



**SHANDON**  
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# *the* **VOICE**

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## **Meet Us at Shandon during this Christmas Season**

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
USC CONCERT CHOIR**  
Sunday, December 8  
7:00 pm

**SHANDON PRESCHOOL  
& KINDERGARTEN  
CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**  
Wednesday, December 11  
11:00 am

**LOVE FEAST**  
Sunday, December 15  
5:00 pm

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT:  
EDDIE HUSS & FRIENDS**  
Friday, December 20  
7:00 pm

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
Tuesday, December 24  
**Traditional Communion  
Service:** 2:00 pm  
**Family Service:** 5:00 pm  
**LifeLine Contemporary  
Service:** 7:00 pm  
**Communion and  
Candlelight Service:**  
9:00 pm

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## *Do You Ponder?*

*One of my favorite verses in the Christmas story is in Luke 2:19, which is a little verse that does not get a lot of attention. It comes right at the end of the Christmas story as Luke tells it. It simply says, "But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart."*

I wonder do you ever do any pondering? Especially during this most holy season of the year as we prepare to celebrate the birth of the world's savior. Do you do any pondering?

Mary sets a good example for all of us. She takes time to reflect and meditate on what had just happened to her, the son to whom she had just given birth and his meaning for all the world's people. Mary wanted to understand it all, so she ponders.

I wonder do you have anytime scheduled on your December calendar to ponder? So often we look but we seldom see, we hear but we seldom listen. Our problem is that the Christmas story has become too familiar to us. In these days when our lives are at such a fast pace with our calendars filled with countless things to do we seldom, if ever, take time to ponder what Christmas is really all about. Our secular celebrations crowd out our spiritual preparations. With so many things to do and attend to, Christmas becomes a time of mental and physical exhaustion.

Why not take a clue from Mary by taking time to treasure and ponder the good news of God becoming human for the purpose of redeeming a lost humanity. Consider the breadth and depth of God's love for the world. Ponder the grace He offers us. Meditate upon the joy of the gift He gives. Marvel at the hope we find in God's gift of his son. Ponder the forgiveness He freely offers all who simply ask for it. Commit yourself to being a disciple of Jesus Christ and join the Godhead in His work and ministry of redeeming the world.

If we take time to ponder, like Mary, Christmas will come and go but we won't be the same. Our lives will be changed, made anew, and fit to live a life for God in the New Year.

Jesus did not come so that we might overspend, overeat, over socialize, over party and wear ourselves out. He came to bring us new life, genuine life, and a life of meaning and purpose.

I look forward to seeing you in church on Sunday morning as we continue our journey to Bethlehem.

In Faith,  
Michael Guffee, Sr.

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# YOU'RE INVITED SUNDAY

December 8 and 15

8:45 a.m. Traditional Worship

**SERMON 8th:** "Fire and Soap," Dr. Michael Guffee

SCRIPTURE: Malachi 3:1-4

MUSIC: Celebration Choir

**SERMON 15th:** Rev. Josh McClendon

Ushers 8th: Dan Vismor 15th: John Hays  
Ambassadors 8th: Dana Wolfe 15th: Linda Girndt

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

**SERMON 8th:** "Superheros," Rev. Julie Songer Belman

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 3:1-12

**SERMON 15th:** Dr. Michael Guffee

Ushers 8th: Jim Bogle 15th: Bob Burks  
Ambassadors 8th: 15th: Nancy Mauterer

11:05 a.m. LifeLine Worship

**SERMON 8th:** "Fire and Soap," Dr. Michael Guffee

SCRIPTURE: Malachi 3:1-4

MUSIC: LifeLine Band

**SERMON 15th:** Dr. Michael Guffee

**Nursery Opens at 8:30 a.m.**

8:45 a.m. worship	December 8	December 15
Crib	Staff	Robin Heaton
Toddler	Sarah Buscher	Pamela Adams
Two-year-olds	Taryn West	Monica McCutcheon
Three-year-olds	Lauren/Montague Laffitte	Chapel Wilson/ Linda Suber

