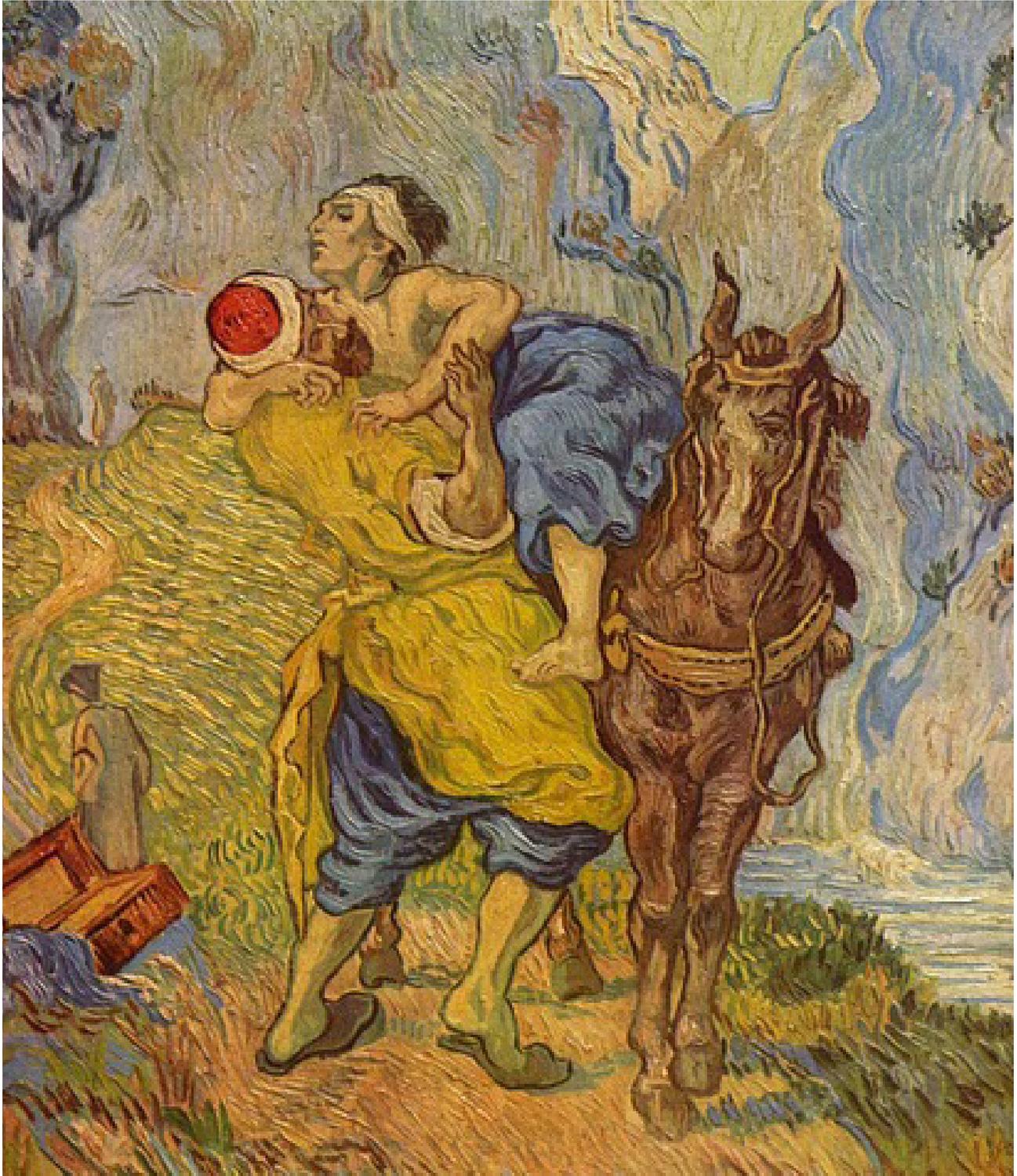




# Shandon Presbyterian Church

607 Woodrow Street • Columbia, South Carolina • 29205

July 4, 2021 • 9 & 10:30 a.m.



*Good Samaritan*, by Vincent Van Gogh

## 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*

How Firm a Foundation

ARR. JOSEPH MARTIN

Welcome

*Rev. Jenny McDevitt*

Call to Worship

We are here to love the Lord, our God, with all our heart.

