

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

WHITE

April 10, 2016

11:00AM

"Saul asked, 'Who are you Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.'" --
John 20:31

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Bill Lee, Organist

Announcement

*Opening Hymn "Hymn of Promise" UMH #707

*Call To Worship "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" UMH #349
Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth
will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.

We Praise God

*Responsive Reading "Psalm 30:1-7" UMH #763

*Affirmation of Faith "Apostles' Creed" UMH #881

*Moments of Fellowship and Passing of the Peace

First Reading "Acts 9:1-7" Pew Bible, p.119 (N.T.)

Offering

The Offertory Bill Lee, Organist

*Doxology UMH#95

The Offertory Prayer

Children's Time

(Sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" as the children return to their pews or go to the nursery.
No Children's Church today.)

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Red and yellow, black and
white, they are precious in His sight, Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Christy Snow

Call to Prayer

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

TFWS#2193

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to
your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace. (once)

The Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Solo

"The Lord's Prayer"

Katie Stewart

We Hear God's Word

Second Reading

"John 21:1-19"

Pew Bible, p.109-110 (N.T.)

Sermon

"NOW, WHAT ARE WE GONNA Do?"

Rev. Cathy Joens

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

*Hymn of Dedication & Service

"O How, I Love Jesus"

UMH #170

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"O How I Love Jesus"

Congregation & Choir

O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

Postlude

*The Congregation standing. If it is uncomfortable for you to stand, please remain seated and continue your participation.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers are placed at the altar for the glory of God.

WELCOME: Good morning and welcome to all guests, members, youth and children worshipping with us today. We are glad that you decided to join us for worship! We hope you will experience the hope and love of Jesus Christ as we worship together. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of the Sharon family.

ON-GOING PRAYER-SHARON UMC FAMILY

Ben Brockman David & Gertrude Smith
Betty Jean Brockman June Gossett
Neely Thompson Howard Jackson
Doris Fowler Brian Harrison
Ruby Coggins Dora Edwards
Margaret DeYoung Dorothy McHugh

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Betty Glover
Frank & Ruby Vaughn
J. B. Waddell
Earl Johnson
Vivian Eubank

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Foye Fowler, White Oak Estates, 400 Webber Rd., Spartanburg, 20307 Joe Fowler's mother
Pat Lee Dot Pearson's sister-in-law
Sharon Lee Dot Pearson's sister
Mike West Joyce Lee's son
Lewis Sutton Laura Williams' father
Lorraine Sroko, 223 Abners Trail Rd., Greer, SC 29651 Kathy Jordan's mother
Glenn Gardner Donna Staton's brother
Sharon Ellis Kaitlyn Pless' aunt
Lisa Davis, 15 Crescent St., Lyman, SC 29365 Deb Fowler's sister
Gettis Solesbee Vera Brockman's brother

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Betty McGaha, Friend of the Floyd family
Holly Wood, Eddie Waldrep's coworker's wife
Steve, Jean, Jordan & Davis Dunlap, our missionaries to Asia Minor
Todd, Pam, Sidney, Ashley, Noah & Hannah Grace Attaway, our missionaries to Thailand
Rev. Ray Allison, friend of Vonda Hendrix

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NURSERY FOR OUR CHILDREN: Parents, we are so glad that you are our guest today. We have a nursery for our children. The nursery is for newborn to three years old, and is located on the main floor in the gathering space. If you need help with locating the nursery, please see one of our greeters in the narthex. We are so glad that your family came to worship with us today!

FOOD COLLECTIONS:

God's Pantry – Canned Vegetables
Weekend Backpack Ministry – INDIVIDUAL packets of grits and/or oatmeal, canned pasta
Greer Community Ministry – Plastic jars or cans of Spaghetti Sauce and noodles

BACKPACK MINISTRY: Our Backpack Ministry is in need of money for the purchase of food. Please consider making a gift to this worthy ministry.

UMW MEETING: The UMW will meet today, April 10 at 3:00PM in the Meeting House. Please make plans to attend.