**11:00 a.m. and 11:05 a.m. worship**

Crib	Courtney Brooks	Emily Brannen
Toddler	Elizabeth Jeffords	Katherine Bryant
Two-year-olds	Mandy Wren	Emily/Joe Davis
Three-year-olds	Staff	Lauren Smith

## Adult Sunday School Join us at 9:45 a.m.

**Acts 2:21** (Bruner221): "Advent Study: Christmas Light Splits the Night," Ruth Ellis

**Chapel Bible Study-Not a Sunday School Class** (Chapel)

**Commitment** (Knox205): Project: Epworth Children's Home

**Foundation** (Knox208): Social: Christmas Party, Dec 14

Project: Epworth Children's Home Party, Dec 15

**Genesis** (Knox214): Dec 8: Keller Kissam, Dec 15: Rob Tyson

Social: Christmas Party, Dec 12

**George Huggins** (Knox209): "Mary's Song of Praise," Lewis Browning

Project: Killingsworth Home for Women

**Growing Disciples** (Knox201)

**JOY** (Bruner220): Harvey Allen

**New Beginnings** (Knox204)

**New Generation** (Bruner224): Dec 1: Holiday Brunch

Dec 8: "Zealot," Marvin Lare

**Seekers** (Bruner223): "The Journey: Mary's Visit to Elizabeth,"

Lori Schwartz

Social: Holiday Party, Dec 12

**Wesley Fellowship** (WH): "Mary's Song of Praise," Melanie Chu

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# COMING UP AT SHANDON

**Sunday:** 8:45, 11:00 & 11:05 Worship; 9:45 Sunday School

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

Matthew 3:1-12

11:00 New Beginnings Wrapping Gifts - Player Hall

4:00 Youth Choir Rehearsal - Bruner 206

4:30 Tiger Scouts - DuBose 215

4:30 Wolves Scouts - DuBose 206

5:00 Shandon UMYF - Youth Zone

5:00 Webelos II - DuBose 201

5:15 Josh Wentz Recital - Wesley Hall

5:30 Bear Scouts - DuBose 202

5:30 Webelos I - DuBose 204

6:30 JOY Class Christmas Party - Off Campus

7:00 Christmas Concert, USC Concert Choir - Sanctuary

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

John 3:22-36

9:00 P&K Christmas Pageant Rehearsal - Sanctuary

4:00 Basketball Teams Practice - Gym

5:30 Property Committee - Conference Room

6:00 Staff Parish Relations Committee - Knox 209

6:30 Magical Mystery Men's Study - Player Hall

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

John 5:30-47

6:50 Ayyekah (Where are You?) - Player Hall

9:00 P&K Christmas Pageant Rehearsal - Sanctuary

12:00 P&K Subcommittee Meetings - Knox 201

12:30 Lunch Bunch - Player Hall (Pre-Lunch Fun: 10:00 PH)

7:00 Boy Scout Commissioners Meeting - Bruner 223

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Matthew 11:1-6

6:45 BoVotions @ Bojangles (Senior High) - Bojangles on Devine

11:00 P&K Christmas Pageant - Sanctuary

5:15 Wednesday Night Manna - Gym

5:30 Board of Trustees - Conference Room

6:00 Children's Choirs, Trackers & Synago - See Back Cover

6:00 Second Helpings - Player Hall

7:00 Boy Scout Meeting - Basement

7:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Studio

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

Matthew 11:7-15

10:00 Women's Study - Gospel of John - Parlor

4:00 Basketball Teams Practice - Gym

6:30 Boy Scouts Round Table Discussion - Bruner 220

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

Matthew 11:16-24

4:00 Basketball Teams Practice - Gym

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

Matthew 17:9-13

8:00 Basketball Games - Gym

6:00 George Huggins Christmas Party - Player Hall

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

Matthew 11:2-11

11:00 Acts 2:21 Lunch - Player Hall

4:30 Tiger Scouts - DuBose 215

4:30 Wolves Scouts - DuBose 206

5:00 Love Feast - Sanctuary

5:00 Webelos II - DuBose 201

5:30 Bear Scouts - DuBose 202

5:30 Webelos I - DuBose 204

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

Matthew 21:23-32

4:00 Basketball Teams Practice - Gym

5:30 Wesley Ringers - Bruner 201

7:00 Tricia Meadors Piano Recital - Wesley Hall

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

Matthew 18:1-6

12:30 Lunch Bunch - Player Hall (Pre-Lunch Fun: 10:00 PH)

