# SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

#### TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 11, 2024

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Morning Has Broken

Diane Bish

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 327

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Diademata

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain.

(Psalm 119:33-36)

\*GLORIA PATRINO 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.) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (Hymnal, pg. 39)

**McKenzie Islah Viohl**, daughter of Charles and Melinda Viohl, and sister of Jackson and Briggs, was born on July 11, 2022.

(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.

#### \*THE LITANY FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY

#### Leader:

In addition to Promotion Sunday for our children and youth, today is Christian Education Sunday at Shandon. We celebrate the opportunities God offers us through this congregation's worship, study, and service to grow in Christian faith and discipleship as we seek to know God.

We affirm those who are involved as teachers and leaders in the Christian education of our children, youth, and adults at Shandon. These persons serve in many ways to help foster and nurture Christian faith and discipleship in our congregation. We appreciate their investment of time and effort to study in preparation to teach and their commitment to guiding us in response to Christ's call in Matthew 28:19, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations..."

### Congregation:

We pledge to pray for our teachers and leaders and this congregation's educational ministry.

We pledge to enable, encourage, and support our teachers and leaders in this ministry through our words and attendance.

We pledge to be learners, diligently studying the Scriptures and traditions of the faith.

We thank our teachers and leaders for your faithful leadership and response to Christ's call, recognizing that we all need instruction and guidance as we grow in Him.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds

by the power of your Holy Spirit,

that, as the scriptures are read and your word proclaimed,

We may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Samuel 18:4-14,21,31-33

Pew Bible, O.T. pg. 279-280

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Cari Treece

#### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Today, we have before us backpacks to be carried to and from school by the children and youth gathered here.

These backpacks will contain work to be done, books to be studied, and tools to complete homework. Some days, so many things will fill these backpacks that students may find it challenging to carry them. As we encourage these students to grow in their knowledge of our world, we ask God to hold them in the palm of His hand – protecting them, strengthening them, and surrounding them with people to teach, guide, and nurture them.

Gracious God, we lift up to you today, these students. They stand here ready to receive your blessings and commit themselves to studying and learning in the school year ahead. We ask for your blessing on each of them.

Further, we ask for your blessing on these backpacks. They will hold the schoolwork of each student and will be carried from home to school and back again. As these students carry these backpacks, may they be reminded of the love and care of this congregation. We ask for your blessing on each of them.

We pray as well for the teachers and administrators in our schools. May they also be protected, strengthened, and guided by your presence. May they be reminded that this congregation embraces their call to teaching and learning and surrounds them with love and care. We ask for your blessing on each of them. Amen.

SERMON "Teach Your Children Well" Rev. James Grubb

(8:45 a.m.) \*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church.

the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. 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.) O Jesus, I Have Promised

Carolyn Hamlin

(11:00 a.m.) O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

arr. Hap Hopson

Summer Choir

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great redeemer's praise,

the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious master and my God, assist me to proclaim,

to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;

'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of canceled sin and sets the prisoner free;

his blood can make the sinful clean; his blood availed for me.

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,

the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

\*HYMN 395 Take Time to Be Holy

Holiness

#### \*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Irish Blessing

John Horman

May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be ever at your back.

May the sun shine upon your face and rains fall softly on your fields.

May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be ever at your back.

Until we meet again may God always hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY "Wonderful Words of Life"

Wilbur Held

\*Congregation standing

The flowers at the altar are given in loving memory of Betty Livingston Bruner by her nieces and nephews.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

During worship today, we will offer a special blessing to all students for the upcoming school year. Children and students of all ages are invited to take a backpack tag as a reminder of Shandon's support and prayers. Backpack tags are available at the entrances to the sanctuary and gym.

