

SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 3, 2024

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jimmy Adams

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 127 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM Rhondda

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

**He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.**

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

**The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him,
and he makes his covenant known to them.** *(from Psalm 25)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Eternal and all-gracious God,
whose Word never returns to you empty,
but accomplishes that for which you send it:
quiet within us every voice but your own,
so that by the power of your Holy Spirit
the good news of your grace might make us new. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

SERMON

Rev. Jimmy Adams

THE OFFERING

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Text 73256 and enter SUMC

*O Love, that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.
O Joy, that seeks me through the pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.
O Love, that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.*

*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 world 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 D, Hymnal p. 23)

<i>Minister</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Minister</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them up to the Lord.
<i>Minister</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	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

O Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)	John Merbecke
Hymn 614 For the Bread Which You Have Broken	<i>For the Bread</i>
Hymn 473 Lead Me, Lord	<i>Lead Me, Lord</i>
Hymn 613 O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread	<i>Land of Rest</i>
Hymn 339 Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast	<i>Hursley</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.**

*BENEDICTION

Go in peace to walk the way of the cross.

We are sent in the name of the Lord.

May Jesus Christ, who was put to death for our sin, bless you and keep you. **Amen.**

May Jesus Christ, who was raised to life for our salvation, let light shine upon you. **Amen.**

May Jesus Christ be your life, your peace, and your joy, now and forever.

Amen. Thanks be to God!

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Hide Me Under the Shadow of Your Wings

John West

Chancel Choir

*Hide me under the shadow of your wings, O Lord, and give your angels charge concerning me;
that I may lie down in peace, and take my rest, for it is thou, Lord, only who makes me to dwell in safety.*

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Toccata in B Minor

Eugène Gigout

*Congregation standing

*The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God
by Laura, Tucker, and Miller Ayn Smoak
in loving memory of Jeff Smoak.*

LENTEN OFFERING: This Lent, we're supporting three nonprofits that make a positive impact in our community - Family Promise, The Cooperative Ministry, and Free Medical Clinic. Contribute to our Lenten offering online at shandonumc.org/give/lent, text SUMC with your amount to 73256, or send checks to Shandon UMC. Please write "Lenten Offering" on your checks and select it from the dropdown when giving online. Your generosity makes a difference.

EASTER LILIES: Sponsor an Easter lily for our worship spaces in honor or memory of your loved one. Each plant is \$20. You can also give a donation to our Landscaping Fund. The deadline to order is **Sunday, March 17**. Order online at shandonumc.org/register.

THANK YOU

On behalf of the Richland County Coroner's Office team, I want to thank every Shandon UMC member who attended our recent Death with Dignity burial service and those who prayed over the work we were doing that day ... remembering those unclaimed and often forgotten. What a blessing to have several of your choir members sing and Rev. Smoke Kanipe talk about how God knows every single star in the universe, and He also knows all eighteen citizens that we laid to rest. Having Shandon UMC as our first church to support this service means a great deal to my staff, and to me personally. We are forever grateful for everyone's kindness and compassion. – Naida Rutherford, Coroner

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

CLOTHING AND BOOK SALE

Friday, March 15, 8:00 am-2:30 pm

Saturday, March 16, 8:00 am -1:00 pm

Please clear out your closets and bookshelves for the UWF missions!

Drop off days:

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 12 & 13

8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Please bring your “hanging clothes” on hangers
and any jewelry in individual bags, if possible.

Boxes are also needed.

Volunteers are needed all week for set up.

Questions: contact Marisa Vickers at 803.467.0613 or vickersmarisa@gmail.com.

Lastly, we can use people to donate lunches and/or snacks for our volunteers.

If you are interested in that, please contact Carolyn Hall at 803.422.0951 or mchajcek@gmail.com.

All proceeds go to missions.

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS AVAILABLE

The Allen Committee is now accepting grant applications for the Fall semester 2024 for college, technical and professional schools. Students who are members of Shandon UMC and Epworth students may apply for such awards to the Allen Fund Committee of the JOY class on the SUMC website. The deadline to submit an application for the Fall academic semester is **April 30, 2024**. Please visit shandonumc.org/allenfund to apply.

PHONE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Cooperative Ministry seeks volunteers to answer calls and greet clients during tax season on Mondays-Thursdays, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Training provided. Contact Scott Vaughn at (803) 799-2428 or svaughan@coopmin.org.

SEEKERS: Young professionals aged 20-30 seeking fellowship and community are welcome to join the Seekers group for lunch twice a month following the 11:00 a.m. services. On **Sunday, March 10**, Seekers will meet at Taziki's on Cross Hill Road and on **March 24** at Kairos on Devine Street. Feel free to join us and bring your friends. To be added to the e-mail list, please complete the interest form at shandonumc.org/seekers.