4:00 Basketball Teams Practice - Gym

6:00 Staff Parish Relations Committee - Conference Room

7:00 Tricia Meadors Piano Recital - Wesley Hall

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

John 10:31-42

6:45 BoVotions @ Bojangles (Senior High) - Bojangles on Devine

9:30 P&K Chapel - Chapel

5:15 Wednesday Night Manna - Gym

6:00 Children's Choirs, Trackers & Synago - See Back Cover

6:00 Second Helpings - Player Hall

7:00 Boy Scout Meeting - Basement

7:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Studio

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

John 4:1-15

10:00 Women's Study - Gospel of John - Parlor

4:00 Basketball Teams Practice - Gym

6:30 Sons of Thunder Third Thursday - Player Hall

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

John 4:16-30

4:00 Basketball Teams Practice - Gym

7:00 Christmas Benefit Concert: Eddie Huss & Friends - Sanctuary

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

Matthew 1:1-17

8:00 Basketball Games - Gym

12:00 Wesley Fellowship Class Lunch - Player Hall

# Join Us During the Advent/Christmas Season

## LOVE FEAST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

*Be a part of this annual celebration filled with wonderful music by the Chancel Choir and Orchestra and sharing bread, coffee and warm fellowship.*

A service rich in Christian fellowship and part of the Methodist heritage in America and in England for over 200 years. The custom was brought to America by the Moravians, and John Wesley, founder of the United Methodist Church, introduced the Love Feast to the Methodists.

Please bring non-perishable food items for Harvest Hope.

Childcare is available for ages three and under (Reservations required). Contact Heather Corley at Hdcorley123@yahoo.com.

## BENEFIT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

*Experience a wonderful holiday program filled with beautiful, inspiring music performed by **Eddie Huss and Friends** and benefiting the Family Shelter.*

Features Classical and Christmas music and includes Eddie Huss, Annette Matthews, pianists; William Douglas, organist; and Angela Blalock, Dustin Ousley, Lee Ousley, Josh Wentz, Lauren Norton, vocalists. The Concert is free. An offering will be taken to benefit Family Shelter, providing emergency food, shelter, resources, and hope to homeless families with children in the Midlands area.

## HOLIDAY GIFT IDEA TO HELP STOP HUNGER IN OUR COMMUNITY

### A Calendar from the Shandon Cluster of Churches Helping Hands Committee

The Shandon Cluster of Churches Helping Hands Committee, on which Shandon's Judy Coull is a member, will be selling 2014 Calendars to raise money for the Weekend Food Program at Hand Middle School. The many pictures in the calendar were taken by the students in this "Helping Hands Weekend Food Program," a way in which these students are "giving back" to the program. We will be selling these calendars before and after church on December 8 and December 15. You can also contact Judy Coull to buy one: (803) 782-5276 or coull@sc.rr.com. They cost only \$10 and are for an extremely worthy cause. 100% of the proceeds of each calendar sold will be donated to the Weekend Food Program.

*The Weekend Food Program was started in 2009 under the direction of the Shandon Cluster of Churches and sponsored by St. John's Episcopal Church. Its mission is to alleviate hunger in the Hand Middle School student body by providing children with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food at times when other resources are not available. The program is funded with grants and individual donations. It costs \$400/child/year to send home nutritious meals each weekend and holidays. Last year, 1421 bags were distributed to students at Hand Middle School.*

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome **Ralph and Pat Owings** as Affiliate Members of Shandon. They are full members of The Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration in Saluda, North Carolina.

