

13th century mosaic by San Clemente

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

Building Hospitality

Our building is a wonderful resource. It can also feel like a labyrinth when you are learning your way around. A few key locations that may be helpful to you:

Accessible restrooms — located behind the Sanctuary; use the southwest door (to the left of the Chancel) **All gender restrooms** — located beneath the Sanctuary; use the stairs from the Narthex (main entrance)

Elevator — located just beyond the southwest door (to the left of the Chancel)

Nursery & extended care — located on the first floor of the Education Building; use the southwest door and the elevator, following directional signs

Hearing-assist devices — located at the southwest door, or ask an usher to provide you with one Ushers are always willing to assist you in finding your way or answering other questions.

Welcoming Children

Just as Jesus welcomes the little children to come, so we welcome children of all ages in our worship services. We are better when all members of our family are here! In order to make the worship service as welcoming for our littlest ones as possible, we provide engaging worship bags and a Word with Children every time we gather. After the Word with Children, kindergarten-aged children and younger may leave for extended care in Room 204 or stay for the remainder of worship. The first time your child attends extended care, please accompany them to sign them in (then feel free to return to the Sanctuary). It is always a joy to have your children and all the wiggles, giggles, questions, noises, and insights they bring. If you have any questions about how to enhance your child's worship experience, or if you're looking to get involved with our children's and family ministries, please contact Heather Woolard at hwoolard@shandonpresbyterian.org.

Interested in Joining?

If you'd like to be here in a more official capacity, we'd love for you to join SPC as a member. Everyone who is part of our community is treated the same. Joining isn't about special treatment, but rather about a commitment you make to following Jesus alongside others trying to do the same. New member gatherings take place several times a year. If you are interested in learning more, contact Rev. Jenny McDevitt at jmcdevitt@shandonpresbyterian.org.

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

Janet Marks Become Cheerful, My Mind

ARR. JOHANN PACHELBEL

Welcome

Rev. Jenny McDevitt This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Please sign the friendship folder located along the inside aisle

of each pew and pass it to those seated near you.

* Call to Worship

In the beginning, the Spirit of God swept over the water,

and the River of Eden nourished the garden.

Water has been part of our story from before our first breath.

In the end, we will gather at the River of Life, surrounded by trees that will heal the nations.

From birth to death to life beyond death, water carries us.

Let us worship God,

the One whom even the wind and the waves obey.

* Hymn 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

Call to Confession

Rev. John Cook

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, forgive us.

Water is such a part of our daily living,

we forget how holy it can be.

We lose track of the promises it contains.

We take its accessibility for granted. We fight against the Spirit's current.

We resist letting grace shower down upon us.

We are hesitant to immerse ourselves in deep pools of joy.

You who are the source of all water,

you who offer us living water, forgive us, we pray. (Silent prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace

* Response of Praise

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me

GLORY TO GOD

Choir: Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

All:

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

* Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

Proclaiming the Word

The Word with Children

Heather Woolard

This time in worship is designed for children up through fifth grade. Afterwards, kindergarten-aged and younger may attend extended care in Room 204. If this is your child's first Sunday in extended care, please send one parent or guardian to briefly check in with their teacher. First grade and older remain in the Sanctuary.

Prayer for Illumination

Dr. Jabarie Glass

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 2:4b-14, CEB

On the day the Lord God made earth and sky— before any wild plants appeared on the earth, and before any field crops grew, because the Lord God hadn't yet sent rain on the earth and there was still no human being to farm the fertile land, though a stream rose from the earth and watered all of the fertile land— the Lord God formed the human from the topsoil of the fertile land and blew life's breath into his nostrils. The human came to life. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden in the east and put there the human he had formed. In the fertile land, the Lord God grew every beautiful tree with edible fruit, and also he grew the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. A river flows from Eden to water the garden, and from there it divides into four headwaters. The name of the first river is the Pishon. It flows around the entire land of Havilah, where there is gold. That land's gold is pure, and the land also has sweet-smelling resins and gemstones. The name of the second river is the Gihon. It flows around the entire land of Cush. The name of the third river is the Tigris, flowing east of Assyria; and the name of the fourth river is the Euphrates.

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Jenny McDevitt Water as Life

Responding to the Word

* Hymn 821

My Life Flows On

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

Prayers of the People

April Martin

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

Jennifer Mitchell and Christopher Moore Borning Cry

JOHN C. YLVISAKER, ARR. PHIL KADIDLO

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.

When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

* Response

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God, above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

- * Prayer of Dedication
- * Hymn 375

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

- * Benediction
- * Postlude

My Inmost Heart Now Raises
JOHANN WALTHER

Worship Notes

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY are the Janet Marks (guest organist), Rev. Jenny McDevitt, Rev. John Cook, Heather Woolard, Dr. Jabarie Glass, April Martin, Jennifer Mitchell, Christopher Moore, and the Chancel Choir.

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

AFTER WORSHIP — Join us for fellowship and refreshments on the front sidewalk. A deacon will be present in the Sower's Chapel for prayer.

Announcements

OFFICE CLOSED — The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, June 19, in observance of Juneteenth. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, June 20.

SUMMER CHOIR — The Chancel Choir invites anyone who would like to sing this summer to join! Next Sunday, June 25, the choir will gather at 10 am to prepare the hymns for the worship.