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Malaysia. Malay kingdoms existed in the peninsula already in the 10th century. Islam arrived in the 14th century. The area was colonized successively by the Portuguese, the Dutch, and the British. The struggle for independence began after the Japanese occupation of World War II. The population is made up of Malay, Chinese, Indian, indigenous groups, and migrant workers from several parts of Asia. Islam (Sunni) is the official religion. Malaysia's policy is to maintain the ethnic and religious diversity in careful balance. The Catholic Church is the oldest and largest Christian church. The Anglicans are the largest protestant church, followed by the Methodist Church of Malaysia.

YOUTH NEWS: Please continue to join us for dinner on Wednesday at 6:30PM in BBB and Sunday School at 10:00AM. We look forward to having you join us.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: We will have Wednesday night activities this week. Bible study is lesson 10 from Luke: Journey Through The Bible on April 13th.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Please pray for our confirmation class who are away with Pastor Bryson this weekend on a retreat at Lake Junaluska.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY: Confirmation Sunday will be Sunday, April 17. We will have a covered dish meal after service to celebrate the commitment of our young people. Meats will be provided. Everyone is encouraged to bring side dishes, drinks and desserts.

GOD'S PANTRY: We will be packing food boxes on Tuesday, April 19. The bus will leave the Church at 9:00AM and should return around noon. The Pantry will distribute food every Monday from 4:00-6:00PM. If you would like to help with distribution come to the Brockman Center at 3:30 to assist. Come join in the fun.

SHARON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY: Don't miss your opportunity to enroll for Fall 2016. We are accepting registration for children ages 2,3 &4 on or before September 1. Contact Laura at sharonchristianacademy@gmail.com or come by the Church for a tour!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Mark your calendars! VBS is set for June 12-16. It is going to be great. Let Christy Snow know if you have any questions.

SPECIAL MUSIC EVENT: On April 16 at 7:00PM there will be a special music event here at Sharon. Please plan on attending.

BLOOD DRIVE: We are having a blood drive on April 17. You can sign up in the Gathering Space or in the Narthex. Please sign up to give the gift of life.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: On Saturday, May 7 we are having Spring Fling BBQ, Car and Bike Show, Corn Hole, Cake Walk, Bingo, Kick Ball day of fun. Please plan on attending this Church-wide Event.

WEBSITE: Check out our website sharonumchurch.com.

Our Mission Statement – Sharon United Methodist Church glorifies God as a friendly, caring, Christ-centered fellowship with strong family and spiritual values working to grow our church, our community, and our world one disciple at a time.

Sunday, April 17, 2016 Lectionary Texts

Acts 9:36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, APRIL 10	8:00AM	UMMen
	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
	3:00PM	UMW, Meeting House
MONDAY, APRIL 11	4:00-6:00PM	God's Pantry
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13	6:30-7:30PM	Wednesday Night Activities
	7:30PM	Choir Practice
SUNDAY, APRIL 17	9:00AM-12:00PM	Blood Drive
	Noon	Confirmation Lunch, Gym

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Myra Boland & Karen Waldrep
NURSERY WORKERS April 17: Gayle Fowler & Linette Garrett

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY: Christy Snow & Christine Sareault
CHILDREN'S CHURCH April 17: Christy Snow & Katy Lee

HEAD USHER: Gerald Snow
HEAD USHER April 17: Trudy Cox

Sunday, April 3, 2016

Sunday School:	80
Worship:	130
Offering :	\$5,903.00
Received YTD:	\$88,624.00
Needed YTD:	\$87,764.60
Difference:	+\$859.40
Needed Weekly:	\$6,268.90
Cemetery Fund (2/29/2016)	\$5,371.66
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Received	\$365.00
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Balance	\$78,368.26

CHURCH STAFF:

Rev. Bryson Williams, Jr., Pastor
Mary Jo Bradley, Secretary
Katie Stewart, Music Director
Clara Godfrey, Pianist
Bill Lee, Organist
Christy Snow, Children's Min. Director
Debra Fowler, Custodian
Kaitlyn Pless, Director of Student Ministries
Laura Williams, Preschool Director
Ministers: Sharon Congregation Member