**We are here to love the Lord, our God, with all our soul.**

We are here to love the Lord, our God, with all our strength.

**We are here to love the Lord, our God, with all our mind.**

Let us worship God!

Musical Offering

Prayer on a Shaker Melody

ARR. MATTHEW MCCALL

Call to Confession

*Hannah Ratliff*

Prayer of Confession

**God of hard truths and honest living,**

**You call us to love our neighbor.**

**About this, you could not be clearer.**

**Forgive us when we turn away,**

**pass by,**

**and carry on.**

**Forgive us when we feign ignorance,**

**create unnecessary complication,**

**and look for loopholes.**

**Forgive us when we are more creative**

**about justifying our actions**

**than we are about acting for justice.**

**Forgive us when our preoccupation**

**with being right, successful, or holy**

**means we do not even notice**

**when you are here in our midst.**

**You call us to love our neighbor.**

**Forgive us when we fail.**

(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

Prayer for Illumination  
*David White*

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*Rev. Jenny McDevitt*

God Will Use Who God Will Use

## Responding to the Word

Anthem

*Jennifer Mitchell,*  
*soprano*

Here I Am, Lord  
ARR. CRAIG COURTNEY

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry,  
all who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will make darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you need me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you need me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life for them. Whom shall I send?  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you need me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

The 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 Tithes and Gifts

*Text SHANDONPC to 73256 or visit [shandonpresbyterian.org](http://shandonpresbyterian.org)*

\* Hymn

## **O God of Every Nation**

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- 1. O God of every nation,  
of every race and land,  
redeem the whole creation  
with your almighty hand.  
Where hate and fear divide us  
and bitter threats are hurled  
in love and mercy guide us  
and heal our strife torn world.**
- 2. From search for wealth and power  
and scorn of truth and right,  
from trust in bombs that shower  
destruction through the night,  
from pride of race and station  
and blindness to your way,  
deliver every nation,  
eternal God we pray.**
- 3. Lord, strengthen those who labor  
that all may find release  
from fear of rattling saber,  
from dread of war's increase;  
when hope and courage falter,  
your still small voice be heard;  
with faith that none can alter,  
your servants undergird.**
- 4. Keep bright in us the vision  
of days when war shall cease,  
when hatred and division  
give way to love and peace,  
till dawns the morning glorious  
when truth and justice reign  
and Christ shall rule victorious  
o'er all the world's domain.**

\* Benediction

Postlude

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ARR. BY PAUL MANZ

## **Worship Notes**

Leading worship today are: Matthew McCall, Rev. Jenny McDevitt, Hannah Ratliff, David White and Jennifer Mitchell.

The Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession were written by Rev. Jenny McDevitt.

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

## Announcements

**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](http://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.

**INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT SHANDON?** The most important thing you need to know about Shandon: There is always a place for you here. If you have other questions or are interested in joining the church, attend "Tell Me More About Shandon" at noon Sunday, July 18. Lunch and child care provided. Contact Jess Joyner, [jjoyner@shandonpresbyterian.org](mailto:jjoyner@shandonpresbyterian.org), to sign up.

**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.

**2021-2022 CONFIRMATION CLASS.** We are gathering a Confirmation class for 2021-2022 year! If you have a rising seventh- or eighth-grader who would like to participate, please contact Molly Spangler, [mspangler@shandonpresbyterian.org](mailto:mspangler@shandonpresbyterian.org) as soon as possible. Rising ninth-graders who missed Confirmation in the past are also invited to join the class. Invitations will be sent at the end of July, so please get in touch soon.

**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. 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](http://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**

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

July 11

The Beloved Disciple  
Rev. Molly Spangler preaching

July 18

Tabitha  
Rev. Jenny McDevitt preaching

July 25

Joseph of Arimathea  
Rev. Jenny McDevitt preaching

August 1

Hannah Ratliff preaching

August 8

Euodia and Syntyche  
Dr. Robert Walker preaching

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

### **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  
Carol Ward, Communications Coordinator  
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Catherine Teal, Financial Manager  
Sandie Stillinger, Bookkeeper  
Gerald Taylor, Sexton