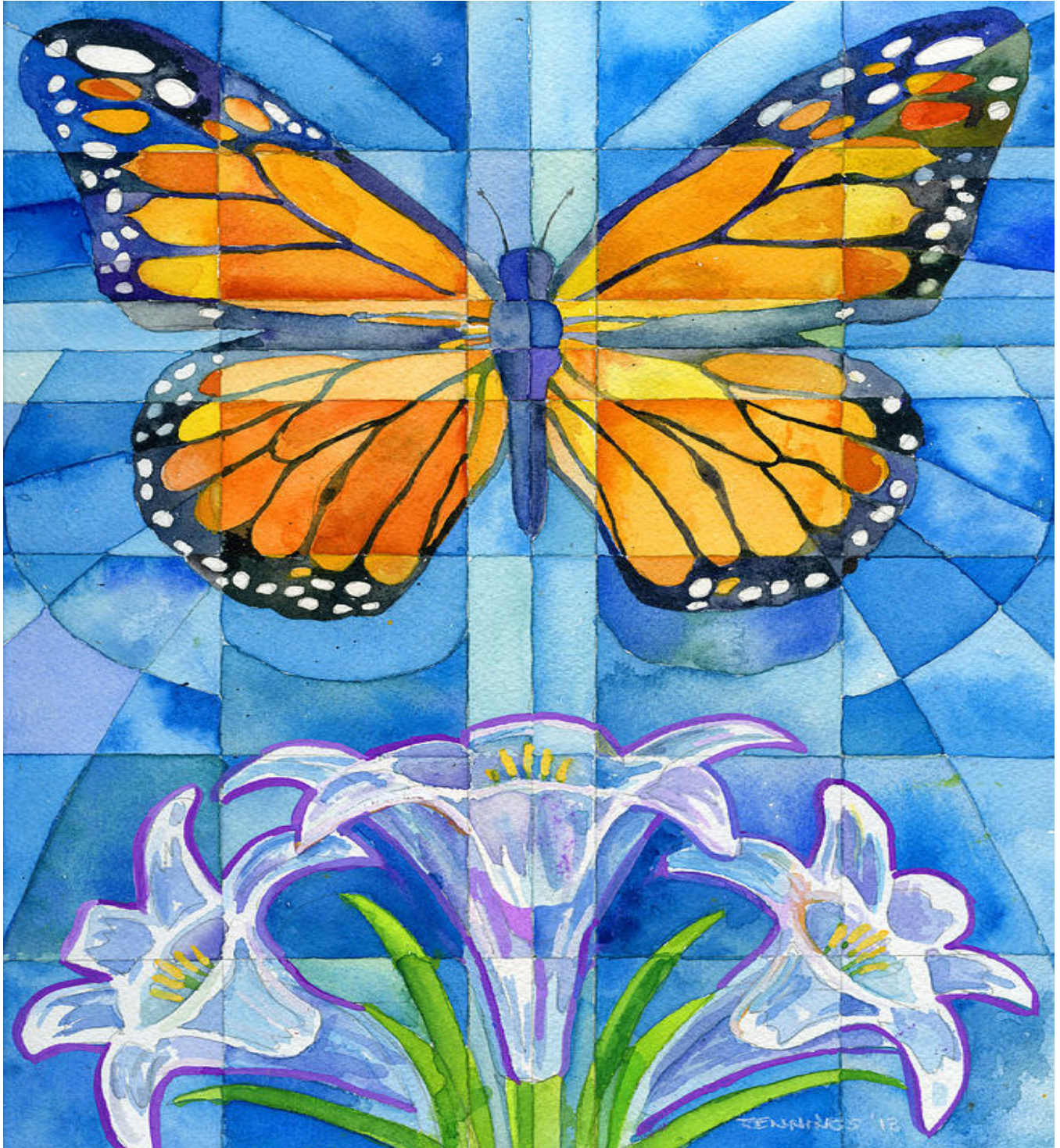




Shandon Presbyterian Church  
607 Woodrow Street • Columbia, South Carolina • 29205

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Resurrection by Mark Jennings

## 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 questions 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](mailto: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*

Elegy

GEORGE THALBEN-BALL

Welcome

*Rev. John Cook*

*Please sign the friendship folder located along the inside aisle of each pew and pass it to those seated near you.*

Introit

*Arise and Shine Choirs*

Alleluia

JERRY SINCLAIR

\* Call to Worship

We gather in the presence of God,  
**where grieving people and children  
with skinned knees have their tears wiped away.**

We gather with the people of God,  
**who worship the One who provides  
what we need, not just what we want.**

We gather around the font and table of God,  
**where God feeds us with grace and wonder  
where God pours living, renewing waters upon us.**

\* Hymn 268

**Crown Him with Many Crowns**

DIADEMATA

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts,  
when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world,  
forgive us and help us find our voice.**

**When we are afraid to forgive and love again,  
forgive us and give us the power to forgive.**

**When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority,  
join with the weak to make us all strong.**

**When we are confined by our hurts,  
touch us with your wounded hands to set us free.**

**When we are locked behind our doubts and fears,  
pass through our barricades, open our hearts,  
and give us peace. (Silent prayer)**

Assurance of God's Grace

Friends believe the good news of the gospel:  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

Response

### **Christ Is Alive!**

TRURO

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing!  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

Passing of the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!  
**And also with you!**

Minute for Mission

*Rev. Dr. Franklin Fant*

## **Proclaiming the Word**

The Word with Children

Prayer for Illumination

*Connie Schulz*

Scripture Lesson

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

Meditation

*Rev. John Cook*

What Resurrection Means to Me

## **Responding to the Word**

\* Hymn 361

### **O Christ, the Great Foundation**

AURELIA

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Rev. Jenny McDevitt*

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.**

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Offering

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

Anthem

*Chancel Choir*

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth  
TOM TRENNEY

Mothering God, you gave me birth  
in the bright morning of this world.  
Creator, source of every breath,  
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.

