



Shandon Presbyterian Church

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Finding Moses, by He Qi

This is God's house. There is a place for you here. Welcome home.

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.

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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

Matthew McCall

Elegy

GEORGE THALBEN-BALL

*As you prepare to worship, please silence all electronic devices.
Asterisks (*) indicate portions of worship during which
you are invited to stand in body or in spirit.*

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

Fear intended for Moses to die in the Nile River.

Love inspired his mother to place him in a basket among the reeds.

Compassion moved Pharaoh's daughter to rescue the child.

Courage allowed Moses to see God in the burning bush.

Friendship motivated Aaron to speak for Moses.

Arrogance drove Pharaoh to enslave people.

Hope permitted the Israelites to remember their home.

Faith strengthened the Israelites to withstand oppression.

Providence destined Moses to lead them to freedom through the Red Sea.

Grace sustains the lives of all God's children from age to age.

* Hymn 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AUSTRIAN HYMN

Call to Confession

April Martin

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, have mercy on us.

Like Pharaoh, we give in to our fear.

We assume the worst about people.

We defend ourselves at all costs.

We dehumanize anyone different.

We resort to violence.

We cling to power.

We refuse to hear your voice.

Gracious God, have mercy on us.

Drench us in grace.

Set us free from the shackles we have fashioned for ourselves.

Liberate us, that we might liberate others.

(Silent prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace

* Response of Praise

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me

GLORY TO GOD

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to 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

Rev. John Cook

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

Lucy Nolan

Scripture Lesson

Exodus 2:1-10

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son, and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

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

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Jenny McDevitt

Water as Liberation

Responding to the Word

* Hymn 476

Crashing Waters at Creation

CRASHING WATERS

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 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

Daisy Lawrence

O Love of God, How Strong and True
HOWARD HELVEY

O love of God, how strong and true, eternal and yet ever new,
uncomprehended and unbought, beyond all knowledge and all thought!

O wide-embracing wondrous love! We read you in the sky above,
we read you in the earth below, in seas that swell and streams that flow.

We read your power to bless and save, e'en in the darkness of the grave;
still more in resurrection light we read the fullness of your might.

O love of God, our shield and stay through all the perils of our way!
Eternal love, in you we rest, forever safe, forever blest.

* Response

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDETH

**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 619

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

* Benediction

* Postlude

Festive Trumpet Tune

DAVID GERMAN

Worship Notes

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY are Matthew McCall, Rev. Jenny McDevitt, April Martin, Lucy Nolan, Rev. John Cook, Daisy Lawrence, 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

SPC AT SESQUICENTENNIAL — Join us this afternoon from noon until 3 pm 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.

YOUNG ADULT GAME NIGHT — Young adults are invited to enjoy an evening of lighthearted fun on June 28 from 6-8pm in Room 209. Some games will be provided, but you can certainly bring a favorite to share. Water and snacks will be provided. Childcare available will be 6-8pm.

SUMMER CHOIR — The Chancel Choir invites anyone who would like to sing this summer to join! Next Sunday, July 2, the choir will gather at 10 am to prepare the hymns for the worship.

SERVE AT TRANSITIONS — Shandon serves at Transitions Homeless Center the first Sunday of every month. For more information or to sign up for July 2, 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 2 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 signed up 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.

SPC AT SEGRA PARK — Join us on Sunday, July 30 at 5 pm for a game of baseball at Segra Park. The Columbia Fireflies will take on the Carolina Mudcats. Tickets are \$11 per person. Sign up for tickets by July 7 at bit.ly/SPCfireflies.

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.

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 or at the church. 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) — or an equivalent cash donation — 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 25

- 9:15 am** Child Protection Policy Training (Room 209)
- 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)

MONDAY, JUNE 26

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

No events scheduled.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

- 9:30 am** Quilt Group (Room 210)
- 12:15 pm** Staff Meeting (Room 224)
- 6 pm** Young Adults Game Night (Room 209)
- 6:30 pm** Education Ministry (Pastor's Study)

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

- 7 pm** Adult Basketball (Activity Center)

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

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

SATURDAY, JULY 1

No events scheduled.

SUNDAY, JULY 2

- 10 am** Childcare (Room 106)
- 10 am** Chancel Choir rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:30 am** Worship with Communion (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 am** Fellowship (Front Sidewalk)
- 11:45 am** ABC Volunteer Orientation (Davis Hall)
- 3:30 pm** 5th Tradition AA (McDonald Youth Center)
- 4:50 pm** Volunteer at Transitions (Off-site)

The Staff of Shandon Presbyterian Church

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