

LifeLine

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

Sunday, December 21, 2025 11:05 a.m.



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Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 21, 2025 | 11:05 a.m.

Order of Worship

Welcome, Announcements & Opening Prayer

Ministry Moment Moryah Jackson, Habitat for Humanity

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Spencer & Alexis Collins Family

Offering

We worship God through our gifts and tithes. Give online at shandonumc.org/give or via the Realm App (onrealm.org/shandonumc).

Offertory Song

Behold | Phil Wickham

Children's Sermon

Susan Curran

Following the Children's Sermon, childcare is available for 4 and 5-year-olds in Room 115 of the Knox Building.

Christmas Stories and Songs

First Reading Song

The Morning After The Arrival It Came Upon A Midnight Clear | Mercy Me

Second Reading Song

God Entered the World as a Baby Make Room | Casting Crowns

Third Reading

Song

A More Lowly Birthplace Could Not Exist and Shepherds & Angels

Fourth Reading

Oh What A Glorious Night | Sidewalk Prophets

An Ecstatic Mother and Exhausted Father Joseph's Lullaby | Mercy Me

Song

Fifth Reading Song

Mary Holding God I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day | Casting Crowns

Sixth Reading

Majesty in the Midst of the Mundane

Lighting The Christ Candle

It's Christmas | Chris Tomlin

Benediction

Song

Shandon Serves: To date, we have received 253 pledges totaling \$2,206,257 to support our 2026 budget. Thank you to all who have pledged! If you have not yet submitted your pledge, you can mail in your Commitment Card or visit **shandonumc.org/pledge**.

Announcements

2025 Advent Offering: Supports Haiti Missions, Homeless No More, and Habitat for Humanity—initiatives chosen by our Outreach Committee to transform lives and strengthen communities. Your generosity makes a difference. You can give online at **shandonumc.org/give** and select Advent Offering from the dropdown list, or write "Advent Offering" on your check. Let's share the spirit of the season through acts of hope and compassion.

2026 Winter Doorways: Beginning the week of **January 4**, 2026, we will offer 12 Bible Study classes covering an array of topics, available during the day and after work, with a variety of teaching styles. Have questions or need help deciding which class is just right for you? Call Ruthie Taylor (803) 318-7484. Registration is available at **shandonumc.org/events.**

Pathway to Membership-TREK: Shandon's new member path begins again in January. For more information about TREK, please contact Rev. James Grubb at jgrubb@shandonumc.org. Sign up at shandonumc.org/trek. Childcare is available at registration. January 2026 Course Schedule (Update) Sunday, January 11, 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Wednesdays, January 21 & 28, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

UWF Reading Program: "Nurturing for Community" All members of UWF Circles, Shandon UMC, and guests are invited to join Betty Neal in Player Hall on Monday, **January 12**, 2026, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. for a discussion of *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. The book is available online and at All Good Books (AGB) in Five Points. Mention Shandon UMC UWF Reading Program at AGB at checkout for a 10% discount.

Manna Refreshed: Returns on Wednesday, January 21, 2026. We will continue to serve the meal each Wednesday from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Player Hall. Due to the rising cost of food and supplies, the prices for meals will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Reservations need to be made by Monday at 5:00 p.m. at shandonumc.org/manna. All are welcome.

Christmas Eve Schedule:

Wednesday, December 24
2:00 p.m. Communion Service
4:00 p.m. Child-Friendly Service with Live Nativity
*6:00 p.m. Child-Friendly Service with Live Nativity
*9:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Service
(*Services will be live-streamed)

Children & Students

Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF): December 21: MYF out for dinner at Groucho's on Forest Drive. Join us for dinner at Groucho's from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Students should bring money for their meals.

Popcorn, Movie & Nativity Bingo: On Sunday, **December 28**, children's Popcorn, Movie, and Nativity Bingo will be offered during the Sunday school hour in Player Hall for our 4-year-old to 5th-grade Sunday school classes from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Children may be dropped off and picked up in Player Hall in the Dunn-Smith building.

NO LifeLine Service on December 28



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