



**LIFELINE CONTEMPORARY SERVICE**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**Sunday, May 18, 2025**  
**11:05 a.m.**

## **Order of Worship**

**Opening Song**

*Start a Fire | Unspoken*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Ministry Moment**

**The Gideons International**

**Song**

*My Jesus | Anne Wilson*

**Children's Sermon**

**Cari Treece**

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

**Prayers of the People**

**Offering**

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

**Offertory Song**

*Multiplied | NEEDTOBREATHE*

**Scripture**

**Acts 11: 1-18**

**Sermon**

**The Voice**  
**Rev. Smoke Kanipe**

**Song of Celebration**

*Little Light of Mine | Bruce Springsteen*

\*All children are invited to come forward.

**Benediction**

# NEWS & NOTES

**RECEPTION FOR YOUTH MISSION PROJECT LEADERS:** Join us right after the **11:00 a.m. worship services in Wesley Hall** in honor of Gene Watts, Joe Lawrence, Bob Roof, and Big Mama (Carolyn Fields) for their years of service to Youth Mission Project. We hope you will join us for a special time to honor the years they've served and the years to come in service!

**BLOOD DRIVE:** We are hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive in Player Hall **Today, May 18 until 1:30 p.m.** Participants will receive a \$20 e-gift card and get a chance to win a USA trip of their choice. Sign up at [shandonumc.org/redcross](http://shandonumc.org/redcross).

**SEEKERS LUNCH:** Join the Seekers for lunch **Today, May 18 at Taziki's**. Feel free to bring friends, and we hope to see you there! Young professionals aged 23 to 30 seeking fellowship and community are welcome to join the Seekers group. Complete the interest form at [shandonumc.org/seekers](http://shandonumc.org/seekers) to be added to the group email list.

**LOSS OF A SPOUSE:** The death of a spouse brings a unique kind of pain. In addition to losing a loved one, traditions and a couple's lifestyle have been lost. If you know this kind of pain, you are invited to join us **Today, May 18, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.** as Lilla Ann Briggs hosts GriefShare's Loss of a Spouse class in Knox Room 214. All materials will be provided. Register at [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events) or email Lilla Ann: [forgiventoo7@gmail.com](mailto:forgiventoo7@gmail.com)

## 2025 SHANDON CUP

We are excited to announce that our sports and recreation program, Shandon Cup, will return this summer! Anyone aged 18 years or older are invited to join. This summer's primary activity will be volleyball—all skill levels are welcome! We will gather on **Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.** in the Gym. The program will run **from May 21 to July 30** (excluding June 4 for VBS). The cost for participating is \$10 per person, which includes all activities, equipment, and a hot dog cookout at the season's end. Childcare is available for infants through rising 6th graders but must be requested. Register online: [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events)

**CHRISMON CLASS:** Join us for the second of four Chrismon workshop events on **Sunday, June 8, in the Conference Room**. The first session will be from **3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**, and the second session will be from **4:00 - 5:30 p.m.** While getting to know fellow church members, you will learn the meaning and craft of Chrismon making. All materials are provided, and space is limited. Register at [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events)

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**LIVE ON THE LAWN:** Mark your calendars—our summer concert series kicks off **Tuesday, June 10, at 6:30 p.m.** with Prettier Than Matt. Bring your blankets or folding chairs and join your friends for a great evening of music. Food will be available for purchase.

**SEEDS OF HOPE** returns for our summer farmer's market in the courtyard at Shandon every Saturday morning **8:00 - 11:00 a.m.**, starting **June 14**. Our produce will continue to be provided by our local farmer, Louis Reed, from Greeleyville. To volunteer or ask questions please contact Brian Stricklin, 267-243-2030, [bcstricklin@yahoo.com](mailto:bcstricklin@yahoo.com) or Holley Neuffer, 803-727-3634.

**AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL:** Join us to celebrate America the Beautiful on **Sunday, June 22, at noon in the gym**. This is a family event to be enjoyed by all. A buffet lunch including fried chicken, barbeque, and all the sides will be served. Adult meals are \$11.00, and children meals are \$5.00. Reservations are required **by Monday, June 18, at 5:00 p.m.** Make your reservations at [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events).

## **WWJP? (WHERE WOULD JESUS PARK?)**

Well, of course, Jesus walked everywhere, so he wouldn't actually have to deal with the parking challenges we face on Sundays! But seriously, we need to be very careful and considerate in our parking habits.

**Please avoid parking at the Exxon, CVS, or on the grass at Dreher.**

# CHILDREN & STUDENTS

## **BLESSING BAGS - CHILDREN'S SUMMER MISSIONS FOCUS:**

Throughout May, Shandon's Children's Sunday school classes will gather items to create Blessing Bags to reach out to the homeless community. Collection barrels will be located in the Great Hall of the Bruner Building and at the entrance of the Dunn Smith Building. See the ***May Voice*** for the items that are needed.

## **METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP—STUDENTS GRADE 7-12**

**May 18:** Worship and Games Night! All 6-12 graders and their friends will meet for dinner, games, and an acoustic worship service from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. We will start our meeting in the Youth Zone Game Room.

**May 25:** MYF out for dinner! Meet us at Groucho's on Forest Drive from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Don't forget your money and a friend!

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**MYF TRIP TO CAROWINDS:** Mark your calendars for our annual MYF Trip to Carowinds on **Tuesday, June 17!** Registration is \$60 per person, which includes a park ticket and one meal voucher. All 6th–12th graders and their friends are invited. Register at [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events)

**YOUTH USHER SUNDAY:** Our middle and high school students will serve as ushers in our traditional worship services on **Sunday, June 29, at 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.** In this role, our students will hand out bulletins before service and help collect the offering. We need at least eight students for each service. Please email Andy at [amorris@shandonumc.org](mailto:amorris@shandonumc.org) to let us know at which service your student will serve.

**TREASURED - FOR MOMS AND TWEEN DAUGHTERS:** This 6-session faith-based study is designed for moms and daughters to help them connect and talk about topics critical to the preteen years: identity, body, emotions, friendships, technology, and faith. If you have a 4th–6th-grade daughter and would like to participate in this study over the summer, please email Cari Treece at [ctreece@shandonumc.org](mailto:ctreece@shandonumc.org). Days and times are flexible and will be determined by the group.

## SUMMER FUN AND FELLOWSHIP FOR CHILDREN THIS SUMMER

**Popsicles at the Park:** Children of all ages and their parents should join us on **Tuesday, June 17, from 5:00–6:00 p.m.** at Gills Creek Memorial Park Splash Pad for playtime with friends, popsicles, and a Bible story with Ms. Cari. This IS NOT a drop-off event.

**Movie Night:** Drop off your rising kindergarten–rising 6th grade children for a movie and fun with friends on **Wednesday, July 9, from 5:30–7:00 p.m.** in Player Hall

**Bingo Night:** Get ready to play! **Wednesday, July 23, from 5:30–7:00 p.m.** in Player Hall. This is a drop off event for rising kindergarten–rising 6th grade. Younger children may attend if accompanied by a parent.

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