

April 10, 2022 • 10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday



Welcome to Shandon Presbyterian Church

Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member . . .

Whether you are familiar with our traditions or still find it all a bit strange . . .

Whether you grew up Presbyterian or Baptist or Jewish or agnostic . . .

Whether you are in search of comfort or wanting to be challenged . . .

Whatever reason brought you to worship today, you are welcome here. We take seriously Jesus' instructions to love God, love one another, and love our neighbors. We don't all look alike, act alike, or think alike. We don't all read the Bible the same way. We bring different questons and carry different burdens. But every Sunday, we worship together as one unified community.

Our worship style is traditional and true to our Reformed heritage. At the same time, we seek to bring our faith into conversation with the world around us and the events of our lives. We sing with joy and we pray with honesty.

Hospitality is important and friendship is holy. That's why we gather for fellowship, cookies, and lemonade outside after worship. Please join us. We think you'll find us to be a warm, approachable group of people trying our best to live like Jesus teaches. If you're looking for a perfect church, we aren't it. We're real people, and we do the very best we can, but we don't always get it right. We understand how much we all need grace in our lives. And we believe that God's love, which never gives up and never lets go, is for everyone. Including you.

There is a place for you here. Welcome home.

Rev. Jenny McDevitt Senior Pastor

Welcoming Children

Children are always welcome in worship! Families are welcome to sit anywhere in the Sanctuary, though little ones are often more engaged when they are able to see everything going on. We understand that children come fully equipped with wiggles, giggles, questions and noises. Your child's presence among us is a gift. We include a time especially for children as part of each worship service. Child care is available in Room 107 for kindergarten-aged children and younger, if that is your preference. For more information about children's and family ministries, please contact Jackson Ringley at jringley@shandonpresbyterian.org.

Current Covid-19 Protocols

At Shandon Presbyterian Church, your health and safety is extremely important to us. So, too, is the health and safety of our community. Following CDC recommendations, **masks are optional** at Shandon Presbyterian Church. Food and drink are permitted indoors. Some activities will continue outside, especially before summer weather sets in. Anyone who wishes to remain masked is encouraged to do so. Thank you for recognizing that anyone who remains masked has any number of good reasons for doing so, and being respectful of that. Our paid staff are fully vaccinated. We encourage vaccination for all who are eligible.

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Matthew McCall Valet will Ich dir Geben

J. S. BACH

Welcome

Rev. Jenny McDevitt

* Call to Worship

The crowds that went ahead of him and the crowds that followed him were shouting:

"Hosanna! Hosanna!"

Some shouted,

"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" And others shouted,

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

But some others said to him,

"Teacher, order your disciples to stop."

In response, Jesus said,

"I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."
"Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

* Processional Hymn 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

Call to Confession

Rev. John Cook

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, forgive us.

We do not fully know this Jesus

who upends how we view the world.

We do not fully know this Jesus

who challenges how we understand ourselves.

We do not fully know this Jesus

who destroys how we are subject to death.

Rejoice with us when we shout, "Hosanna!"

Forgive us when we shout, "Crucify!" (Silent prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace

Anthem

Johnnie Felder Ride On, King Jesus!

ARR. JOHN CARTER

Passing of the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Proclaiming the Word

Anthem

Arise and Shine Choirs MATTHEW MCCALL, DIR. MIKE HUGHES, ACCOMP.

Blessed Is He

Blessed is he, who comes in the name of the Lord; Blessed is he, hosanna in the highest!

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory; hosanna in the highest!

The Word with Children

Prayer for Illumination Bill Sargent

Scripture Lesson

Luke 19:28-40

When Jesus had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Jenny McDevitt A Different Kind of Lent: Untying

Responding to the Word

* Hymn 209

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

Reception of New Members

Ruth Bollinger, Mary Ann Brearley, P. Ann Byrd, Douglas Carlisle, Rory Carlisle, Michael Hallanan, Nancy Hallanan, and Jada Willis

Prayers of the People Jackson Ringley

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

You may also give by texting SHANDONPC to 73256 or visiting our website, shandonpresbyterian.org.

Anthem

Chancel Choir My Eternal King
DR. JABARIE GLASS, DIR. JANE MARSHALL

My God, I love thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby, nor yet because those who love thee not must die eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me upon the cross embrace; for me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace.

Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love thee well? Not for the hope of winning heaven, or of escaping hell; not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward; but as thyself has loved me, O ever-loving Lord!

Even so I love thee, and will love, and in thy praise will sing: Solely because thou art my God and my eternal King.

* Response

For the Life That You Have Given

IN BABILONE

For the life that you have given,
for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor,
with the gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises;
heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you,
living what we pray and sing.

^{*} Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn 215

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

Congregational Meeting

- * Benediction
- * Postlude

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna ARR. ALBERT TRAVIS

Worship Notes

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY are Matthew McCall, Mayzie Winburg (acolyte), Rev. Jenny McDevitt, Rev. John Cook, Arise and Shine Choirs, Mike Hughes, Bill Sargent, Jackson Ringley, and the Chancel Choir under the direction of Dr. Jabarie Glass.

