



SHandon

UNITED METHODIST

LIFELINE CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE

Shandon United Methodist Church

Sunday, December 10, 2023

11:05 a.m.



Order of Worship

Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 10, 2023

Opening Song *Your Grace is Enough* | Chris Tomlin

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Lighting the Advent Wreath Bennett & Ann-Stanton Gore and Family

Ministry Moment Suzanne Brooks, Habitat for Humanity

Song of Praise *Little Drummer Boy*

Reception of New Members

Children's Moment Cari Treece

Following the Children's Sermon, childcare is available for 4 & 5 year olds in Knox Bldg., Room 115.

Prayers of the People

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 *King of Glory* | Worship Together

Scripture Mark 1:1-8

Sermon "Someone's Following Me"
Rev. James Grubb

Song of Celebration *Joy To The World Unspeakable Joy*

*All children are invited to come forward.

News and Notes

ADVENT OFFERING: The Outreach Commission has selected the following for the Advent Offering this year: Haiti missions, Harvest Hope, and Habitat for Humanity. Please consider a generous donation to support these important missions. You can give online or on your offering envelope—please note “advent” in the memo line.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Today, we warmly Maurice “Moe” and Whitney Huttenlocker. Moe will join by Profession of Faith and Whitney comes to us by transfer from another UMC congregation. Their daughter Tatum will also be baptized. We also welcome John Wienges, Jr., who joins today in the Traditional service by transfer from another UMC congregation and Allie Lombardi, who joins in the Traditional service by transfer from another denomination.

BE PART OF OUR SPECTACULAR LIFELINE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT! Next Sunday we need all our young friends to help us with this year's LifeLine Christmas Pageant. Children and youth (and even any desiring adults) will be invited before the service to select which role they would like to play (Angels, Shepherds, Wise Men, or Animals) and pick out your "costume." During the program each group will be invited to come on stage and be a part of the story. We need as big a cast as we can get, so please plan to come a little early next week to help us make this the best Christmas Pageant ever!

IGNITE YOUR FAITH: Enroll in Winter 2024 Adult Christian Education Classes Now! Connect with fellow Christians and deepen your faith. Classes begin the week of January 7, 2024. Register online at shandonumc.org/doorways.

THE EDDIE HUSS & FRIENDS BENEFIT CONCERT will be held on **Sunday, December 17 at 4:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. Annette Matthews, Debbie Bauer, Bradley Fuller, and Eddie Huss will perform enchanting music for two pianos composed by Rachmaninoff and Liszt. Vocalists, Johnnie Felder, and Anna Flynn will also perform on the program.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST: All men are invited to attend the Prayer Breakfast on **Thursday, December 21, from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.** in Player Hall. Bring a friend. An offering to cover the cost of the meal will be received.

FINDING PEACE AMIDST HOLIDAY GRIEF: Attend Our Annual Blue Christmas Service for Comfort and Support on **Thursday, December 21, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.**

TAKE THE TREK TO SHANDON UMC MEMBERSHIP! Our upcoming sessions, starting January 21, are tailored for those ready to join our church family. Connect with us on January 21, 24, and 31 in Wesley Hall at the Bruner Education Building. Already a member? Encourage others to join! For full details and registration for prospective members, visit shandonumc.org/trek. Questions? Contact Pastor James Grubb at jgrubb@shandonumc.org.

CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE – Sunday, December 24 (No Sunday School)

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service – Sanctuary

11:05 a.m. LifeLine Contemporary Service

4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service – Sanctuary

Live nativity from 4:40 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and from 5:40 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service – Sanctuary

9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service – Sanctuary

NO LIFELINE ON NEW YEAR'S EVE—Sunday, December 31

CHILDREN'S CHOIR CHRISTMAS MUSICAL: Join us **Wednesday, December 13, at 6:15 p.m.** in the Sanctuary.

MYF ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BASH! Calling All 7th-12th Graders. Bring Your Friends to the Gym from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.! All students are asked to wear their best Christmas pajamas and bring a wrapped gift of no more than \$7 for a white elephant gift exchange. We will play games and eat Chinese food for dinner!

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.

PAJAMA DRIVE FOR EMS CLOSET: Our student ministry will collect new Christmas pajamas for the EMS closet to be donated to students in need in the public schools in our area. These pajamas will be distributed to elementary students so they can participate in their school Christmas-themed events. **We will collect boys' and girls' pajama sizes 4T-16 until December 11.** Students can bring their donations to church on Sunday or drop them off in Andy's office during the week.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES for church membership begin on **Sunday, January 21, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.** To register your 6th grader, visit shandonumc.org/register. For more information, please contact Lesli Wood, Director of Christian Education, at lwood@shandonumc.org or (803) 256-8383.

HIGH SCHOOL SKI RETREAT: Register now for our High School Ski and Worship Retreat in West Virginia from **February 9-11, 2024.** Cost: \$315, covers transportation, lodging, ski tickets, meals at the lodge, and equipment rentals. Registration deadline: Jan. 5, 2023, at shandon-umc.org/register.



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