Mothering Christ, you took my form,  
offering me your food of light,  
grain of life and grape of love,  
your very body for my peace.

Mothering Spirit, nurturing one,  
in arms of patience hold me close.  
So that in faith I root and grow,  
until I flower, until I know.

\* Response

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, above you heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\* Prayer of Dedication

\* Hymn 485

## **We Know that Christ Is Raised**

ENGLEBERG

\* Benediction

\* Postlude

*Matthew McCall*

Earth and Stars

ARR. KURT KOLANDER

## **Worship Notes**

**TODAY'S LITURGY** — The Call to Worship comes from Thom M. Shuman's *Bearers of Grace and Justice*. Today's Confession and Prayer of Illumination were written by Kim Long and come from *Feasting on the Word*.

**LEADING WORSHIP TODAY** are Matthew McCall, Rev. John Cook, Arise and Shine Choirs, Rev. Jenny McDevitt, and the Chancel Choir, under the direction of Dr. Jabarie Glass.

**AFTER WORSHIP** — Join us outside for cookies and other refreshments. A deacon will be present in the Sower's Chapel to receive prayer concerns or pastoral updates.

## **Announcements**

**MOTHERS' DAY OFFERING** — Since 1954, Presbyterian churches in South Carolina have marked Mothers' Day with an offering to support the ministry of Presbyterian Communities of South Carolina. Today during worship, PCSC CEO Franklin Fant, who is also a child of this congregation, will offer a Minute for Mission. In addition to contributing to the special offering in worship, you can also give online at [bit.ly/SPCmothersday](https://bit.ly/SPCmothersday).

**SHANDON ON WEDNESDAYS** — Join us on Wednesday, May 11 at 5:15 for a pizza dinner and fellowship. Dr. Alicia Walker will present a program taking a deeper look at *Requiem Gravare*, which premiered at Shandon in March of this year. She will also discuss the upcoming choir tour to England. Register for dinner at <https://bit.ly/MaySOW>

**CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC** — After worship on May 22, join us on the church lawn for a potluck picnic celebrating the end of the Sunday School year. We will honor our Sunday School teachers, so all current Sunday School teachers should plan to attend. In addition to good food and fellowship, the Dick Goodwin Jazz band will gladden our hearts as the final event of the Arts at Shandon season.

**GRADUATING SENIORS** — Is your high school or college student graduating this year? Help us celebrate this milestone with you! Complete the graduation survey at [bit.ly/SPCgraduation22](https://bit.ly/SPCgraduation22). Please complete the survey by May 15. High school seniors will be recognized in worship on May 22. All graduating seniors will be featured in the June edition of "The Spire."

**REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT MINISTRY** — Our church is responding to the world's refugee crisis by forming a refugee resettlement team, a Shandon Circle of Welcome. Through Lutheran Services of the Carolinas we will host a refugee family for 6-12 months, starting over the summer. Until our family arrives, we have ways right now here in Columbia you can help Afghan and Ukrainian families. Help our church meet the world's great need by joining Shandon's Circle of Welcome. Contact Associate Pastor John Cook at [jcook@shandonpresbyterian.org](mailto:jcook@shandonpresbyterian.org) for more information.

**YOUNG ADULTS FIREFLIES GAME** — Young Adults, add Sunday, May 22, to your calendars. We're buying tickets as a group and going to the Columbia Fireflies game at Segra Park. The game starts at 5:05 pm. If this date doesn't work for you, don't worry — we're adding more events to the calendar soon. Register online at [bit.ly/ShandonFireflies](https://bit.ly/ShandonFireflies).

**CHANCEL CHOIR SCHEDULE** — The Chancel Choir will continue to meet on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm on May 11, 18, and 25. After that, rehearsals will shift to 9:45 on Sunday mornings for the summer. Anyone who would like to sing with the Chancel Choir during the summer is welcome and encouraged to join us each Sunday morning to prepare and lead music for worship.

**ARISE AND SHINE CHOIRS SCHEDULE** — The Arise and Shine Choirs for children will meet at 6 pm on Wednesdays May 11 and 18 for musical fun and games. All children are welcome and encouraged to enjoy this time making music and simply having fun. After May 18, Arise and Shine choirs will break for the summer.

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

**MAY BACKPACK FOOD DONATIONS** — This month, we are collecting mac-and-cheese and shelf-stable milk. Please drop off donations in the designated box or go to [bit.ly/spcmaybackpack](https://bit.ly/spcmaybackpack) for more information about donating online.

## Shandon Weekday School Offering full and part-day summer camps designed for busy parents and active kids.

Whether you're looking for a 10-week program or a one week mini-camp, we've got you covered. Our experienced and caring staff do the planning so you can have a hassle-free summer that your kids will enjoy and remember forever.

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**[shandonweekdayschool.net](https://shandonweekdayschool.net)**



Spring Worship Series

# For the Beauty of the Earth:

## A Theology of Creation Care



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May 15 through June 5

10:30 am | in person & online | [shandonpresbyterian.org](http://shandonpresbyterian.org)

### 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](http://shandonpresbyterian.org), then select Worship and Music. Sermons are also available as a podcast on SoundCloud and Apple Podcasts.

### The Staff of Shandon Presbyterian Church

Rev. Jenny McDevitt, Senior Pastor & Head of Staff

Rev. John Cook, Associate Pastor for Discipleship

Jackson Ringley, Educational Ministries Assistant

Matthew McCall, Director of Music and Organist

Dr. Jabarie Glass, Chancel Choir Director

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