*Be sure to look in the next issue of The Voice for new members who recently joined after attending Shandon's first TREK Discipleship Course.*



*Building the Body of Christ  
through God's creative gifts.*

MUSIC & ARTS

## **IT'S A GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING Youth Choir Fundraiser**

***Our Youth Choir will host a dinner and silent auction with musical entertainment on Sunday, January 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Dunn-Smith Ministry Center.***

Early viewing of items in our silent auction will start at 6:00 p.m.

This event is to help sponsor our Youth Choir Festival Trips to Washington, DC, June 22-28, and Springmaid Beach, April 25-27.

***The musical program will be provided by members of our Youth Choir and College Students.  
Be sure to mark your calendars for this special event!***

(If you are interested in donating an item to our Silent Auction, contact Ruth Ellis at [rsellis@sc.rr.com](mailto:rsellis@sc.rr.com) or Eddie Huss at [ehuss@shandon-umc.org](mailto:ehuss@shandon-umc.org) to obtain a silent auction donation form.)



## **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN CIRCLE MEETINGS**

***New members are always welcome for wonderful fellowship, spiritual growth and service.***

**Augusta Beckman:** Monday, December 9, 6:30 p.m., home of Cathy Knox, 1706 Woodlake Dr. (06).  
A covered dish meal.

**Bruner/Major/Richardson:** Tuesday, December 10 at 11:00 a.m. at Shandon, room 223.

**Mary Campbell:** Tuesday, December 10 at 6:00 p.m., home of Mary Hellams 4923 Kilbourne Rd (06).  
A covered dish meal.

**Mary and Martha:** Monday, December 9 at 12:45 p.m. at Shandon in Player Hall.

**Ola B. Taylor:** Tuesday, December 10 at 10:30 a.m., home of Pat Beckler 102 Wildewood Crest Way (23).

**Susannah Wesley:** Tuesday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m., home of Anne Graybill 3407 Overcreek Rd (06).  
A Christmas Get Together.



*Together, men of all ages are challenged to be in fellowship, to share hefty meals, to play and be active, to dig into study, to serve and more.*

**[SoT] BLOG – Visit <http://shandonthunder.wordpress.com> for news and updates.**

**THIRD THURSDAYS – MAN NIGHT FELLOWSHIP FOR DUDES** December 19, 6:30 p.m., Player Hall  
***We're having a "Christmas Panoply"*** which means every man is challenged to buy, prepare (or have someone else prepare) a favorite Christmas food dish to bring and share potluck style. Contact Blake Buchanan at [blakebtigerg6@yahoo.com](mailto:blakebtigerg6@yahoo.com) with what you're planning to bring.





*Discover God...Share with others...Have fun in faith... and Live-out being a Christian everyday—at home, school and play. Don't miss the adventure.*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL: December 8 & 15. See you on Sunday at 9:45 a.m.**

**Twos:** Jesus Is Born “You will name him Jesus.” (Luke 1:31)

**Threes-5th Grade:** *She gave birth to her firstborn son, wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger....” Luke 2:7*

**December 8:** A Message to Mary (Luke 1:26-38, 46-47)

**December 15:** A Message to Joseph (Matthew 1:18-25)

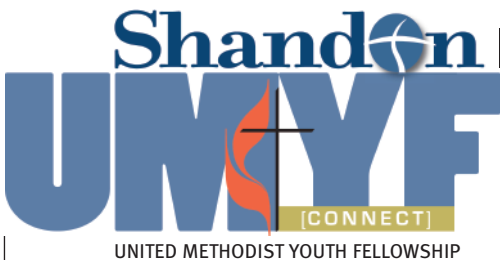
**6th Grade:**

**December 8:** Trusting God (Elizabeth and Zechariah)

**December 15:** Faith (Mary and Joseph)

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2014**

Confirmation Preparation classes for 6th & 7th graders for church membership will be held Sunday evenings beginning in January, 2014, and running through April, 2014. Parents of interested students should contact Lesli Wood at lwood@shandon-umc.org for information and registration.



