

# SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	Johann Gottfried Walther
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. C. E. "Smoke" Kanipe, Jr.
SCOUT PRESENTATION		Cub Scout Pack 37 and Troop 37
EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL		
*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY		
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 139	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	<i>Lobe den Herren</i>
*CALL TO WORSHIP		

How good it is to sing praises to our God;  
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

**He heals the brokenhearted,  
and binds up their wounds.**

He determines the number of the stars;  
he gives to all of them their names.

**Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
his understanding is beyond measure.**

The LORD lifts up the downtrodden;  
he casts the wicked to the ground.

**Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;  
make melody to our God on the lyre.**

He covers the heavens with clouds,  
prepares rain for the earth,  
makes grass grow on the hills.

**He gives to the animals their food,  
and to the young ravens when they cry.**

His delight is not in the strength of the horse,  
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;

**but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,  
in those who hope in his steadfast love.** *(from Psalm 147)*

\*(8:45 a.m.) GLORIA PATRI NO. 71

*Greatorrex*

**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.) GLORIA PATRI (sung by the choir)

Charles V. Stanford

*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.*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord Jesus, you are the Vine, and we are the branches.  
May we find our life in you  
as we hear your word this day.  
In your precious and holy name we pray. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

Pew Bible, O.T. pgs. 628-629

## SERMON

“To Whom Will You Compare Me?” Rev. C. E. “Smoke” Kanipe, Jr.

## THE OFFERING

To give online or by text: [www.shandonumc.org/give](http://www.shandonumc.org/give)  
Text 73256 and enter SUMC

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(8:45 a.m.)

Ezekiel Saw the Wheel  
*Men's Choir*

arr. Howard Helvey

Refrain: *Ezek'el saw de wheel 'way up in de middle o' de air.  
De big wheel run by faith, an' de little wheel run by de Grace o' God,  
a wheel in a wheel away in de middle o' de air.  
Better min', my sister, how you walk on de cross, away in de middle o' de air,  
yo' foot might slip an' yo' soul be los', away in de middle o' de air. (Refrain)  
Let me tell you, brother, what a sinner will do, 'way in de middle o' de air.  
He'll talk about me an' he'll talk about you, 'way in de middle o' de air. (Refrain)  
You say de Lord has set you free, 'way in de middle o' de air.  
Why don't you let your neighbor be, 'way in de middle o' de air.*

(11:00 a.m.)

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven  
*Chancel Choir*

Mark Andrews

\*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!**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace.  
Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land with your healing love.  
Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance,  
and to bow to one another in real forgiveness.  
By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts,  
and consume the pride and prejudice which separate us.  
Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out all fear,  
and bind us together in that unity which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

## \*SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Musical Setting A, Hymnal p. 17)**

*Minister*            The Lord be with you.

***People*             And also with you.**

*Minister*            Lift up your hearts.

***People*             We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Minister*            Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People*             It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The pastor gives thanks and praise to God the Father, concluding:*

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name  
and join their unending hymn:

*(all singing)*      **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The pastor gives thanks for the gift of Jesus Christ, concluding:*

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer you ourselves  
in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*(all singing)*      **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

*The pastor prays for the presence and the power of the Holy Spirit, concluding:*

All honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

*(all singing)*      **Amen, amen, amen.**

## \*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.**

\*BREAKING OF THE BREAD

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*Our Communion offering each month goes to the Harvest Hope Food Bank.  
A basket for these donations can be found near the altar.  
Thank you for your generosity!*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

(sung by the choir)                      O Lamb of God                      John Merbecke

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us. Grant us thy peace.*

(sung by the congregation)	Hymn 618	Let Us Break Bread Together	<i>Let Us Break Bread</i>
	Hymn 393	Spirit of the Living God	<i>Living God</i>
	Hymn 408	The Gift of Love	<i>Gift of Love</i>
	Hymn 430	O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee	<i>Maryton</i>

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

**Gracious Lord, we are not worthy even to gather up the crumbs under your table.  
But it is your nature always and everywhere to have mercy, and on that we depend.  
As you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, may he  
forever live in us and we in him. Amen.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

\*HYMN 474                      Precious Lord, Take My Hand                      *Precious Lord*

\*BENEDICTION

You have given yourself to us, Lord;  
**now we give ourselves for others.**  
Your love has made us a new people;  
**as a people of love, we will serve you with joy.**  
Your glory has filled our hearts;  
**help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.**

\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY                      Rondeau                      Jean-Joseph Mouret

\*Congregation standing

*The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God  
by Frances Tompkins in loving memory of her mother, Lola Tompkins  
and her sister, Margaret Tompkins Bass, and in honor of my sister, Marilyn Barnhill;  
and by Rosalyn Owen Swan  
in memory of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. James C. Owen.*

