

Announcements

Food Pantry Needs Your Help: Please bring your non-perishable food items to help replenish the emergency food pantry at The Cooperative Ministry. You may place your donations in the collection bin in the Great Hall in the Bruner Building or in the entrance to the Dunn-Smith Ministry Center.

Power In Changing: The Journey Sunday School class will collect donations of diapers and wipes to benefit "Power in Changing", a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, serving women and families in the Midlands. This organization seeks to empower families and help provide essential supplies. If you would like to donate, there will be a collection station outside Player Hall on Sundays, **2/22 - 3/29**.

Seekers lunch: Young professionals ages 23 to 30 seeking fellowship and community are welcome to gather TODAY, **February 22**, at Taziki's. Rev. Maggie Cantey is partnering with this group and is seeking input. Please contact Rev. Maggie for a conversation or complete the interest form at shandonumc.org/seekers.

Manna Refreshed: Player Hall on Wednesdays from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. **February 25** - Lemon chicken, orzo, roasted mixed vegetables, mixed green salad, fruit, and dessert. The kid's menu for February is chicken and cheese quesadillas, yogurt, and a clementine. The prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Reservations need to be made at shandonumc.org/manna.

Shandon UMC Men's Ministry Wild Game Dinner: Shandon men are invited to a Wild Game Dinner on Thursday, **February 26**, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Longwood Plantation, located off Bluff Rd two miles east of I-77. All are welcome. Registration is \$10 and is required to attend. Sign up at shandonumc.org/events.

Mahjong For Missions: Play with purpose! This fun tournament for players of all levels will be held in our gym on Saturday, **February 28**, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and will benefit our El Salvador Mission Team serving in Ahuachapán. The cost is \$110 per person, with \$100 supporting the mission fund and \$10 covering lunch. Prizes will be awarded to the top three winners, along with door prizes throughout the event. Sign up at shandonumc.org/events.

TREK: Pathway to Membership: Ready to become a member of Shandon UMC? A new session of our pathway to membership course, TREK, begins in March. Learn more about it and register at shandonumc.org/TREK.

Thank You! Our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was a great success! Over 300 people came out to help our 5th grade Sunday School class raise more than \$2,000 for Epworth. Thank you to our 5th graders, their teachers, parents, all eaters of pancakes, and all who made donations! If you missed it but still want to help, donations may be made at shandonumc.org/give - choose "Children's Ministry" from the dropdown list.

Ladies Luncheon "Invest in Our Children": Sunday, **March 1**, at 12:15 p.m. in Player Hall, \$10. Reservations - Contact Jennifer Parker at jpcllemsongirl@gmail.com.

Shandon Sisters - Connections for Young Women: Wednesday, March 11, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Women (ages 25ish - 45ish) are invited to 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 reflection time. Childcare is available at the church for this event. We will meet at the home of Lori Yandle, just a few blocks away from church. Friends are welcome. For more information, contact Anne Marie Crosswell at amacrosswell@gmail.com, Taylor White at tmunnwhite@gmail.com or Ruthie Taylor at (803) 318-7484.

Clothing and Book Sale: The United Women in Faith Clothing and Book Sale will be held Friday, **March 13**, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and Saturday, **March 14**, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donation drop off for clothing and books is Tuesday and Wednesday, **March 10 and 11**, from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please bring clothes on hangers, jewelry in individual bags, and boxes for packing up after the sale. Volunteers are needed all week. All proceeds go to missions. Questions? Contact Jennifer Parker, (770) 301-6376, jpcllemsongirl@gmail.com, or Bobbie Moore, (803) 728-7255 bobbiamoore0529@gmail.com. To donate volunteer lunches, contact Carolyn Hall, (803) 422-0951, mchajcek@gmail.com. **Drive through drop off will be held on Adger Street this year.**

Easter Lilies: Honor or remember a loved one by sponsoring an Easter lily for our worship spaces. Each plant is \$17. You may also make a donation to the Landscaping Fund. The deadline to order is Sunday, **March 15**. Order online at shandonumc.org/lily.

Greening Our Faith: Lent is a time of reflection and penitence. Visual reminders of the season help us to stay faithful to those purposes. Join us in Wesley Hall on Wednesday, **March 18**, 6:00-7:00 p.m. (childcare provided), or Thursday, **March 19**, 10:30-11:30 a.m. We will create two items: a wreath and a cross, both made from dried boxwood branches. Friends are welcome. Space is limited. The fee is \$30. Register at shandonumc.org/events

Children & Students

Trackers: All 3rd–5th grade boys are invited to join us for Trackers. This small group Bible study is specifically designed for boys who enjoy engaging and lively games. The group meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. in the 5th-grade classroom (DuBose Rm. 202). For more information, reach out to Cari, ctreece@shandonumc.org.

Bible Presentation Sunday: Sunday, **March 1**, for our current 3-Year-Old Preschool Sunday School class during the 11:00 a.m. Traditional and Lifeline services. Register your child at shandonumc.org/events.

Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF): February 22: What are followers of Jesus called to do that could impact our world? Let's talk about service, justice, and faith. Invite a friend and join us from 5:00–7:00 p.m. in the Youth Zone Game Room for MYF, featuring fellowship, games, food, and Bible study.

Lenten Prayer Breakfast: Lent can be a powerful season for followers of Jesus as we meditate and fast in preparation for Easter. To encourage students in their faith, we will host weekly Prayer Breakfasts in the Youth Zone Game Room from 6:50 a.m. to 7:20 a.m. Middle and high school students will meet on Thursdays, **February 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2**. We will gather for fellowship, Bible reading, and prayer. We will also provide food for parents and a separate area for you to catch up on emails or connect with other parents.



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