*If you're a 7th-12th grader – interested in experiencing real faith, friends, fun and living for the glory of God [CONNECT] to Shandon UMYF!*

**FOLLOW US: Youth Blog**

<http://www.shandonumyf.wordpress.com/>

**SUMO YOUTH CHANGE!**

***We will now meet at Target at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 14 and will be done by 2:30 p.m.***

All youth must be dropped-off and picked-up from Target! We will be standing at the entrance and will start shopping at 1:15 p.m., so don't be late!

The Shandon UMYF will be shopping for three families who participate in the Follow-Up Program at The Nurturing Center. The Nurturing Center is a non-profit organization here in Columbia that aims to repair the relationships between children and parents, with the primary focus of breaking the cycle of abuse and neglect. Each family has created a Christmas “wish list” that includes anything from books and toys to kitchen, bedroom, or clothing necessities. Donations are much appreciated!

**GIRLS' NIGHT OUT**

Girls, put Friday December 13 on your schedule. More to come!

**SKI TRIP! Annual Ski Trip – Friday, February 7-Sunday, February 9**

We will return to Winterplace Ski Resort and will be staying in the same cabins by the slopes!

Go to the youth Blog for the Permission Slip and information. Take note of the dates and participant number limit!

Travis needs your permission slip and \$100 deposit to ensure your spot on the trip.

*We will need at least three or four male and three or four female adult chaperones! There is no cost to the adults.*



# Doorways to God

**WINTER STUDIES & SPECIALS**  
Registration Begins December 15!

*Belonging most often comes before believing. It is the process of belonging that helps you get your beliefs.* - Leonard Sweet

**REGISTER** in the Bruner hall, Dunn-Smith lobby, or on the Shandon web site. **Deadline:** a week prior to start date.

## TWO SUNDAY MORNINGS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

- **Creating A Marriage You Want to Come Home To**  
Dr. Amy Montanez, D. Min., licensed marriage and family therapist in Columbia  
**February 2 & 9 in Player Hall 8:30-10:45 a.m.** (break from 9:30-9:45 a.m.)  
Helpers: Margaret & Angelo DiBiase. Entire classes are urged to attend together.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR SPECIALS

- **Pan Methodist Campaign for Children in Poverty**  
Bishop Jack Meadors (ret.), The United Methodist Church – January 12 in Player Hall
- **Resources for Parents – Sharing Faith in the Everyday**  
Lesli Wood – February 2 & May 18 in the Patsy McIntosh Library
- **Spiritual Trends of Teens & Young Adults in America**  
Rev. Roy Mitchell, Chaplain, Columbia College – March 30 in Player Hall

## GROUP STUDIES

- **Galatians & James**  
Alix Hay & Margaret Hays; 13 Mondays, January 13 - April 7, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- **For Women: Continued Studies in the Gospel of John**  
Gessner Dunn; 12-13 Thursdays, January 16 - April 10, 10:00-11:30 a.m.
- **Can't Wait for the Word! Preparing for Sunday Worship in Word and In Ward**  
Jennie Lambe, Ruthie Taylor, Kathy Duggan, Carolyn Talbert  
6 Wednesdays, January 22 - February 26, 9:15-10:45 a.m.
- **Our Beliefs – Where Do they Come From?**  
Keith Philips & Betty Ruff; 8 Mondays, January 27 - March 17, 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- **The Way – Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus**  
Jennie Lambe, Ruthie Taylor, Kathy Duggan, Carolyn Talbert  
6 Wednesdays, March 5 - April 9, 9:15-10:45 a.m.
- **What Wondrous Love – Holy Week in Word & Art**  
Daniel Gainey, Director Music & Arts College Place UMC, former choral scholar/interim choir director at Shandon  
3 Mondays, March 24, 31, April 7, 6:30-8:00 p.m.



**Confidential, available, dependable, Christian care-giver,  
active listener, caring & concerned – all describe a Stephen Minister**

*Your Shandon Stephen Ministers have been trained in a 50-hour course  
to be of service to you.*

*Whether your need is temporary or long-term, we are here for you.*

Please let us help. Contact coordinators Candler Rhodes 799-6236 or Bill Lynn 348-6274.

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR ON DECEMBER 1 were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Dr. James H. Blair and John Blair** by their family.

