship, light refreshments, conversation, and a brief reflection with "pearls of wisdom" from one of our facilitators. For more information contact Anne Marie Crosswell at **amacrosswell@gmail.com**, Taylor White at **tmunnwhite@gmail.com**, or Ruthie Taylor at (803) 318-7484. Friends are welcome.

GOOD NEWS CLUB: Do you want to make a lasting impact on children's lives by sharing the truth about Jesus? Join the Good News Club at Shandon UMC! We meet after school at Rosewood Elementary for six Thursdays, 2–4 p.m., starting **February 8, 2024**. Enjoy fun games, songs, Bible lessons, and memory verses with others who love Jesus. Join our team and contact us for more info: **Joykstone@gmail.com** or 803-354-0903.

SHARE THE GIFT OF LIFE: Shandon UMC will be hosting a blood drive on **Sunday**, **February 11** from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. in Player Hall. Please make an appointment online: **shandonumc.org/redcross**.

YOUTH MISSION PROJECT FUNDRAISER: Join us in the gym on Tuesday, February 13 from 5:00-6:30 p.m. for a Pancake Dinner to raise funds for this summer's Youth Mission Project! Adult tickets are \$7 and children's are \$4. You can donate to YMP or buy tickets at shandonumc.org/ymp.

THE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION COUNCIL will meet in February to review Shandon's Safe Sanctuary Policy. If you have any concerns or suggestions, please contact Cari Treece, Director of Children and Family Ministries (ctreece@shandonumc.org).

SAVE THE DATE: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: June 10-14, 2024 (Registration is March 15- April 15 or until full).

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

YOUTH CHOIR NEWS: Attention all youth, grades 6-12, if you are interested in participating and leading in worship join our Youth Choir. Rehearsals are just before UMYF on Sundays, from 4pm-4:45pm in the Choir Room. We have a group of youth singers already coming and would like to grow our group!

ST. NICHOLAS CHOIR: Children's Sunday and the Spring Musical - Now is a great time to join the St. Nicholas Choir as we will begin rehearsals for our Spring Musical, "The Fruit of the Spirit." (March 20th) This choir is open to grades 2-5 and meets on Wednesdays from 6pm-6:45pm upstairs in the Dubose Building. We are also preparing music for Children's Sunday, Feb. 11, at the 11am worship service in the Sanctuary. All choir mothers are invited to sing with the St. Nicholas Choir on Feb.11. The anthem is "My Mother's Love." Rehearsals with the St. Nicholas Choir and moms, will be from 6pm-6:15pm on Wednesday, Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7 in the St. Nicholas Choir Room.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS: Come be a part of our daily reflections during Lent, starting on **Wednesday, February 14**. Check out our posts on the Shandon Children's Facebook page!

BIBLE PRESENTATION SUNDAY for our current 3-Year-Old Preschool Sunday School class will be held on **February 25** during the 11:00 a.m. Traditional and Lifeline services. The first Bible presentation is an important step in a child's faith journey. Visit **shandonumc.org/register** to sign up.

LIONS & GIANTS: On **Sunday, February 25**, children in grades 5K-5th are invited to Lions & Giants with Ms. Cari in the gym from 3:00 - 4:15 p.m. for an exciting time of fellowship, games, and Bible time. Noodle Tag, Gaga Ball and Capture the Flag are just some games we may play. This gathering is a drop-off event, with no registration necessary. Adult helpers are needed. If you can stay and help, contact Cari at ctreece@shandonumc.org.

CHILDREN'S MISSION FOCUS: Throughout February, Shandon's Children's Sunday school classes will gather items to create Blessing Bags. 4k/5k: gloves, antibacterial wipes/hand sanitizer, 1st & 2nd grade: Chapstick, comb, small nail file 3rd & 4th grade: protein bars, water bottles/ Gatorade bottles, 5th grade: tuna packets/beef jerky, small tissue packs, 6th grade: socks, hand warmers, Adults: travel-size shampoos/lotions, deodorant. Any and all of these items are appreciated by any group/age. Please collect items in your Sunday school classrooms. Collection barrels will be located in the Great Hall of the Bruner Building and at the entrance of the DuBose building as well.

IT'S COMING - THE 2024 CLOTHING AND BOOK SALE: Dates of sale are Friday & Saturday, March 15 & 16. Please start clearing out your closets and bookshelves for the UWF missions. We can use any boxes you may have. We also can use people to supply lunches and snacks for our volunteers. If you are interested in that, please contact Carolyn Hall at 803.422.0951 or mchajcek@gmail.com.

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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