FAMILY PROMISE — Along with Gill Creek Baptist Church, Shandon will host four families for this week. Collectively there are three moms, two dads, four sons and six daughters. These five parents maintain six jobs while attending various training courses and degree programs. Please sign up at bit.ly/spcfamilypromise to support this ministry.

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING — Are you interested in volunteering with children or youth at Shandon? From SOW programming to VBS and youth advisors to Sunday school teachers, we would love to have you! Join us June 25 at 9:15 in the library for coffee and donuts where we will complete required background checks and child protection policy training. Please bring a laptop or tablet to complete the training. For questions or more information, contact Jen Lutterbie at jennifer.lutterbie@gmail.com.

YOUNG ADULT SUMMER SERIES — Shandon's young adults are invited to take part in service and fellowship.

- June 21 Volunteer at EMS Closet at St. John's Episcopal Church from 6-8 pm. Childcare will be available at Shandon 5:30-8:30 pm.
- June 28 Game night in Davis Hall, 6-8 pm. Water and snacks will be provided. Childcare available 6-8 pm.

SPC AT SESQUICENTENNIAL — Join us Sunday, June 25 beginning at noon for a time of outdoor fun and fellowship. Gather at Picnic Shelter #1; playgrounds, splash pad, and walking and hiking trails are all close by. Park admission: cover your own or tell the park ranger at the gate you are with Shandon and we'll cover it for you.

SERVE AT TRANSITIONS — Shandon serves at Transitions Homeless Center the first Sunday of every month. For more information or to sign up go to bit.ly/3X63GST.

VOLUNTEER FOR ART AND THE BIBLE CAMP — All volunteers who have signed up to help with the Art and the Bible Camp from July 10-14 are encouraged to attend an orientation meeting after the service on July 2nd in Davis Hall. There will be an explanation of responsibilities and a time for questions. If you are still interested in volunteering, but have not yet, we would love to have you. Please consider spending the week with these kids as they learn, create, and grow! To volunteer, or ask questions, contact Heather Woolard at hwoolard@ shandonpresbyterian.org.

READ SCRIPTURE IN WORSHIP — Worship is something we do together. It requires an active role of each of us — praying, singing, listening, and more. If you would like to help lead the congregation in worship by reading Scripture, sign up at bit.ly/SPCreaders. Details are included at the link. Readers of all ages are welcome!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP — Whether you are brand new to Shandon and looking to connect with other men, you've been an active member for years, or are somewhere in between, we invite you to join us as we come together to build relationships, serve our community, and explore faith in action together. For more information about Men's Fellowship gatherings, contact Scott Lutterbie at lutterbie07@gmail.com, Peyton Hassinger at peyton. hassinger@gmail.com, or Matt Ramsey at mattramsey09@gmail.com. The next activity is a Fireflies baseball game on Thursday, June 22. Meet at 6:30 pm, outisde the stadium at Segra Park, near the ticket booth, where everyone will purchase their own tickets for us to all sit together.

WEEKEND BACKPACK SUMMER SWEEPSTAKES — Donate pasta and win a spectacular meal! Robert Walker and Jenny McDevitt have offered to again prepare and serve a special dinner for four in your home. To be eligible for this event, complete an entry form for each donation of five Chef Boyardee pastas (7.5 ounce cans of ABCs, beefaroni, lasagna, or spaghetti) and place your completed entry form in the collection box in the church reception area. The winner will be announced September 3. Your pasta donations will help provide weekend food for students at Dreher High School and Rosewood and A. C. Moore Elementary Schools.

Save the Date

Water Games after Worship

Sunday, July 23, 2023 | 11:45 am | Church Lawn

Beat the heat and remember your baptism! Be sure to bring appropriate attire and a towel.

SPC Book Club Inaugural Gathering

Monday, July 24, 2023 | 6 pm | Room 214

Introductions and discussion of *Ordinary Grace*, by William Kent Krueger. In August (date, time, and location TBD at July's meeting), we'll discuss *Upgrade*, by Blake Crouch. Questions? Email Tiffany Beverly at tiffanybeverlyedwards@gmail.com, Elizabeth Crouch at elizabethcrouchphd@gmail.com, or Jon Edwards at jedwardsusc@gmail.com.

SPC at Segra Park | Columbia Fireflies vs. Carolina Mudcats

Sunday, July 30, 2023 | 5 pm

Tickets are \$11. Register at bit.ly/SPCfireflies by July 7.

This Week at Shandon

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

10 am Childcare (Room 106)

10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

11:30 am Fellowship (Front Sidewalk)

3:30 pm 5th Tradition AA (McDonald Youth Center)

MONDAY, JUNE 19

Church Office closed.

5:30 pm Personnel Ministry (off-site)

6:15 pm 5th Tradition AA (McDonald Youth Center)

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

6:15 pm Session (Room 209)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

11 am Staff Meeting (Library)

2 pm Memorial Service for Jane Ann McGregor

(Sanctuary)

6 pm Young Adults at EMS Closet (Off-site)

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

7 pm Adult Basketball (Activity Center)

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

6:15 pm 5th Tradition AA (McDonald Youth Center)

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

No events scheduled.

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

9:15 am Child Protection Policy Training (Davis Hall)

10 am Childcare (Room 106)

10 am Chancel Choir rehearsal (Choir Room)

10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

11:30 pm Fellowship (Front Sidewalk)

12 pm SPC at Sesquicentennial (Off-site)

3:30 pm 5th Tradition AA (McDonald Youth Center)

The Staff of Shandon Presbyterian Church

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