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR ON DECEMBER 8 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their parents, **Jane and John Brewer**, by Bonnie Mullis and Holly Neuffer.

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR ON DECEMBER 15 are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Mr. and Mrs. Wade Fitzgerald Ward** by Harry, Jane, Michael Ward and Mary Beth and Grayson Lambert.

### In Memoriam

**Stephanie Shaw Fowler**  
July 28, 2012  
(Notified on November 26, 2013)

**Michael James Seeley**  
September 13, 2012  
(notified on 11/15/2013)

**Sonya Stuckey Morton**  
November 21, 2013

**Marvin Clifton Moore, Jr.**  
November 24, 2013

**Sara Wise Foy**  
November 24, 2013



DECEMBER 1, 2013

#### PRESENCE

Sunday School . . . . .	.457
Worship . . . . .	884

#### GIFTS – OPERATING BUDGET

November 24	December 1	Year-to-Date
Revenues	Revenues	Revenues
\$34,743	\$58,390	\$1,772,934
November 24	December 1	Year-to-Date
Expenses	Expenses	Expenses
\$54,467	\$61,532	\$1,907,389



Total Pledged . . . . .	\$2,444,875
Received through November 30, 2013 . . . . .	\$396,844
Allocated to Family Shelter . . . . .	\$99,211

### MEMORIALS IN MEMORY

**Larry Bass** by MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews  
**Myrtle Parkman Carter** by MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, The JOY Class  
**Charles Dunn** by MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, The JOY Class  
**Sara Foy** by Judy & Harvey Allen, Dr. & Mrs. Henry W. Asbill, Jr., Robert & Nancy Buchanan, George & Beth Burnett, Barbara Cobb, MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, Nancy & Larry Foy, Jim & Jean Hearn, Mary Hellams, The JOY Class, Betty Willis Maxwell, Bill & Erin McKinney, Judy & Butch Roberts, Mr. & Mrs. Delleney Ruff, Jr., Bob & Pat Spear, The Lawrence Taylor Family, Bill & Joanna Walkup, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Williams, Elizabeth Ann Wise  
**Wallace Grantland** by MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, Anna, Joey, Susan & Joe Stone, Sr.  
**George Hammet, Jr.** by MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, The Lawrence Taylor Family  
**Gaye Lott** by Gary & Bea Daves  
**Cliff Moore** by Judy & Harvey Allen, Beth Bickham & family, George & Beth Burnett, Geraldine G. Childs, Don & Elaine Clary, Barbara Cobb, MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, Gary & Bea Daves, Jeff & Dolores Derrick, Sean & Susan Douglas, Gessner & Bill Dunn, Tom & Willa Ellis, Jim & Jean Hearn, Mary Hellams, Margaret & Ray Kightlinger, Doug & Betty Neal, Judy & Butch Roberts, Martha & Jimmy Sanders, David & Sally Seavey, Tom & Carolyn Silvester, Bob & Pat Spear, The Lawrence Taylor Family, Bill & Joanna Walkup, Pam & Raymond Wells  
**Sonya Morton** by Judy & Harvey Allen, Susan Beall, Andy & Holly Beeson, John & Dorothy Bell, The Bickham family, Linda Bowen, David Coates, MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, Tom & Willa Ellis, Kay Jordan, Margaret & Ray Kightlinger, Bill & Erin McKinney, Doug & Betty Neal, Mr. & Mrs. Delleney Ruff, Jr., Joyce & Lloyd Steele, Randal & Ellen Stuckey, Peggy Tarr, B.A. Weed  
**Leroy Parker** by Jeff, Elizabeth, Tripp & Will Holstein, Bill & Joanna Walkup  
**Melba Reid Seals** by June M. Alexander, Dianne & Terry Barnes, MaryAnn & Jerry Frank Crews, Gary & Bea Daves  
**Rose Walker** by Steve & Sally Garris, Joyce P. Nobles

