



LIFELINE CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

Ascension Sunday

Sunday, May 17, 2026 | 11:05 a.m.

Order of Worship

Opening Song

Reckless Love | Cory Asbury

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Song

Let The Redeemed | Josh Baldwin

Children's Sermon

Cari Treece

Following the Children's Sermon, childcare is available for 4 and 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 or via the Realm App (onrealm.org/shandonumc)

Offertory Song

It Is Well | Kristene DiMarco

Scripture

Acts 1:6-14

Sermon

Waiting and Praying | Rev. Smoke Kanipe

Song of Celebration

**All children are invited to come forward.*

Benediction

This Little Light of Mine | Bruce Springsteen

Announcements

Red Cross Blood Drive: The Shandon Blood Drive is TODAY, **May 17**, in Player Hall, from 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Please go to shandonumc.org/redcross to sign up. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be taken first. A \$20 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice will be emailed to you after your donation.

UWF Book Discussion: Members of circles, Shandon UMC, and guests are invited to join Claire Manning on Monday, **May 18**, from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor to discuss the book *The Big Deal of Taking Small Steps to Move Closer to God* by Vashti McKenzie.

Men's Prayer Breakfast: All men are invited to join us on Thursday, **May 21**, from 7:30-8:15 a.m. in Player Hall for Pastor Grubb's final Prayer Breakfast. A delicious breakfast will be followed by a short program led by Pastor James. Please join us and bring a friend.

Shandon UMC Book Club: Join the Shandon UMC Book Club on the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in Bruner 224 as we discuss titles across a diverse range of topics. **May 21:** *Buckeye* by Patrick Ryan. To receive the book list and get meeting reminders, please email Gera Singletary at davegera4@icloud.com.

Live on the Lawn Concert Series: Join us for Live on the Lawn, a summer concert series sponsored by Hospitality. The first concert will be Thursday, **May 21**, at 6:30 p.m. on the East Lawn, featuring Prettier Than Matt. Bring your lawn chair, invite a friend, and enjoy an evening of music, food, and community. The concert is free and open to all. Food and treats will be available for purchase.

Seekers: Young professionals ages 23-30 are invited to join the Seekers, a group centered on connection and community. The next monthly gathering will be held on Sunday, **May 24**, at 12:15 p.m. at Taziki's. To learn more or join the email list, contact Rev. Maggie or complete the interest form at shandonumc.org/seekers.

UWF DISTRICT MEETING: Our Shandon United Women in Faith unit will host "Racial Justice," with speaker Ms. Chip Walters, Executive Director of Sidewalk Hope, on Saturday, **May 30**, in Player Hall. Registration and breakfast begin at 9:30 a.m., and the program will be from 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Anne Philbeck will be playing the piano. We encourage you to attend. To register, please email Melissa Tringali (mbtringali2@yahoo.com) with your name, address, phone, and email by May 20. Your \$15 registration fee will be paid by our UWF.

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Opportunities: Construction begins **June 4**. No experience is needed, just a willing heart and hands ready to serve. We strongly encourage groups to sign up and serve together. <https://vhub.at/cschabitatforhumanity>

Shandon Cup Returns This Summer: We are excited to announce that Shandon's summer recreational volleyball ministry will run from **June 10** through **July 29** on Wednesday evenings from 6–7:30 p.m. in the gym. Go to shandonumc.org/events for more details and to register.

Thank You, Pastor James! Pastor James Grubb, along with his wife Claire, began serving Shandon UMC in June 2018. He will retire on June 14. A farewell reception will be held for James and Claire in Player Hall after the 11:00 service on June 14. If you would like to contribute to a love offering for the Grubbs, please place a check in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. Please make your check out to "James Grubb," NOT "Shandon UMC." Online giving is not available for this.

Allen Fund Recipients: The Allen Educational Fund honors Dr. Harvey A. Allen and Mrs. Judy M. Allen. Established by the JOY Class and grateful church members, the fund provides educational assistance to students connected to Shandon. Congratulations to these students receiving a grant for the 2026–27 academic year.

Emory Anne Bell
Clemson University

Caroline Hethcox
College of Charleston

Daniel Brown
Wake Forest University

Lilly Ingram
University of Mississippi

Sarah Campbell Brown
Duke University

Monty Laffitte
Clemson University

Connor Buchanan
Wofford College

Sam McCutcheon
Newberry College

Owen Cameron
Lander University

GT Oliver
University of South Carolina

Maddy Curran
University of South Carolina

Addison Sanders
Clemson University

Sarah Daniels
Clemson University

Anna Lee Smith
University of South Carolina

Davis Dunlap
Taylor University

Anna Katherine Snyder
Clemson University

Michael Graf
Medical University of South Carolina

Joe Sorrell
Gardner-Webb

Brant Hagler
Clemson University

Landon Connor Young
Coastal Carolina University

Children & Students

Popcorn and Movie Sunday: Children's "Popcorn and a Movie" will be offered during the Sunday School hour for our 4-year-old through 5th-grade Sunday School classes on Sunday, **May 24**, from 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. Children may be dropped off and picked up in Player Hall.

Summer Sunday School for Children: Beginning on Sunday, **May 31**, we will combine Children's Sunday school grade levels into 3 groups. K4-K5, 1st-2nd, and 3rd-5th. The last date of the combined Sunday school will be Sunday, July 26.

Summer Fun and Fellowship for Children

Movie Night: June 17, Player Hall, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., rising Kindergarten-rising 6th grade. This is a drop-off event.

Popsicles at the Park: July 9, 5-6 p.m., Gills Creek Memorial Park Splash Pad, children of all ages. This is NOT a drop-off event.

Summer Bingo: July 19, Player Hall, 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., rising Kindergarten-rising 6th grade. This is a drop-off event.

Water Day: July 29, rising 4K-rising 6th grade (Times TBD) This is a drop-off event

Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF): May 17: Is the end of school tiring you out? Let's take a study break and compete in some team games! Join us from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for dinner, fellowship, open gym, games, and Bible study.

Youth Mission Project (YMP): This year's YMP is taking place right here in Columbia on **July 12-16**. Students who have completed 9th-12th grades this year are invited to sign up. Learn more in the May issue of The Voice or sign up before June 1 at shandonumc.org/events.



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