



# Shandon Presbyterian Church

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*The Touch*, by Aaron and Alan Hicks

## Welcome to Shandon Presbyterian Church

Whether you are a first-time visitor or a long-time member, you have made us better by being with us in worship today.

Every week, our service begins with a word of welcome. We take this seriously. Just as God welcomes all, so, too, do we strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as God's kingdom. We don't all look alike or act alike or think alike. We come from different backgrounds, we bring different questions, and we carry different burdens. But every Sunday, we come together and worship the same God.

Our worship style is traditional and true to our Reformed heritage. We also seek to bring our faith into conversation with the world around us and the events of our lives. We strive to follow what Jesus calls the first and greatest commandment: "to love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your mind, and all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself."

It is our hope and our prayer that you will experience something personal and relevant this morning: a word of hope, a call to action, a spark of faith, a deeper relationship with God. It is also our hope that you would feel connected to this family of faith. If we can help you find your way, please let us know. Opportunities abound with classes, events, and small groups, but we also know that sometimes, a one-on-one conversation is best.

We've been worshipping online and outdoors for some time now. We're finally back in our Sanctuary. Currently, our services are adapted to ensure one another's safety as best we know how — especially our young children who aren't yet able to be vaccinated. When we baptize a child here, we promise to help care for and nurture them. We take those promises seriously, so we continue to wear masks and keep some physical distance during worship and all other indoor, all-church activities. Of course, online worship continues.

We hope this communicates how each one of you matters deeply to us and how there is always a place for you here.

Welcome home.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jenny".

Rev. Jenny McDevitt  
Senior Pastor

## Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

*Matthew McCall*

Elegy

BY GEORGE THALBEN-BALL

Welcome

*Rev. Jenny McDevitt*

Call to Worship

We gather to worship a God who put on flesh,  
**a God who chooses to dwell in our midst.**

We see God in the beauty of the sunrise  
and the sparkling night stars,  
**let us also see God in our bodies  
and the bodies of our neighbors.**

God is sensitive to our needs and hears our cries,  
**as we worship, may we tune our hearts  
so that we hear with God's ears  
the needs of every body around us.**

Musical Offering

*John Maynard, handbells*

Healer of Our Every Ill

ARR. JOHN MAYNARD

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of the once bleeding woman,  
we confess that some days  
we do not comprehend that you declared  
our existence very good.  
It is far easier to see glory in a starry night sky  
than in the flesh that holds us.  
Lord, we have been bombarded  
with narratives of our sin,  
while the stories of our making —  
our bodily goodness and glory —  
come to us in rare whispers.  
Would you lead us into a self-love  
that isn't consumed with itself,  
but a love that also doesn't  
apologize for itself.  
A beauty that compels us to also affirm  
the beauty in our neighbor.  
Repair our relationship to humanness,  
that when we encounter it, we would marvel.  
Our bones regenerate, our flesh heals,  
our heart carries that blood.  
If we bear your image, would you let us glimpse it?  
(Silent prayer)**

Assurance of God's Grace

Passing of the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

## Proclaiming the Word

The Word with Children

*Rev. Molly Spangler*

Prayer for Illumination

*Bill Calloway*

Scripture Reading

Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*Rev. Molly Spangler*

Justice For Every Body

## Responding to the Word

Anthem

*Serena Hill LaRoche,  
soprano*

Lord of the Small

BY DAN FORREST

Praise to the Lord of the small broken things,  
who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing;  
who loves the lame child and the wretch in the street  
who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.

Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid  
who girds them with courage and lends them his aid;  
he pours out his Spirit on vessels so weak  
that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.

Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill,  
who heals their afflictions, or carries them till  
they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly,  
to never be sick, and never to die.

Praise him, O praise him all ye who yet live,  
who've been given so much and can so little give,  
our frail, lisping praise, God will never despise:  
He sees his dear children through mercy-filled eyes.

Affirmation of Faith

*Hannah Ratliff*

from The Confession of Belhar

**We believe in the triune God**

**who gathers, protects, and cares for the church  
through Word and Spirit.**

**This, God has done since the beginning of the world  
and will do to the end.**

**We believe that God is the one who wishes to bring  
about justice and true peace among people;**

**that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity,  
is in a special way the God of the destitute,  
the poor, and the wronged;**

**that God calls the church to follow in this,  
for God brings justice to the oppressed  
and gives bread to the hungry;**

**that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good  
and to see what is right;**

**that the church must therefore stand by people  
in any form of suffering and need,  
which implies, among other things,  
that the church must witness against**

**and strive against any form of injustice,  
so that justice may roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;  
that the church as the possession of God  
must stand where the Lord stands,  
namely against injustice and with the wronged.  
We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ,  
its only head, the church is called  
to confess and to do all these things.  
To the one and only God be the honor and the glory,  
forever and ever. 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 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 Tithes and Gifts

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\* Hymn 796

**We Come to You for Healing, Lord**

LAND OF REST

\* Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation on an Early American Hymn

## Worship Notes

Leading worship today are: Matthew McCall, Rev. Jenny McDevitt, John Maynard, Rev. Molly Spangler, Bill Calloway, Serena LaRoche and Hannah Ratliff.