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS**

*8:45 a.m. service*

**Bailey Gibson** (transferring from another UMC congregation)

**David and Natalie Hamlett** (joining by Reaffirmation of Faith)

**Michael Patina** (transferring from another UMC congregation)

**Jimmy and Sharon Rogers** (transferring from another UMC congregation)

*11:00 a.m. service*

**Gilly and Terry Bailey** (transferring from another denomination)

**Coleman and Whitney Davis** (transferring from other denominations)

**Ryan and Morgan Yurachek** (joining by Reaffirmation of Faith)

with baby Trace Hunter Yurachek

*Welcome to the Shandon UMC family!*

**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER**

**YOUTH MISSION PROJECT FUNDRAISER**

**Tuesday, February 13**

**5:00 - 6:30 p.m.**

**IN THE GYM**

**Adults \$7 - Children \$4**

Donate to YMP or buy tickets at [shandonumc.org/ymp](https://shandonumc.org/ymp).

**IT'S COMING - THE 2024 CLOTHING AND BOOK SALE**

**Friday & Saturday, March 15 & 16**

Please start clearing out your closets and bookshelves for the UWF missions.

Questions? Please contact Carolyn Hall at 803.422.0951 or [mchajcek@gmail.com](mailto:mchajcek@gmail.com).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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](mailto:amacrosswell@gmail.com), Taylor White at [tmunnwhite@gmail.com](mailto:tmunnwhite@gmail.com), or Ruthie Taylor at (803) 318-7484. Friends are welcome.

**THE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION COUNCIL** will meet on **Tuesday, February 6**, 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](mailto:ctreece@shandonumc.org)).

**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](mailto: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](https://shandonumc.org/redcross).

**SEEKERS:** Young adults age 30 or younger are invited to join the Seekers group for lunch following the 11 o'clock services on the **second and fourth Sundays of each month**. The group will meet at the playgrounds before departing. **February 11:** McAlister's on Forest Drive. **February 25:** Cantina 76 on Devine Street.

**CALLING ALL MEN:** Our monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on **Thursday, February 15** from 7:30-8:15 a.m. in Player Hall. Chef Tim will be serving up a full breakfast and Wesley Peel will provide the program, so grab a friend or two and plan to join us for some great food, wonderful fellowship and an inspiring message.

**REGISTER NOW FOR RACE FOR THE PLACE 2024 5K** to support the homeless families and children at St. Lawrence Place and Family Shelter. **Saturday, February 24**, 8:00 a.m. For information visit [homelessnomore.org](https://homelessnomore.org) and click on the events page.

**TECHNOLOGY HELP:** Are you struggling with your email? Can't find a file or just need help using all the features on your devices? Help is on the way! Gardner Long, the former Vice President of Technology at Chattanooga State College, will provide technical support on **the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. beginning Tuesday, February 6, 2024**. Future dates are March 5, April 2, and May 7, 2024. Please call (478) 731-8289 or email him at [gardnerlongji@gmail.com](mailto:gardnerlongji@gmail.com) to set up an appointment with him. You will need to bring your devices – phones, tablets, laptops.

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

**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 20). 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, February 11**, at the 11:00 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary. All choir mothers are invited to sing with the St. Nicholas Choir on February 11. The anthem is "My Mother's Love." Rehearsals with the St. Nicholas Choir and moms, will be from 6pm-6:15pm on **Wednesday, February 7** in the St. Nicholas Choir Room.

**LENTEN REFLECTIONS:** Get ready for a special Lenten experience! Starting February 14, our Children's Ministry will share daily video messages on our social media. Sign up at [shandonumc.org/children](https://shandonumc.org/children) or scan the QR code to join the 40-day Lenten reflections.



**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](https://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](mailto: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.

**YOUTH CHOIR:** 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!

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

## DEATH WITH DIGNITY MEMORIAL SERVICE

**Sunday, February 18, 2:00 p.m.**

**Richland County Cemetery, 779 Old Clemson Road**

The remains of nearly 20 people are buried each quarter at the Richland County Cemetery, the final resting place for the unclaimed and often forgotten. Shandon UMC is honored to support the Richland County Coroner's Office in their Death with Dignity Memorial Service, Sunday, February 18, 2:00pm-3:00pm, to give these people the proper burial they deserve. Please join us for this service at 779 Old Clemson Road, in Northeast Columbia off of Clemson Road. Rev. Smoke will offer words of comfort and a few choir members will sing. The cemetery is located at the top of a hill, so please wear comfortable shoes and bring a folding chair, as seating is limited. "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." – Matthew 25:40



**Register now for Race for the Place 2024  
to support the homeless families and  
children at St. Lawrence Place and  
Family Shelter!**

Saturday, February 24

8:00 a.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
3600 Devine St.

Fun Run at 9:00 a.m.



[Register Here](#)

For more information, visit [homelessnomore.org](http://homelessnomore.org) and click on  
our events page

*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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