

SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Voluntary in D Major

William Boyce

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. C. E. "Smoke" Kanipe, Jr.

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 126 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.**

O magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together.

**I sought the LORD, and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears.**

Look to him, and be radiant;
so your faces shall never be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD,
and was saved from every trouble.**

The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**O taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.**

(Psalm 34:1-8)

*GLORIA PATRI NO. 71

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**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

**Lord Jesus, you are our Good Shepherd,
and we are the sheep of your own flock.**

**May your word be a lamp unto our feet
and a light unto our path.**

In your precious and holy name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 12:9-21

Pew Bible, N.T. pgs. 151-152

SERMON

“Overcome Evil with Good”

Rev. C. E. “Smoke” Kanipe, Jr.

THE OFFERING

To give online go to: www.shandon-umc.org/give
Or Text 73256 and enter SUMC

Our Communion offering is used to serve our neighbors in need. Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

God of Mercy, God of Grace
Chancel Choir

Jerry Davidson

God of mercy, God of grace, show the brightness of thy face.
Shine upon us, Savior, shine, fill thy Church with light divine,
and thy saving health extend, unto earth's remotest end.
Let thy people praise thee, Lord; be by all that live adored.
Let the nations shout and sing glory to their Savior King;
let all be below, above, one in joy, and light, and love.

*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

**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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION (sung by the choir)

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| In Remembrance of Me | Buryl Red |
| O Taste and See | Ralph Vaughan Williams |
| Author of Life Divine | Malcolm Archer |

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.**

***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**

God Be In My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in mine heart and in my thinking.
God be at my end and in my departing.

***CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

***CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Voluntary in G Major

John Stanley

*Congregation standing

The flowers at the altar today 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 by Spire and Benjamin Wilson in loving honor of their grandparents, Linda and Von Suber.

Volunteer as an Usher: Feel called to be an Usher at Shandon? We have a couple openings at both the 8:45 and 11:00 traditional services if so inclined. Please contact Darren Foy at (803) 413-3041 for more information.

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NEW PHOTO DIRECTORIES

We are so excited to begin distribution of our new Photo Directories in two phases.

- 1) From September 3-17, we're offering a free copy per family for those who had their photo taken or submitted for the directory, as a way of saying "Thank you for being part of this." These labeled directories will be available in the Great Hall of the Bruner Building for pick up.
- 2) Starting September 18, you can purchase directories for \$20.60 each if your photo wasn't included or if you want extra copies. You can find these directories at the church office throughout the week and in the Great Hall and outside the Gym on Sunday mornings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 3, 2023

ADDITIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS BEGINS: (To meet the growing need of adults – early 30s to 40s) If you're searching for a smaller faith community and a fellowship group, join us for this class at 9:45 a.m. in the Bruner Building, 2nd floor, room 223. For more information about the class, please contact Ruthie Taylor (rtaylor@shandon-umc.org).

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS: Are you ready to become a full member of Shandon UMC? The September TREK Course, Shandon's Pathway to Membership, is currently taking registrations and filling up fast. The course will meet on **Sept 10, 17 & 27**. Childcare is available. This will be our last TREK until September. Go to www.shandon-umc.org/register to sign up today.

JOIN A CHOIR! Adult Chancel Choir Wednesday rehearsals have just begun; meet us at 7pm in the Bruner Bldg. 2nd floor Music Suite. The Kick-Off for our Celebration Choir for older teens and adults is **Wednesday, September 6**, at 6pm in the Music Suite. Youth Choir for grades 6-12 begins **Sunday, September 10**, at 4pm. Children's Choirs for K5-5th grade begin **Wednesday, September 13**, at 6pm on the 2nd floor of the DuBose Building.

SHANDON SISTERS: Women ages 25ish - 45ish join us at the home of Ashley Brantley on **Thursday, September 7**, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. for a time 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 "pearl of wisdom" from one of our facilitators. For more information and the location address contact Anne Marie Crosswell amacrosswell@gmail.com, Taylor White tmunnwhite@gmail.com or Ruthie Taylor 803-318-7484. Friends are welcome.

BILLY GRAHAM LIBRARY TRIP: On **Tuesday, September 12**, we are planning a trip to the Billy Graham Library. Departure time is 8:45 a.m. and return by 3:45 p.m. There is no cost for the tour, but you will need money for lunch and any other purchases. Please sign up by contacting Susan Curran at scurran@shandon-umc.org. **The deadline to register is Sunday, September 10.**

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MANNA RETURNS on **Wednesday, September 13**, in Player Hall. Food Service is from 5:30-6:30 p.m., and pre-registration will be required. Menus are planned, but substitutions may occur based on the availability of food supplies. Meals are \$9.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Childcare will be available in the gym from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The deadline to order Wednesday meals is Monday by 5:00 p.m.

