

# SHANDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 24, 2025

8:45 AND 11:00 A.M.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING VOLUNTARY

O Worship the King

J. Michael Haydn

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT

Jeff Manning

EXCHANGE OF PEACE AND GOOD WILL

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 89 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Hymn to Joy*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

But this I call to mind,  
and therefore I have hope:

**The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.**

“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,  
“therefore I will hope in him.”

**The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.**

**It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.**

*(from Lamentations 3)*

\* GLORIA PATRI NO. 71

*Greatorex*

**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)

**Mary Gates Wade**, daughter of Ben and Caroline Wade, and sister of Graham,  
was born on March 18, 2025.

(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

**O Lord our God,  
your word is a lamp unto our feet and a light upon our path.  
Open our minds and hearts this day to know your truth.  
Strengthen us to follow the path you have set before us,  
so that we may shine as a light for others. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 12:49-56

Pew Bible, N.T. pg. 71

(8:45 A.M.) CHILDREN’S SERMON

Cari Treece

SERMON

“Decisions and Divisions”

Rev. C.E. “Smoke” Kanipe

\* HYMN 261

Lord of the Dance

*Shaker Tune*

(8:45 A.M.) \* A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

**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: [shandonumc.org/give](https://shandonumc.org/give)

To give by text: Text SUMC to 73256

(8:45 A.M.) OFFERTORY

I Am Not Worthy

Beatrice Bush Bixler

*Caroline Hethcox, soprano*

*I am not worthy the least of His favor,  
but Jesus left heaven for me;  
The Word became flesh and He died as my Savior,  
forsaken on dark Calvary.  
I am not worthy! This dull tongue repeats it;  
I am not worthy! This heart gladly beats it.  
Jesus left heaven to die in my place,  
what mercy, what love, and what grace!  
I am not worthy the least of His favor,  
but in thee beloved I stand;  
now I'm an heir with my wonderful Savior,  
and all things are mine at His hand.  
I am not worthy the least of his favor,  
but He is preparing a place,  
where I shall dwell with my glorified Savior,  
forever to look on his face.*

(11:00 A.M.) OFFERTORY

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

arr. Henry Pfohl

*The Chancel Choir*

*Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!  
His kingdom cannot fail; He rules over earth and heaven;  
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given.  
Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!  
He all His foes shall quell, shall all our sins destroy,  
and everyone filled with pure seraphic joy.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice!  
Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!*

\* DOXOLOGY NO. 94

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\* HYMN 397

I Need Thee Every Hour

*Need*

\* BENEDICTION

\* (11:00 A.M.) CHORAL RESPONSE      The Lord Bless You and Keep You      Peter Lutkin

*The Lord bless you and keep you,  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace,  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. Amen.*

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY      Voluntary on “Thaxted”      Gustav Holst

\* Congregation standing

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bud Foy for the  
years we shared together, by Linda Foy.*

### **THIRD GRADERS RECEIVING BIBLES**

Each year, our congregation presents Bibles to students in the Third Grade Sunday School class.

This year’s recipients are:

Alaina Joy Allen	Currie English Folsom	Albert Holloway Manning
Collins Margaret Atkinson	William Roscoe Folsom	Coleman Ryan Principe
Michael Wesley Boozer Jr.	Emerson Lynn Harding	Joshua Clarke Rhodes, Jr.
Wrigley Thomas Buscher	Harriet Lucille Harman	Charlotte Wright Stuckey
Melanie Ann Caudell	Blakely Lavender Hudson	Gregory Alan Terrill III
Pearson William Donley	Henry Ryan Justice	Briggs Davis Viohl
Anna Kathryn Flowers	Ella Murray Kirkpatrick	Samuel Lide Wheeler Jr.
	Landon Olivia Littlejohn	

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SHARE YOUR GIFTS - TAKE THE MIQ:** Our Ministry Involvement Questionnaire (MIQ) is a quick way to share your gifts and interests with the Shandon family. Just as we commit to nurturing your spiritual growth, we want to help you find your place to serve. Take a moment to prayerfully complete the MIQ at [shandonumc.org/MIQ](http://shandonumc.org/MIQ). Your response helps us plan ministry with you in mind.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** The Shandon Blood Drive is **TODAY, August 24**, in Player Hall, 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be taken first. Teens 16-18 can donate with parental permission. Please go to [shandonumc.org/redcross](http://shandonumc.org/redcross) to sign up.

**SEEKERS LUNCH:** Young professionals ages 23 to 30 seeking fellowship and community are welcome to join the Seekers group for lunch at Taziki's following the 11:00 a.m. worship service **TODAY, August 24**. Please contact Rev. Maggie with questions or to be added to the group email list.

**METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (MYF): TONIGHT, August 24** from 5:00-7:00 p.m. We will return to our regular schedule and split into high school and middle school groups during MYF, as we continue our study of the Book of 2 Timothy. Dinner, snacks, and drinks provided. Bring a friend to the fun and fellowship!

**MEET YOUR FRIENDS AT THE BALLPARK:** All young professionals, ages 22-30, are invited to join the Seekers at a Fireflies baseball game on Thursday, **August 28**, at 7:05 p.m. Tickets are \$11, and we will meet at Segra Park (1640 Freed Street). Bring a friend, and we hope to see you there! Sign up at [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events).

**YOUTH USHER SUNDAY:** On Sunday, **August 31**, at our 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. traditional worship services, our middle and high school students will serve as ushers. In this role, they will distribute bulletins before the service and assist in collecting the offering. We need at least eight students for each service. Please email Andy at [amorris@shandonumc.org](mailto:amorris@shandonumc.org) to let us know at which service your student will serve.

**SHARE YOUR SHANDON STORY:** The Stewardship Committee is conducting a one-question anonymous survey to better help us serve you. We would appreciate your participation! Please let us know "How have you been most impacted by Shandon?" by filling out the form at: [shandonumc.org/stories](http://shandonumc.org/stories).

**POPCORN AND A MOVIE:** Parents can drop off children in four-year-preschool through fifth grade in Player Hall during the Sunday School hour on **August 31** to enjoy a fun movie and a snack with their friends.

**MYF AT THE FIREFLIES:** Students and their friends are invited to join us at Segra Park on **August 31** to watch the Fireflies play the Hickory Crawdads. Registration payment covers ticket plus a Fireflies hat. If students want food or drink, they should plan to bring money with them to the park. The game will be over by 8:00 p.m. Parents should pick their students up by the front gate. Space is limited - sign up today at [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events).

**CHRISMON WORKSHOP:** Join us at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, **September 7**, for the third of four quarterly Chrismon workshops, when we will create one new Chrismon and help you finish your Chrismons from earlier sessions. If you have not attended previous sessions, we will have materials to complete two Chrismons from our earlier works. All materials are provided. Sign up at [shandonumc.org/events](http://shandonumc.org/events).

**CUB SCOUT ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** Do you like camping? Hiking? Games and adventure? Then Cub Scouts might be the perfect place for you. Join us on Sunday, **September 7**, at 4:30 p.m. for an ice cream social and LEGO derby. An informational meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. in Player Hall, following the ice cream social. All children in 5K-5th grade and their parents are welcome. For more information, please contact Dylan Goff at [dylan@gofflawgroup.com](mailto:dylan@gofflawgroup.com) or 803-216-1008.

**PARENT ORIENTATION FOR SIXTH GRADE CONFIRMATION:** Parents of sixth graders are invited to join us on Sunday, **September 7**, from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. in the Bruner Building, Room 220, for a parent orientation for Sixth Grade Confirmation. Each year (February-April), our church guides sixth graders through reflecting on their faith while learning more about a life of Christian discipleship and the history and traditions of the United Methodist Church. This process culminates in April as students are invited to consider joining the church through their profession of faith in worship. At this orientation for parents, we will review the content and schedule of the Confirmation preparation classes and share ways parents may invest in the process with the group.

**TREK TO MEMBERSHIP:** Are you ready to become a member of Shandon UMC? The next TREK Course, Shandon's pathway to membership, begins on **September 14**. The course will meet on September 14, 21 & 24. Childcare is available. Go to [shandonumc.org/trek](http://shandonumc.org/trek) to learn more and sign up today.

## FALL DOORWAYS STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Looking for connection with others? This fall, Shandon will offer 18 Bible studies across a wide variety of topics and formats. Most classes begin the week of September 7. Childcare is available for Wednesday and Sunday classes. View class details and register at [shandonumc.org/doorways](http://shandonumc.org/doorways).

- Behind the Scenes of the New Testament
- Changes That Heal
- Disciple I
- Faithful Families - Creating Sacred Moments at Home
- Friday Fun for Women
- GriefShare
- GriefShare - Surviving the Holidays
- Iron Sharpens Iron - Mere Christianity
- Jesus' Parables About Making Choices
- Living Well
- Monday Men's Group - Mere Christianity
- Prayer Group
- The Beatitudes
- The Chosen
- The Christmas Letters: Celebrating Advent with Those Who Told the Story First
- Treasured - An Experience for Moms and Tween Daughters
- Trusting God When Life Hurts
- Turning Your Heart Toward God

Please contact Ruthie Taylor at (803) 318-7484 or [rtaylor@shandonumc.org](mailto:rtaylor@shandonumc.org) with questions.

*Shandon UMC is a Stephen Ministry and Safe Sanctuary Congregation*

Senior Pastor: The Reverend C. E. Kanipe, Jr.

Associate Pastor: The Reverend James Grubb

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