### IN HONOR

**William Douglas** by The Celebration Choir  
**Jim & Carolyn Fields** by Jim & Susan Brant, Ken & Mary Collins, Gary & Bea Daves, Eddie & Catherine Gaither, Bennett & Barbara Griffin, Russell & Martha Herring, Ed & Ann Philbeck, James Zeigler  
**Eddie Huss** by The Celebration Choir  
**Bob Meyers** by The Celebration Choir  
**Ann Philbeck** by The Celebration Choir

### SYMPATHY

**Steve and Susan Carter** on the death of his mother, Myrtle Parkman Carter on November 30.  
**Mary Bynum** on the death of her father, William "Billy" Bynum, Jr. on November 21 in Sumter and to grandchildren, Alice and Warren Holloway.  
**Frances Tompkins** on the death of her brother-in-law, Larry Bass on November 22.  
**Gina Janvrin** on the death of her uncle, Thurman Davis on November 22 in Springfield, SC.  
**Gladys and Frank Dunn** on the death of his brother, Rev. Charles Dunn November 30 in Columbia.

### HOSPITALS

**Palmetto Health Baptist:** Betty Reese

**Senior Minister**  
Michael Guffee, Sr.

**Minister of Evangelism and Outreach Ministries**  
Julie Songer Belman

**Minister of Assimilation and Discipleship**  
Josh McClendon

**Business Administrator**  
Michael Hart

**Minister of Music and Arts Ministries**  
Eddie Huss

**Director of Christian Education and Adult Ministries**  
Anne Cox

**Director of Student Ministries**  
Travis Pearson

**Director of Children's Ministries**  
Lesli Wood

**Director of Preschool/Kindergarten**  
Bea Daves

**Director of Kitchen Ministries**  
Timothy Scott

**Director of Communications**  
Melanie Owen

**Music Associate/Organist**  
William Douglas

**Finance Administrative Assistant/Organist Emeritus**  
Nancy Kelley

**Administrative Assistant to the Senior Minister**  
Winifred Rodgers

**Education Administrative Assistant**  
Samantha Apple

**Administrative Assistant to Associate Ministers and Music**  
Karen Daves

**Child Care Coordinator**  
Heather Corley

**Sound Technician**  
Cindi Reid

**Maintenance Supervisor**  
Bobby Douglas

**Custodial Staff**  
Thomas Brunson, Eladio Cruz,  
John Whetstone

**Security**  
Wade Carlisle

**Lay Leader**  
Jonathan Roquemore

**Church Council Chair**  
Jan Bilton

**Parish Nurse**  
Nancy Reynolds

### **Mission Statement**

Shandon United Methodist Church gathers to worship God, nurture Christian faith, and go out into the world in mission.

# Wednesday Night Manna

**NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED**

***Good food, warm fellowship & activities for everyone.***

*So many good things happen around the table!  
Get together with your church family.*

**SERVING SUPPER:** 5:15-6:15 p.m. in the gym

**COST:** \$5 adults/youth over age 12 \$2.50 children age 2-12 under age 2 eat free

**December 11:** Pot roast, seasoned potatoes, green beans, spinach salad, dessert  
Children: Corn dogs, fries

**December 18:** Chef's Surprise

### **ACTIVITIES**

- **Children's Activities & Bible Verses** for a prize: 5:30-6:00 p.m., gym (age 3-5th grade)
- **Trackers! 3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Boys:** 6:00-6:45 p.m., DuBose 202
- **Children's Choirs – K4-5th Grade:** 4&5-year-olds: 6:15-6:45 p.m., 1st-5th grade: 6:00-6:45 p.m.
- **Synago Bible Studies for Youth (6th graders, too):** 6:00-7:00 p.m., Youth Zone
- **Child Care for Infants-5th Grade:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. 2-years-old & under, Knox 106; 3- to 5-years-old, DuBose 105; 1st to 5th graders, 6:45-7:30 p.m., DuBose 105
- **Second Helpings:** Most Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Player Hall. Simple ways to be of service. Relax and enjoy talking with other church members while you make a big difference! Children not in choir welcome. Contact Anne Cox, [acox@shandon-umc.org](mailto:acox@shandon-umc.org), for help.

*Wednesday Night Manna runs through May 7, with breaks on November 27, December 25, January 1 and April 16.*