TODAY'S LITURGY — The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession were written by Rev. Jenny McDevitt.

THE ROSEBUD on the table today is in celebration of the birth of Silas Nathaniel Fields, son of Caitlin and Kevin Fields, born March 21.

AFTER WORSHIP TODAY — Join us outside for cookies, coffee and other refreshments. A deacon will be present in the Sower's Chapel (near the baptismal font) to receive prayer concerns or pastoral updates.

Announcements

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — Session has called a Congregational Meeting to be held immediately following the 10:30 am worship service today, April 10, for the purpose of electing an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. The slate of nominees is available from an usher upon request.

HOLY WEEK OPPORTUNITIES — Join us for special services and opportunities during Holy Week.

- **Maundy Thursday dinner** at 6 pm on April 14. Register for dinner online at bit.ly/maundythursdaydinnerSPC or by calling the church office.
- **Maundy Thursday worship** in the Sanctuary at 7 pm on April 14.
- Self-guided **Stations of the Cross** on the church lawn from 8 am to 7 pm on April 15.
- **Good Friday Tenebrae** service in the Sanctuary at 7 pm on April 15.

EASTER SUNDAY — Celebrate the Resurrection with us on Easter Sunday, April 17.

- Outdoor Worship at 9 am on the church lawn
- Worship at 11 am in the Sanctuary
- Potluck Brunch and Fellowship in the Activities Center between services

YOUTH SUNDAY — Shandon Presbyterian Youth are excited to share their gifts during worship on April 24. Youth will provide music and lead liturgy. Senior Sermons will be delivered by Addie-Grace Cook, Alexander Duell, Daniel Grubb, and Joe Hicks.

MONTREAT WORSHIP AND MUSIC CONFERENCE — Anyone intrested in attending and participating in the annual worship and music conference at Montreat Conference Center should contact Matt McCall at mmccall@ shandonpresbyterian.org. We will be attending Week 1, June 19-24. More information and registration links are available online at bit.ly/shandon-montreat-worship. Registration deadline is April 30.

CELEBRATE JOHN MAYNARD'S MINISTRY — After nearly seven years serving as the Director of Handbells, John Maynard will conclude this portion of his ministry on May 31. John ensured that Shandon's handbell ministry, the Tintinnabulators, continued after the departure of Bill and Ann McNair. He elevated the ministry to an even higher level, as he composed pieces specifically for Shandon's ringers. Worship has been blessed by his presence and leadership. Beginning in June, handbells will be directed by Matt McCall, as begins his full-time position of Director of Music & Media. Fortunately, John will continue ringing with the Tintinnabulators, and John and his family, all active members of Shandon, will be just as regular a presence in our community as ever. The Tintinnabulators will ring in worship under John's direction for the final time on May 1, and a reception will follow after worship. Plan to join us as we thank John for making Shandon a more musical place!

TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON — This exhibit in Shandon's Atrium Gallery includes multidimensional works that explore life, death and grief through the passage of time by artist and Shandon member Judy Hubbard. Judy's works are complemented by images curated by Church Administrator Robert Walker reflecting on the stages of grief. The exhibit is open through April 13.

FILM SCREENING — The Peacemaking Committee has rescheduled the screening of *Trigger: The Ripple Effect of Gun Violence* for 7 pm Monday, April 25, at The Nickelodeon Theatre. The community is invited to attend the film and panel discussion facilitated by Rev. Jenny McDevitt. Admission is free, but reservations are required. Go to bit.ly/triggertickets, or call the church office at 803-771-4408. More information is online at: bit.ly/trigginfo.

UKRAINE RELIEF — Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is providing financial support to Ukraine's neighboring countries who are receiving floods of refugees. To contribute to that effort, please indicate "PDA - UKRAINE" on your check or envelope. You may also contribute online at bit.ly/pdaukraine.

APRIL BACKPACK FOOD DONATIONS — This month, we are collecting applesauce. Six-packs of ndividually portioned servings are preferred. Please drop off donations in the designated box.



Upcoming Worship

A DIFFERENT KIND OF LENT

Shandon Presbyterian Church

Everything feels different this year. Maybe Lent should be different, too.

What if we paved our Lenten road with gentleness and grace?

What sort of resurrection might we be ready to receive if we spend this season making space to breathe?

-	3.6.2022 RESISTING	3.13.2022 TRUSTING	3.20.2022 RESTING	3.27.2022 RECON- SIDERING	4.3.2022 ANOINTING	4.10.2022 UNTYING	4.14.2022 FEASTING	4.15.2022 YIELDING
							MAUNDY THURSDAY 7 PM	GOOD FRIDAY 7 PM

Easter Worship

9 a.m. Outdoor Worship 10 a.m. Potluck Brunch and Fellowship 11 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Worship Archives

Miss a service? Want to hear a prayer a second time or read a sermon text?

Our worship archives include weekly bulletins, links to livestream recordings, and PDFs of sermon manuscripts (as available).

Visit shandonpresbyterian.org, then select Worship and Music.

Sermons are also available as a podcast on SoundCloud and Apple Podcasts.

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