The Call to Worship was written by Rev. Molly Spangler. The Prayer of Confession was adapted from a prayer written by Cole Arthur Riley | Black Liturgies.

Following worship, Deacon Sandra Martin will receive pastoral concerns and prayer concerns at the entrance to the Memorial Garden.

Join us for cold lemonade and lemon cookies outside after worship where we can greet each other without masks and see some smiles. This week's Fellowship Time is sponsored by Buildings and Grounds. If you would like to help, sign up to serve, set up or clean up at [bit.ly/spcsummer2021](https://bit.ly/spcsummer2021).

## Announcements

**SUPPORT FAMILY PROMISE THIS SUMMER.** We have two opportunities to support Family Promise in providing families a healthy and fun summer:

- Shandon is "hosting" four families the week of June 27 through July 3. Because of your generosity and that of Gill Creek Baptist during our previous host week, we need only meal gift cards this time. You can sign up to donate gift cards at [bit.ly/familypromisejune2021](https://bit.ly/familypromisejune2021).
- It's also summer camp time, and we would like to outfit five young campers for Camp Impact, July 19-23. Held in collaboration with Camp Cole in Eastover, Camp Impact provides a fun experience for children whose families are homeless or at risk of homelessness. To support a camper, go to [bit.ly/campimpact2021](https://bit.ly/campimpact2021).

**BLOOD DRIVE JULY 18.** Giving blood can make a big difference in the lives of others and the need is constant. Please make a donation appointment for the Red Cross blood drive in Shandon's Activity Center 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 18. You may sign up online at [redcrossblood.org](https://redcrossblood.org). Enter the sponsor code, ShandonPres. Or call or email Linda McDonald, 803-530-5154, [lichmac@aol.com](mailto:lichmac@aol.com). Red Cross professionals will assist you in giving blood in a clinically sanitized environment. Thank you for giving this essential gift of life.

**SAVE THE DATE: SHANDON'S SUMMER GAMES.** Shandon's Education and Fellowship committees are teaming up to bring us the Shandon Summer Games 4:30-5:30 p.m. Sunday, July 25, on the front lawn. Intergenerational teams will vie against each other in games that are sure to make you laugh and maybe get a little wet. Come for the games and stay for dinner. We will have several food trucks to enjoy eating together.

**ORDER YOUR SHANDON PRESBYTERIAN T-SHIRT.** We are ordering shirts to celebrate Rally Day this fall. They will feature an image of the church drawn by Grace Hunter Youth. Adult and youth sizes are available. Please place your order by Friday, July 23, for delivery in September. A suggested donation is \$10 per shirt. Order yours today at [bit.ly/spcshirts2021](https://bit.ly/spcshirts2021).

**SUMMER DONATIONS: WEEKEND BACKPACK.** We continue to need your support for the Weekend Backpack Food Program over the summer. Your donations are delivered to students at Dreher High School and A.C. Moore Elementary. You can help by dropping off donations in the designated box under the portico. This summer we are collecting Chef Boyardee ABCs, Beefaroni, spaghetti and lasagna.

## **Upcoming Worship**

### **The Stories Justice Needs to Tell**

July 4 (final Sunday in this sermon series)

God Will Use Who God Will Use

Rev. Jenny McDevitt preaching

### **July 11 - August 29: There's Someone I'd Like You to Meet**

Each week's service will focus on different characters throughout Scripture. Preachers include Rev. Jenny McDevitt, Rev. Molly Spangler and Hannah Ratliff.

### **Register for in-person worship**

Registration is required for in-person worship services at 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Up to 100 people may attend each service.

Registration remains open until services are full. Sign up anytime.

Check your email or our website for the link to sign up online or call the church office.

Online worship continues at [shandonpresbyterian.org](http://shandonpresbyterian.org).

### **The Staff of Shandon Presbyterian Church**

Rev. Jenny McDevitt, Senior Pastor

Rev. John Cook, Associate Pastor for Discipleship (on sabbatical)

Rev. Molly Spangler, Associate Pastor for Children, Youth, and Families

Hannah Ratliff, Shandon/UKirk Pastoral Assistant

Matthew McCall, Director of Music and Organist

Dr. Alicia Walker, Chancel Choir Director

Ashlee Poole, Youth Choir Director

Sally Tackett, Children's Choir Director

John Maynard, Handbell Director

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