

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.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6	9:30AM	Prayer Time
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
	6:30PM	Crossfire
MONDAY, AUGUST 7	4:00-6:00PM	Sharon Community Cupboard
	6:30PM	Family Ministries Mtg.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 8	6:00PM	UMW, Meeting House
	6:30PM	Nominating Committee Mtg.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9	7:30PM	Choir Practice

SERVANT MINISTRIES

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY	Pat Burgess & Carolyn Genobles
NURSERY WORKERS AUGUST 13	Gayle Fowler & Karen Landers
CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY	Communion
CHILDREN'S CHURCH AUGUST 13	Amy Blackwell & Linette Garrett
HEAD USHER TODAY	Eddie Bright
HEAD USHER AUGUST 13	Rick Christopher

Sunday, July 23, 2017

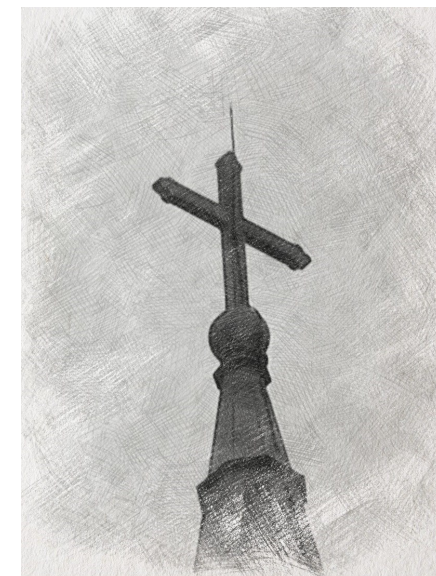
Sunday School	64
Worship	121
Offering	\$5,427.00
Received YTD	\$198,460.33
Needed YTD	\$197,748.38
Needed Weekly	\$6,378.98
Difference	+\$711.95
Cemetery Fund (6/30/2017)	\$2,166.96
Capital Imp. Received	\$40.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$88,899.22

LECTIONARY TEXTS

Sunday, August 13
Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33

CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Monday –Thursday	8am–12noon
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CHURCH STAFF:

Rev. Bryson Williams, Jr., Pastor

Mary Jo Bradley, Secretary

Katie Stewart, Music Director

Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Bill Lee, Organist

Amy Blackwell, Children's Co-Director

Kelle Waters, Children's Co-Director

Debra Fowler, Custodian

Grey Pennell, Director of Student Ministries

Laura Williams, Preschool Director

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 6, 2017

11:00AM

"So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.'"

-Genesis 32:30

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Announcements Rev. Bryson Williams

Reception of New Members UMH #38

***Call To Worship "Fill My Cup, Lord" UMH #641**

Fill my cup, Lord, I lift it up, Lord. Come and quench this thirsting of my soul. Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole.

***Opening Hymn "He Touched Me" UMH #367**

We Praise God

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

***Passing of the Peace**

Confession and Pardon UMH #12

Offering

The Offertory "Beulah Land" Ken Snow

***Doxology UMH#95**

***The Offertory Prayer**

Children's Message

Preacher Bryson

(Sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children return to their seats. Jesus Loves Me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

The Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Anthem

Kevin McCall

We Hear God's Word

Old Testament Reading

"Genesis 32:22-31"

Pew Bible, p.29 (O.T.)

Sermon

"Wrestling With God"

Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH #13

Together At The Table—

The Receiving of the Elements of Holy Communion.....Everyone is invited to the Lord's Table. The ushers will direct you forward.

Prayer after Communion

***Closing Hymn**

"Standing on the Promises"

UMH #374

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

"This Is The Day"

UMH #657

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

***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 in the church for the Glory of God and in memory of Leslie & Brenda Roper's 58th wedding anniversary by Leslie & Family.

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.

August 6, 2017

ON-GOING PRAYER-SHARON UMC FAMILY

Ben Brockman
Frank & Ruby Vaughn
Roie Johnson
Sharon Cole
Margaret DeYoung
Dorothy McHugh
Gregg Gowan
Pete O'Shields
Bill Lee
Gerald Snow
Angie Dalenta

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Kathy Young, wife of a friend of Leslie Roper
Heather Osegueda, friend of the SCA
Darrell Johnson, Bud & Gayle's nephew
Larry DeShields
Wynell Greer, Shirley Fowler's mother
Jackie Fowler, friend of Dot Pearson
Janice Gibson, friend of Dot Pearson
Sharon's Community Cupboard
Sharon Christian Academy

IN NURSING HOME/SHUT IN

Dora Edwards
Betty Jean Brockman
Ruby Coggins
Vivian Eubanks
June Gossett
Gertrude Smith
Betty Glover
J. B. Waddell

FOOD COLLECTIONS:

Sharon's Community Cupboard – Jelly, can beans, (chili, black eyed peas, mixed, great northern and navy beans), saltine crackers and can fruit (all kinds).

OUR MILITARY

Jonathan Houck
Erin Pennell

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Joann Waldrep	Eddie Waldrep's mother
Mike West	Joyce Lee's son
Mary & Bill Ruppe	Suzie Horn's mother & step-father
Christi Edwards	Dan & Ann Edwards' daughter-in-law
Jane Gates Dowis	Doris Wade's cousin
Arliss Richardson	Pat Burgess' sister
Shelby Hendrix	Jackie Floyd and Allen Sheriff's sister
Doug Edwards	Dan Edwards' cousin
John Kettles	Lidia Conwell's son's father-in-law
Jason Kracht	Kaitlyn Alexander's stepdad
Steve Farmer	Katy Lee's father
Melba Sue Brown	Leslie Roper's cousin

MISSIONARIES IN ACTION

Asia Minor - Steve, Jean, Jordan & Davis Dunlap
Thailand - Todd, Pam, Sidney, Ashley, Noah & Hannah Grace Attaway

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Cameroon. Today we pray for Cameroon. Many different ethnic groups lived in the area when the Portuguese arrived in the late 15th century and began a trade in ivory and slaves. At times Cameroon was a protectorate of Portugal, Germany, and England. In 1961, former French Cameroon and part of British Cameroon merged to become one country. The economy is dependent upon timber resources and agriculture. Cameroon holds a significant reserve of natural gas, which is relatively unexploited, and petroleum products constitute more than half of all exports. The majority of the people are farmers inhabiting small villages.

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!

Sharon Christian Academy: Registration for 2017-2018 school year is currently underway!! If you would like to register your child or know someone who does, please see Laura or come by the preschool office for a registration form or more information.

FAMILY MINISTRIES MTG: The Family Ministries Committee will meet Monday, August 7 at 6:30PM. All members of this committee please plan to attend.

TRIP TO HOLY LAND: We have a trip to the Holy Land scheduled for April 2-12, 2018. The trip will be led by Pastor Bryson.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: The UMW will meet on Tuesday, August 8 at 6:00PM in the Meeting House. All ladies of the UMW plan to attend.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

MEETING: The Nominating Committee will meet on August 8 at 6:30PM. All members plan to attend!

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: The Financial Statements for January—June are on the table in the Narthex. Please pick up yours today! If there are any corrections, please contact Mary Jo Bradley at the church office.