MORE JUSTICE KICKOFF: Join us for the 7th annual MORE Justice Kickoff/House Meeting at SUMC! Bring your concerns and opinions about local issues which impact us all! **Wednesday, September 13**, after Manna, 5:45 - 7:15 in Room 216/217 near the Youth Zone. We need your input as we move ahead in this important ministry! Questions? Contact: David Lee, Carol Lee, Sue Kanipe, Don Tudor, Steve Carter, or Susan Carter.

THE NAOMI & RUTH CIRCLE is back! This circle is for women in their 20s-40s to support one another and grow together in Christ through fellowship and service. We will have an informational meeting on **Wednesday, September 13**, at 6pm in the Knox Building room 201. Childcare is available at this time. Please direct any questions to Sara Ruzensky at 803-280-0558.

TRIPLE T IS BACK: We will resume Triple T on **Tuesday, September 19**, and are returning to our Tuesday/Thursday schedule. Meals are \$9 and are available for pick up in the parking lot from 11:00- until 12:00 p.m. Meals must be pre-ordered; the deadline to order is Monday by 5:00 p.m. each week.

FALL BIBLE STUDY: Looking for a Bible Study to start the school year off with group learning? Fall 2023 Doorways Classes are now available for registration! Please see the events page of our website for details or contact Ruthie Taylor for more information or questions at 803-318-7484.

FOR ALL WOMEN: The Well@Home (September 30): Mark your calendars and register to join us for The Well@Home: a one-day retreat for women hosted on the campus in the gym of Shandon UMC on **Saturday, September 30**, from 8:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Our retreat theme is "Welcome One Another" (Romans 15:7). This retreat is designed to offer time with others, spiritual nurture, and time with our Lord. Our day will include fellowship, music, lunch, and three sessions including closing worship. Registration is open at shandon-umc.org/register, and space is limited, so please register early. The cost is \$21.57.

GRANT APPLICATIONS: The Allen Committee is now accepting grant applications for the spring 2024 academic semester for students in college, technical and professional schools who are members of Shandon UMC or students of Epworth. Shandon members and Epworth students may apply for such awards to the Allen Fund Committee of the JOY Class on our website. The deadline to submit an application for the 2024 spring academic semester is **November 15, 2023**. Please visit shandon-umc.org/allenfund to apply.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

STAY CONNECTED with Student Ministry! We are offering a new and easy way to stay connected with the Student Ministry of Shandon UMC! Text "Shandon" to (203)547-5658 to join our texting list for all Student Ministry updates.

POPCORN & A 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 **today, September 3**, from 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. Children may be dropped off and picked up in Player Hall.

CUB SCOUTS: Join us **next Sunday, September 10** 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 K-5th grade and parents are welcome. For more information, please contact Dylan Goff at dylan@gofflawgroup.com.

CHOIRS FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH: The St. Nicholas Choir and Cherub Choir will begin rehearsals on **Wednesday, September 13**, at 6:00pm. Cherub Choir will be for K5 and 1st grade, St. Nicholas Choir is for grades 2-5. Youth Choir, grades 6-12, will begin on **Sunday, September 10**, at 4:00pm in the Choir Room. Register your child now at <https://bit.ly/choirs923>.

BIBLE PRESENTATION for 3rd Graders: Our congregation will present Bibles to our 3rd grade students on **Sunday, September 17**, during the 11:00 a.m. Traditional and 11:05 a.m. Lifeline services. If you have a child entering third grade this fall, please fill out the information at shandon-umc.org/register, so we may prepare a Bible for them.

CHILDREN/YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION is now open. Basketball Ministry at Shandon is for 2nd to 12th graders. Registration can be found at shandon-umc.org/register and those interested in coaching can email amorris@shandon-umc.org.

OPEN DOORS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED: Epworth Children's Home goes above and beyond providing food and shelter for children who have experienced a rough start in life. It provides children with tutoring, counseling, health care, recreation, and the spiritual formation they need to heal and gain a sense of belonging. Through the ministry of Epworth Children's Home, we open our doors to these children, surround them with comprehensive care and provide them with the opportunity to transform their lives. On **Sunday, September 10**, our congregation will stand with Epworth to break the cycle of abuse, neglect, and shame through our collection of the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering. Without the support of churches like ours, Epworth could not provide transformational care for children in need. We invite you to give generously to the children who are served by Epworth. For more information, please visit Epworth at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

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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