SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in C major

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 66

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

Lauda Anima

*CALL TO WORSHIP

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;

I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in you;

I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,

a stronghold in times of trouble.

Those who know your name put their trust in you,

for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you. (from Psalm 9)

*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.

(11:00 a.m.) THIRD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

(11:00 a.m.) CHILDREN'S SERMON

Cari Treece

(11:00 a.m.) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (Hymnal, pg. 39)

Lydia Susan Davis was born on May 9, 2020; **Rhett Rivers Davis** was born on April 25, 2024. They are the children of Steven and Leah Davis.

(11:00 a.m.) THE BAPTISM SONG: HYMN 611 (verses 1,4)

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign; with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine. Child of God, your loving Parent, learn to know whose child you are. Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

In this hour, in this place, may only God's word be spoken, may only God's word be heard. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 9:30-37

Pew Bible, N.T. p. 42

(8:45 a.m.) CHILDREN'S SERMON

Cari Treece

SERMON

"An Object Lesson"

Rev. C. E. "Smoke" Kanipe

*HYMN 598

O Word of God Incarnate

Munich

*A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA, No. 883

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

THE OFFERING

To give online or by text: www.shandonumc.org/give
Text 73256 and enter SUMC

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(8:45 a.m.) I Sing Praises to Your Name Caroline Hethcox, soprano

Terry MacAlmon

I sing praises to your name, O Lord, for your name is greatly to be praised. I give glory to your name, O Lord, for your name is greatly to be praised.

(11:00 a.m.) Jubilate Deo Chancel Choir

Glenn Rudolph

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands;

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;

it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves:

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise;

be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious; his mercy is everlasting;

and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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.

*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.

*HYMN 67 We, Thy People, Praise Thee

St. Anthony's Chorale

*CHORAL RESPONSE (11:00 a.m.) Softly and Tenderly

Rene Clausen

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling; calling for you and for me.

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling; calling, O sinner, come home.

Come home, you who are weary, come home.

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling; calling, O sinner, come home.

*BENEDICTION

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY Allegro Vivace in F major

G. F. Handel

*Congregation standing

The flowers at the altar are given by Jim and Susan Brant in honor of their wedding anniversary; and by Judy Johnson in loving memory of Gene and Trudy Howell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

3rd GRADERS RECEIVING BIBLES AT 11:00 AND LIFELINE

Rowan Grey Adams Franklin McEntire Bartley Sullivan Ruth Brooks

Landon Wiles Burks Richard Lincoln Carroll Edward Granderson Crosswell, Jr.

Charleigh Eddins Dorothy Jay Bender Elliott James Ervin
Hadley Lynn Grillo Holland Elizabeth Hughes Hazel Grace Jones

Emilie Ford Kaliher Leigh Vivian Klinepeter Camille Elizabeth Marshall
Nora Diana McGovern Samuel Rogers McQueen Townes Wallace Trammell

Mildred Anne Myers Finley Pouch Hodge Michael Pulliam

Brandt Jackson Rawl Andrew Cleveland Reed, Jr. George Salter Stuckey

Maximilian Armando Valdes Blakely Marie Wessinger Walker James Winn

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL SERIES ... Today concludes our Children's Chapel Series during the 11:00/11:05 a.m. worship services. 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 Cari Treece in Player Hall to learn about worship in age-appropriate activities. Parents attend these sessions with their children.

THE DEATH PENALTY: WHAT TO CONSIDER ... Join us in Player Hall from **9:45-10:45 a.m. next Sunday, Sept. 29**. The Rev. Hillary Taylor, Executive Director of South Carolinians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty, will lead us in thinking about Christian perspectives on the death penalty as we are guided by Scripture, Christian tradition, our personal experience of God, and our human reason. All adults are invited. For more information, contact Lesli Wood at lwood@shandonumc.org.

50-YEAR MEMBER RECOGNITION

We will honor our new 50-Year church members on Sunday, September 29. Join us for this special day as we recognize our long-time members during the 11:00 a.m. traditional service. The following members reached this 50-year milestone in 2024: Ken Collins, Mary Collins, Sherry Dickson, Judy Douglas, Samuel Douglas, Jim Finch, Robin Heaton, Steven Melton, Michael Morgan, Nadine Munn, James Patrick Jr., Tommy Pitts, Amy Starr, Janet Stokes, and Raymond Wells.