MARCH TREK COURSE: Are you ready to become a member of Shandon UMC? The next TREK Course, Shandon's Pathway to Membership, begins on **March 10**. The course will meet on Mar 10, 17 & 20. Childcare is available. Go to shandonumc.org/trek to learn more & sign up today.

A LENTEN SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER will be held on **Sunday, March 17**, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Our Chancel Choir, Youth Choir and Wesley Ringers Bell Choir will present special music during the service. Everyone is invited to attend.

MORE JUSTICE: Please join us at the MORE Justice 7th Annual Nehemiah Action Assembly, **Monday, March 18**, 6:00 p.m. at the Eau Claire High School Auditorium (carpooling available). Issues to be addressed with public officials include Gun Violence, Affordable Housing, and Food Insecurity in Richland County. This is the ONLY SUMC ministry dedicated to "doing justice", as Micah 6:8 mandates us to do! Bring your family and friends. Questions? Contact Carol Lee, 803-315-4291 or David Lee 803-261-4988.

KAIROS COOKIE MINISTRY needs your baking talents. The next 4-day Walk at McCormick County Correctional Institution is **March 19 – 22**, and the team typically uses about 4000 cookies. When are cookies needed? Bring them to Wesley Hall **no later than Sunday, March 17**. There will be a table with a Kairos sign on it. For more information, please contact John Saine, 803-727-7296, saine59@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL MEN: Our monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on **March 21** from 7:30-8:15 a.m. in Wesley Hall (NOTE: This is a change from our usual location!). Chef Tim will be serving up a full breakfast, and the program will be provided by Raymond Wells. So grab a friend or two and plan to join us for some great food, wonderful fellowship, and an inspiring message.

LENTEN CROSS CLASS: Join us in Player Hall on **Thursday, March 21**, for a *Lighter Lent* as a time of creativity and spiritual reflection. Each participant will arrange a beautiful Lenten cross with fresh greenery as a decoration for your home. We will learn some of the origins of our Lenten and Easter traditions and how we might lighten our "to dos" and expectations. Two sessions available: 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Register online at shandonumc.org/register. Childcare will be available for the evening session by registration.

SUMC BOOK CLUB meets on 3rd Thursdays, in Rm. B-221 (5:30-6:30 p.m.). **March 21:** Born a Crime, by Trevor Noah. To be on the mailing list and receive reminders, contact Anne Cox at anne41450@aol.com.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

LENT TO LIFE: Elevate your Lenten journey with insightful “Lent to Life” reflections shared by children in our church community. Discover these reflections posted on Shandon UMC’s Children’s Ministry Facebook page: facebook.com/sumcfriends

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (MYF): A place for our 7th-12th graders to come together to have fun, celebrate each other, and learn more about being a follower of Jesus Christ. We have a **NEW SCHEDULE DURING LENT:** Sundays we will begin in the Game Room at **5:00 p.m.** for a meal and conclude by **7:00 p.m.**

YOUTH CHOIR: We meet on **Sundays from 4:00-4:45 p.m.** in the Choir Room. We will be rehearsing music for “Youth Sunday,” that will take place on March 17 at the 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. services. Rehearsals will be in the Choir Room on the second floor of the Bruner Building. All youth are invited to come and sing!

YOUNG ORGANIST COMPETITION: The public is invited to hear three very talented young organists perform in our Sanctuary on **Saturday, March 9**, from 10 a.m. to noon. The teens will be competing for cash prizes between \$500 and \$2500 offered by the Greater Columbia Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

LENT & EASTER EVENT: Families with children ages infant through 5th grade are invited to join us on **Sunday, March 24**, at 3:00 p.m. in the gym for a Lent and Easter event, which includes a live donkey, cookie decorating, crafts, packing Blessing bags for the homeless, ending with an Easter egg hunt. An adult must accompany children. Advance registration will be required, and we ask that families donate one dozen treat-filled eggs per child participating. Secure your spot at shandonumc.org/register.

Vacation Bible School: June 10-14, 2024

VBS is for children who have completed 3-year preschool (age 3 by 9/1/2023) through those who have completed 2nd grade (current school year 2023-2024)

When: June 10-14, from 8:45 a.m. to 12 noon each day.

Fee: \$30 per child (non-refundable)

Priority registration for Shandon UMC members is March 15- March 31, or until full.

If there are spaces available on April 1, registration will open to the community and will close April 15 or when full.

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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