

# SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

In Thee Is Gladness

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 152

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

*Forest Green*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**

**let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

**In his hand are the depths of the earth;**

**the heights of the mountains are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it,

and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

**O come, let us worship and bow down,**

**let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!** (Psalm 95:1-6)

\*GLORIA PATRI NO. 71

*Greatorex*

**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.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Come, Holy Spirit of grace and truth:  
take our lips and speak through them;  
take our minds and think through them;  
take our hearts and set them on fire. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Pew Bible, N.T. pp. 39-40

## SERMON

“Tradition”

Rev. C. E. “Smoke” Kanipe

## 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.)

Let Us Break Bread Together  
Grant Ebert, baritone

arr. Douglas Wagner

Let us break bread together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. Let us drink wine together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. Let us praise God together on our knees; when I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

(11:00 a.m.)

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Benjamin Harrison

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone; Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood. Alleluia! Bread of heaven, Thou on earth our food, our stay! Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to Thee from day to day; intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea. Alleluia, not as orphans are we left in sorrow now. Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how; though the cloud from sight received him, when the forty days were o'er. Shall our hearts forget the promise, "I am with you evermore."

\*DOXOLOGY NO. 95

*Old 100th*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and merciful God,  
we confess that we have not always taken upon ourselves the yoke of obedience,  
nor been willing to seek and to do your perfect will.  
We have not loved you with all our heart and mind and soul and strength,  
neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
You have called to us in the need of our sisters and brothers,  
and we have passed unheeding on our way.  
In the pride of our hearts and our unwillingness to repent,  
we have turned away from the cross of Christ and have grieved your Holy Spirit.  
Have mercy upon us, and forgive us, we pray,  
in the name of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. 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.  
Thank you for your generosity!*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hymn 172	My Jesus, I Love Thee	<i>Gordon</i>
Hymn 628	Eat This Bread	<i>Berthier</i>
Hymn 405	Seek Ye First	<i>Seek Ye</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.**

\*HYMN 261                      Lord of the Dance                      19<sup>th</sup> c. Shaker Tune

\*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.**

\* CHORAL RESPONSE                      Go Now in Peace                      Robert Lau

**Go now in peace, and may God’s peace go with you.  
Believe, and trust his holy word. Amen.**

\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Voluntary

John Stanley

*\*Congregation standing*

*The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God by Holly Neuffer and Bonnie Mullis in memory of their parents, John and Jane Brewer, on the anniversary of their wedding; and in loving honor of our grandparents, Linda and Von Suber by Spire and Benjamin Wilson.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE TREK NEW MEMBER CLASS** is Shandon UMC's pathway to membership. Our next course is set to begin on September 15, from 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. It is designed to help you connect with our ministers and staff, our ministries, and one another. Register online at [shandonumc.org/trek](http://shandonumc.org/trek).

**FOOD DRIVE:** Cooperative Ministry serves our neighbors who experience food insecurity. Please remember to bring items to Shandon on the **2nd Sunday of each month**. For September and October you are encouraged to bring any of these items: canned tuna, canned fruit, baked beans, or Ramen noodles. Our **next collection date is September 8, 2024**.

**SUNDAY MORNING SERIES WITH DAVID SHIELDS:** Join David Shields in the Chapel on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45 a.m. for an informative series on the Jerusalem Church, James the brother of Jesus, and Jewish Christianity. No book is needed, you do not have to sign up, and all are welcome to attend any Sundays you are available. The series runs August 25-October 20. For more information contact Ruthie Taylor [rtaylor@shandonumc.org](mailto:rtaylor@shandonumc.org) or 803-318-7484.

**SHANDON SISTERS** provides connections for young women (ages 25ish - 45ish). Join us 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. Our next meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 19, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.** at Ashley Brantley's home. 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!

**WEDNESDAY MANNA** is a midweek fellowship gathering offering a shared meal and community time for all ages. Manna returns on **Wednesday, September 11**, in Player Hall from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Prices are \$9.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Meals must be purchased in advance at [shandonumc.org/meals](http://shandonumc.org/meals). Childcare is available in the gym from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**ART EXHIBIT:** Many thanks to Beth Rametta for sharing her artwork now on display in the Beckler Gallery in the Great Hall. Everyone is invited to stop by to enjoy these wonderful paintings!

**SEEKERS GROUP FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS ...** Young professionals ages 23-30 seeking fellowship and community are welcome to join the Seekers group for lunch twice a month, following the 11:00 a.m. worship services. The Seekers Group will meet this month on Sunday, September 8, at Cantina 76 and on Sunday, September 22, at Taziki's. Feel free to join us and bring your friends. To be added to the email list, please complete the interest form at [shandonumc.org/seekers](http://shandonumc.org/seekers).

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**STORIES AND SONGS:** As Christians, we are called to share our stories of faith with others. Join us on **Sunday, September 15, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** to hear a blend of traditional and contemporary music, and the inspiring personal faith journeys of Jeff and Stephanie Black and Creston Brown. Childcare for infants to 3-year-olds will be provided starting at 5:45 p.m., with a special event for children (4-year preschoolers to 5th graders) led by our Student Ministry from 5:45-7:00 p.m., where they will enjoy games, faith stories, and songs. A light, family-friendly meal will be available in Player Hall from 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. No advance registration is required, and the meal cost is \$9 for adults and \$4 for children. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of an evening that celebrates the power of shared testimonies and songs!

**COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS** are opportunities to listen to each other in groups of about 10 as we discern God's will for Shandon. The key questions will be ... "What do you value most highly about Shandon UMC?" and "How do you think the recent decisions of our UMC General Conference may, or should, impact the things you value about Shandon?" We pray that these conversations will be times for speaking what is on our hearts and, even more importantly, for listening to our brothers and sisters speak what is on their hearts. If this can happen, we can grow closer as a congregation while discerning God's direction together. We have scheduled three sets of conversations in September — **September 10, 22, 24**. If interest is high, we'll plan more for October. Please register at [shandonumc.org/register](http://shandonumc.org/register).

**CONNECTIONS TRIP:** On Thursday, September 19, we are planning a trip to the Hendersonville area to purchase apples and visit the Carl Sandburg Home. After choosing our apples, cider and other goodies at Justus Orchard, we will enjoy a delicious picnic box lunch on the grounds of the Sandburg Home and then tour the farm. Departure time is 8:30 a.m. and return by 4:00 p.m. The only cost for the trip is \$12.00 for your lunch, but you will need money for purchases at the orchard.

**GOOD BOUNDARIES AND GOODBYES:** Boundaries are healthy and help us to enjoy loving relationships. Do you struggle to say no? Are you feeling overwhelmed and responsible for others' emotions? Come alongside author Lysa TerKeurst, and learn 5 critical points to establishing healthy boundaries. Register online at [shandonumc.org/doorways](http://shandonumc.org/doorways)

**DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY:** Would you like to learn more about the Bible but have no idea where or how to start? The Disciple I Bible study is the place for you! As a Bible study student and leader for the past 30 years, I have found this study to be one of the best. This foundational survey of the entire Bible will enhance all your future studies.

— Ruthie Taylor, Director of Adult Studies

Register online at [shandonumc.org/doorways](http://shandonumc.org/doorways).

**GRIEFSHARE:** Beginning **Sunday, September 8, at 3:00 p.m.**, join this group to learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability — and gain solid support in a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Register online at [shandonumc.org/doorways](http://shandonumc.org/doorways).

# CHILDREN & STUDENTS

**CHILDREN'S CHOIRS:** Registration for the St. Nicholas Choir (grades 2-5) and the Cherub Choir (K5-1<sup>st</sup> grade) is online on our website at [shandonumc.org/register](http://shandonumc.org/register). Many thanks to our leaders, Amy Martin, Donna Salais, and Julia Turner. Choir rehearsals will begin on **Wednesday, September 11, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Dubose Children's Building.

**CHILDREN'S CHAPEL SERIES:** Join us on **Sundays, September 8, 15, and 22**, during the 11:00/11:05 a.m. worship services as we embark on the Children's Chapel Series. This special series is designed for families with 4-year-old Preschool, K5, and 1st-grade children. Sessions, while different, are stand-alone. Immediately after the Children's Sermon, participants are invited to join Susan Curran and Cari Treece in Player Hall to learn about worship in age-appropriate activities. Parents attend these sessions with their children.

**POPCORN & MOVIE:** Children's "Popcorn and Movie" will be offered during the Sunday school hour for our 4-year-old through 5th-grade Sunday school classes on **Sunday, September 1, from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.** Children may be dropped off and picked up in Player Hall.

**PARENT ORIENTATION FOR 6TH GRADE CONFIRMATION** - Parents of 6th graders are invited to join us on **Sunday, September 8, from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.** in Bruner Room 220 for our Parent Orientation for 6th Grade Confirmation. At this orientation, we will review the content and schedule of the Confirmation Preparation classes and share ways in which parents may invest in the process with the group. Student registration for Confirmation Preparation is open at [shandonumc.org/register](http://shandonumc.org/register).

**CUB SCOUT ICE CREAM SOCIAL ...** Do you like camping? Hiking? Games and adventure? Then Cub Scouts might be the perfect place for you. Join us on **Sunday, September 8, at 4:00 p.m.** for an ice cream social and Lego derby. An informational meeting will begin at 4:30 p.m. in Player Hall, following the ice cream social. All children in 5K-5th grade and parents are welcome. For more information, please contact Dylan Goff at [dylan@gofflawgroup.com](mailto:dylan@gofflawgroup.com) or 803-216-1008.

**BIBLE PRESENTATION FOR 3RD GRADERS:** Our congregation will present Bibles to our 3rd-grade students on **Sunday, September 22**, at the 11:00 a.m. Traditional and the 11:05 a.m. LifeLine services. If you have a child in 3rd grade this fall, please complete the registration so we may prepare a Bible for them. Register your child online at [shandonumc.org/register](http://shandonumc.org/register).

## 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, as school starts and more of us are back in church, we need to be *very* careful and considerate in our parking habits. A few friendly suggestions ...

1. **The lot beside the church** is important for those with mobility challenges, young children, and our first-time visitors. Please pay careful attention to handicap parking signs, including those for handicap accessible vans.
2. **The lot across Devine Street** is our largest parking lot. On most Sundays we have an off-duty police officer to assist us in crossing the street. On the relatively rare occasions when no officer is available, please be sure to use the crosswalks.
3. **Our friends at Dreher** are nice enough to share their front lot with us. Please do not park on the grass anywhere on the Dreher property.
4. **There are a number of parking spaces on Adger Road.** Please do not park by the yellow curb sections of Adger Road, especially close to the intersection.

*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  
Associate Minister: The Reverend Maggie Cantey  
Minister of Music & Arts: The Reverend D. Edwin Huss, Jr.

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