All 50-year members and 50+ year members are invited to a reception honoring the newest members of this special group in Wesley Hall directly following the 11:00 a.m. traditional service.

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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. There is still space for our Community Conversation on **September 24.** Please register at **shandonumc.org/register**.

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS ... Registration is now available on-line on our Shandon UMC website. Our Cherub and St. Nicholas Choirs rehearse from 6:00-6:45 p.m. on Wednesdays.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR rehearses on Wednesdays, from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. in the music suite. Now is a great time to join the choir as we begin working on music for the fall, Advent, and Christmas!

THE CELEBRATION CHOIR rehearses twice a month and sings on the second Sunday of each month at the 8:45 a.m. service. If you'd like to join them, please email Tim Wert, director at twertsc@gmail.com.

For information about any of our choirs, contact Eddie Huss, Minister of Music, at ehuss@shandon-umc.org. Many thanks to Tamara Silva and Tim Wert for their assistance!

IT'S FAIR TIME! On Thursday, October 10, our Connection older adults are heading to the South Carolina State Fair. Departure time is 10:45 a.m. and return by 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10, but you will need money for lunch and any other purchases. Please sign up by contacting Susan Curran at scurran@shandonumc.org or sign up on the clipboard across from the reception desk. Space is limited.

SEEKERS GROUP FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS...Young professionals ages 23-30 seeking fellowship and community are invited to join the Seekers group for lunch following the 11:00/11:05 a.m. worship services. **The Seekers group will meet today at Taziki's**. Feel free to join us and bring your friends.

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FAMILY BINGO: Join us for bingo, prizes, and dinner on **Friday, September 27, from 6:00–7:30 p.m.** in Player Hall. All families are invited. Bring your friends, too! Chicken fingers and French fries will be served—\$5 for adults, \$3 for children, (2 & under eat free). Registration is required. No childcare is provided. Register online at **shandonumc.org/register**.

CREATE A PUMPKIN SUCCULENT PLANTER: As we look forward to cooling temperatures, are you also looking for a new idea for your fall home décor? Join us on Wednesday, October 16, at 10:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. to make your own pumpkin planter, a real pumpkin topped with live succulents. Details and registration can be found at shandonumc.org/register.

TRIPLE T IS BACK: We will resume Triple T on **Tuesday**, **September 24**, and are returning to our Tuesday/Thursday schedule. Meals must be preordered by 5:00 p.m. on Monday at **shandonumc.org/ meals**. Meals are \$9.00 and are available for pick up in the church parking lot from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

WEDNESDAY MANNA takes place in Player Hall from **5:00 – 6:00 p.m.** Meals are \$9.00 for an adult's meal and \$4.00 for a child's meal. Childcare is available in the gym from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Meals must be purchased in advance online at **shandonumc.org/meals**.

ALLEN GRANT EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE: The Allen Committee is now accepting grant applications for the Spring Semester 2025 for students in college, technical and professional schools who are members of Shandon UMC or students of Epworth. Applicants may apply for such awards to the Allen Fund Committee of the JOY Class at **shandonumc.org/allenfund**. The deadline to submit applications is Thursday, November 14, 2024.

YOUTH BASKETBALL AT SHANDON UMC: All 2nd grade-12th grade girls and boys are invited to participate in the Basketball Ministry of Shandon UMC. Practices will begin in late October for grades 6-12, and games start in November. Practices will begin in November for grades 2-5, and games will start in December. The registration fee is \$75. Registration is open and will close on Friday, October 18. Register at shandonumc.org/register. Space is limited. Church members receive priority. Are you interested in coaching? Please contact Andy Morris, Director of Youth Ministry, at amorris@shandonumc.org.

BLESSING OF THE PETS

Join us for Shandon UMC's annual Blessing of the Animals on **Sunday, October 6, at 3:00 p.m.** in honor of St. Francis of Assisi Day, the patron saint of animals. Bring your leashed or caged pets to the East Lawn by the fountain for a special blessing, and invite your animal-loving friends and neighbors to join.

This year we'll be collecting donations for Pawmetto Lifeline. Give directly to their Amazon wish list by scanning the QR Code or bring items they always need like:

- Gift cards to Staples, Walmart, or Target
- Newspapers
- Canned pedigree dog food
- Friskies pate cat food or gravy
- Dry dog and cat food, any brand
- Dog and cat toys like KONGS or cat nip toys
- Dog treats
- Litter Boxes
- Pine or clumping cat litter

Let's celebrate our beloved pets and support animals in need together!

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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