### **PROMOTION SUNDAY**

Today our children and youth will be promoted to their new age-level Sunday School classes and meet their new teachers for the 2024-25 school year. There is a class for each grade level. Sunday School is from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

#### **Class Locations:**

Infants, Toddlers, Two-year-old, and Three-year-olds: 1st floor Knox Building

4s, and 5K Students: 1st floor DuBose Building 1st-6th Grades: 2nd floor DuBose Building

7th-12th Grades: Youth Zone 2nd floor Dunn-Smith Building

Adults: Bruner Building and 2nd floor Knox Building

## TREK NEW MEMBER CLASS

TREK is Shandon UMC's pathway to membership. Our next course is set to begin on September 15 from 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. It is designed to help you connect with our ministers and staff, our ministeries, and one another. Register online at <a href="mailto:shandonumc.org/trek">shandonumc.org/trek</a>.

## **GARAGE SALE**

Many thanks to ALL who made our garage sale a huge success!

### **COFFEE IN THE COURTYARD**

The church will be hosting another Coffee in the Courtyard event, on **Sunday, August 18**, with coffee, juice, and biscuits in the courtyard outside the gym building from **9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.** Plan to take a few moments to stop by, meet a few new folks and enjoy some food and fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH CHILDREN AND STUDENT MINISTRIES:** Your participation matters! We need adult volunteers to help lead our children's (infants to 6th grade) and student (7th-12th graders) programs, making these times meaningful and enjoyable. Engaging with our children every Sunday from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. can be rewarding for both adults and children. We also need volunteers for Sunday School, MYF, and event chaperones for our youth. Contact Cari Treece at <a href="mailto:ctreece@shandonumc.org">ctreece@shandonumc.org</a> for children's programs and Andy Morris at <a href="mailto:amorris@shandonumc.org">amorris@shandonumc.org</a> for youth programs. Join us and make a difference!

THE ST. NICHOLAS AND CHERUB CHOIRS will begin Wednesday rehearsals on September 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the DuBose Building. Julia Turner and Donna Salais will lead our Cherub Choir, and Amy Martin and Eddie Huss will lead the St. Nicholas Choir. We are grateful for their leadership in our music ministry. Parents may register their chorister on the first rehearsal night, September 11.

**BIBLE PRESENTATION FOR 3RD GRADERS:** Our congregation will present Bibles to our 3rd-grade students on **Sunday, September 22**, at the 11:00 a.m. Traditional and the 11:05 a.m. Lifeline services. If you have a child entering 3rd grade this fall, please complete the registration so we may prepare a Bible for them. Register your child online at **shandonumc.org/register**.

**SAVE A LIFE—DONATE BLOOD:** The Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on **Sunday, August 25, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** in Player Hall. Sponsored by Health and Wellness, the blood drive needs you! Please plan to donate blood to help many in need. Reserve an appointment to give blood at **shandonumc.org/redcross**.

WARM MEALS, LASTING IMPACT: We are honored to support the Dreher High School Football Team by serving meals again this year. Volunteers are needed to serve meals from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on August 23, 30, September 6, 20, 26, and October 4, 11, 18, and 25. Join us in encouraging and uplifting these student athletes! Sign up at <a href="mailto:shandonumc.org/register">shandonumc.org/register</a>.

**SHARE YOUR GIFTS** by filling out our Ministry Involvement Questionnaire. The MIQ helps us connect you to areas in which you'd like to serve — and it only takes a minute! Visit **shandonumc.org/miq**.

**FALL DOORWAYS ADULT BIBLE STUDIES:** Connect with a community and deepen your faith through our Fall Doorways classes starting the week of September 8. With 12 diverse offerings, including a weekly Zoom prayer group, a men's group on the art of trusting God in difficult times, the comprehensive *Disciple I* class, and a no-homework class for women eager to grow in their walk with Jesus, there's a class for everyone. For registration and class information, visit **shandonumc.org/doorways**.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST: Our August Prayer Breakfast will be held on Thursday, August 15, from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. in Player Hall. As usual, breakfast will be provided along with an inspiring message. Please plan to attend and have your spirit fed. Don't forget to bring a friend or two!

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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