



LIFELINE CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 21, 2025 | 11:05 a.m.

Youth Sunday

Opening Song

Shout Hosanna | Passion

Welcome & Announcements

Ministry Moment

SUMC Youth in Missions
Lily Stricklin, Sally Gambrell & MacKinley O'Neill

Opening Prayer

Luke McCutcheon

Song

He's The One | Bethel Music

Children's Sermon

Susan Curran

Following the Children's Sermon today and next Sunday, parents and children in 4-year-old preschool, kindergarten, and 1st grade are invited to join Ms. Cari in Player Hall to learn about worship in an age-appropriate way.

Prayers of the People

Pearson DiBiase

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

Quiet | Hillside

Scripture

Proverbs 3:5-6; 22:6 | Finley Kaneft

Sermon

Anne Davis Manning & Bobby Peele

Song of Celebration

Uncloudy Day | Willie Nelson

**All children are invited to come forward.*

Benediction

In keeping with our Safe Sanctuary Policy, a parent or youth (6th grade and up) MUST accompany children through 5th grade at all times while on campus—including trips to and from the bathroom. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe and cared for.

Announcements

Manna Refreshed: Wednesdays, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in Player Hall with new menus and fresh ingredients. The **September 24** meal is make your own Mediterranean bowl with grilled chicken, quinoa, and roasted zucchini, mixed green salad, pita bread, fresh hummus, and dessert. Children may choose a portion of the refreshed meal or the monthly children's plate. **Pre-orders are required by 5:00 p.m. Monday at shandonumc.org/manna.** Childcare is available in the gym from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Stories and Songs: Faith comes alive when we share our stories. Join us **TONIGHT, Sunday, September 21, 6:00–7:00 p.m.,** for music and the faith journeys of Julie Allen and Addie and James Thompson. Childcare (infants–age 3) and a special children's program (4K–5th grade) begin at 5:45 p.m. A meal of lasagna, buttered noodles, salad, fruit, breadsticks and dessert will be served in Player Hall from 5:00–5:45 p.m., \$9 adults, \$4 children. No reservation needed.

Good News Club (GNC): With your continued blessing, our dedicated Good News Club (GNC) Team is excited to begin the GNC and share the love and story of Jesus at Rosewood Elementary School on **Thursday afternoons, Oct. 2–Nov. 13.** If you are interested in learning more about how to participate or support our Good News Club at Rosewood Elementary School, please contact Joy Stone (joykstone@gmail.com).

Vulnerable in Ukraine: On **Sunday, September 28,** we will host Svitlana Koval in Player Hall during the Sunday school hour (9:45 – 10:45 a.m.) as she shares her faith story and journey from war-torn Ukraine. Amidst war, Svitlana and her husband evacuated to the United States just months before their son was born, and while living in Columbia, SC, they found Shandon UMC as a church home. Svitlana's story includes revelations of how personal vulnerability is woven into her journey of Christian faith. Join us for this personal story of trial, empathy, and understanding.

Blessing of the Animals: Join us for Shandon UMC's annual Blessing of the Animals on **Sunday, October 5, from 3:00–4:00 p.m.** in honor of St. Francis of Assisi Day, the patron saint of animals. Bring your leashed or caged pets to the East Lawn by the fountain for a special blessing. Kids are welcome to bring a stuffed animal to be blessed, as well. If you have questions, reach out to Rev. Maggie Cantey. We hope to see you there!

MORE Justice Gathering: Please join us for a MORE Justice kickoff meeting, **September 23 at 6:00 p.m.** in Player Hall. We join 27 congregations in the Columbia area to address serious community-wide problems. Shandon members involved with MORE Justice have decided to concentrate our efforts on affordable housing.

Seekers Lunch: Young professionals ages 23 to 30 seeking fellowship and community are welcome to join the Seekers group for lunch at Taziki's following the 11:00 a.m. worship services on **September 28**. Please contact Rev. Maggie with questions or to be added to the group email list.

Fall Felting: Join us on Wednesday, **October 1**, from 6:00–7:30 p.m. (Childcare will be provided) or Thursday, **October 2**, from 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall as Rev. Maggie Canteley teaches us the art of felting. During our time together, materials will be provided for you to create several fall items such as pumpkins, mushrooms, acorns, etc. Felting is fun and easy, and we look forward to seeing your handiwork. Register at [**shandonumc.org/events**](http://shandonumc.org/events).

SPIRIT IN MOTION: MOVING WITH GOD

Join Health and Wellness this fall for Spirit in Motion: Moving with God, a **three-week program** connecting faith, movement, and fellowship. Open to all fitness levels, it meets on Sundays and Wednesdays in October. No experience is needed—just a desire to connect.

Sunday Walks: October 5, 12, 19, 4 p.m.
Choose one of two stand-alone walks each week—come once or all three. No registration required.

- **Timmerman Trail Walk:** Meet at Fort Congaree Entrance (near Cayce Tennis Courts) for a 2.2-mile paved loop that includes scripture reflections on God's creation.
- **Mindfulness Walk:** Led by Heather Phelps on the Shandon campus. Wear comfortable shoes as we mindfully explore our surroundings.

Yoga Classes: Wednesdays, October 8, 15, 22, 5:30 p.m.
Led by Meg Brooks in Knox 204. All skill levels welcome; space is limited. Childcare is available with registration. Sign up at [**shandonumc.org/events**](http://shandonumc.org/events).

Children & Students

Stories and Songs for Children: During tonight's "Stories and Songs" worship service, children (4K - 5th grade) are invited to join us in the gym for their own special event from **5:45-7:00 p.m.** We will lead the children in a time of games, faith stories, and songs focused on our call as Christians to share our own stories of faith with others. Childcare will be available for infants to 3-year-olds, beginning at 5:45 p.m. in the Knox Building classrooms.

Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF): September 21: We invite youth and their families to join the church for our "Stories and Songs" worship service. We will hear the faith stories of Julie Allen, as well as James and Addie Thompson. Dinner will be available beforehand in Player Hall at 5:00 p.m., and the worship service begins at 6:00 p.m.

Youth Basketball: All 2nd -12th grade boys and girls are invited to be part of the Basketball Ministry of Shandon UMC. Registration is now open at shandonumc.org/events and closes Wednesday, October 15. The registration fee is \$75. Interested in coaching? Please contact Andy Morris (amorris@shandonumc.org).

MYF Fall Retreat: This 7th-12th grade retreat at Ridge Haven Camp, in Brevard, NC, is **November 7-9**. Our students will be led through games, participate in worship, and hear teaching. Sign up at shandonumc.org/events.



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