

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 5, 2017

11:00AM

"No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

-Matthew 5:15-16

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Announcements Rev. Bryson Williams

*Call To Worship "Jesus Loves Me" UMH #191
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 love me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

*Opening Hymn "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" UMH #57

We Praise God

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

*Passing of the Peace

Confession and Pardon UMH #12

Offering

The Offertory Clara Godfrey, Pianist

*Doxology UMH#95

The Offertory Prayer

Children's Time Rev. Bryson Williams
(Sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" as the children ages 4, 5 and 1st grade go to children's church).
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.

The Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Bryson Williams

Anthem "You Are Mine" Choir

We Hear God's Word

Gospel Reading "Matthew 5:13-18" Pew Bible, p.4 (N.T.)

Sermon "Salt And Light" Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

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 (unison)

Faithful God, in baptism you have adopted us as Your children, made us members of the Body of Christ: we thank You that in this time of Holy Communion You renew Your promises within us, empower us by Your Spirit to witness and to serve, and send us out as disciples of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*Closing Hymn "This Little Light of Mine" UMH #585

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "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.

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 and in loving memory of Brenda S. Roper celebrating her first Heavenly Birthday. I love you and miss you every day.
With Love, Leslie

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.

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ON-GOING PRAYER-SHARON UMC FAMILY

Ben Brockman	Margaret DeYoung
Frank & Ruby Vaughn	Dorothy McHugh
Roie Johnson	David Snow
Sharon Cole	Eric Roper

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Joann Waldrep	Eddie Waldrep's mother
Mike West	Joyce Lee's son
Bill Ruppe	Suzie Horn's step-father
Eric Childress	Megan Childress's husband
Jonathan Houck, deployed to Iraq, grandson of Chuck & Debi Hembree	
Christi Edwards	Dan & Ann Edwards' daughter-in-law
Jeff Harlan	Neil Harlan's father
Jane Gates Dowis	Doris Wade's cousin

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Bill Burgess, friend of Dot Pearson
Doris Khoe, friend of Ruth Snow
Larry Yon, father of Matt Yon
Cooper Cheshire, son of Brad & Christy Cheshire, friend of Amy Blackwell
Sharon's Community Cupboard, our food pantry

MISSIONARIES IN ACTION

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

MEMORIALS: Memorials for Bill Brockman by Gregg & Martha Gowan, and Gerald & Ruth Snow.
Memorials for Earl Johnson by Gregg & Martha Gowan and Johnny & Doris Wade.
Memorials for Harold Pearson by Gregg & Martha Gowan, David & Madeleine Snow, Allan, Gayle & Karl Fowler and Gerald & Ruth Snow.

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:

Sharon's Community Cupboard – Dried beans, crackers and spaghetti noodles
Backpack Ministry – Can Tuna or chicken, applesauce, fruit cups and Drinks (Hugs).

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Morocco. The original inhabitants of Morocco are the Berbers, who have lived there for more than 3000 years. Today, approximately three-quarters of the citizens of Morocco are ethnically Berber. Islam came to the country at the end of the seventh century and is the state religion. More than half the population of Morocco is illiterate, and approximately 20 percent live in dire poverty. There is a small Christian minority in Morocco.

50+: PLEASE NOTE: The 50+ will be going to Silver Bay in Simpsonville on Tuesday, February 7, 2017. Please meet at the church at 5:45PM or meet at Silver Bay at 6:30. We had to change the place to eat since Mutt's was not going to be open that day.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: Wednesday night activities for Children and Adult Bible Study at 6:30 and Choir Practice at 7:30. See you there.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Bible Study this Wednesday, February 8. We will be studying *Half Truths* by Adam Hamilton. This week we will study Chapter 3.

YOUTH NEWS: Crossfire is in full bloom right now and meets every Sunday at 630 in the youth room above the gym. All are invited and feel free to bring a friend. WINTERJAM is coming up on February 17, the concert is \$10 and we will ride in together Friday evening. See Grey for more info!!!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: The children's ministry is planning a visit to some of our wonderful members who can't currently make it to church on Sunday, February 12 after worship service. Lunch will be provided before our visit. Hope you can all make it, we would love to have a bus full! Any questions, please see Kelle or Amy.

UMMEN: The UMM will meet on February 12, 2017 at 8:00AM for breakfast and fellowship. Please plan to attend!

Sharon's Community Cupboard: The Sharon Community Cupboard will continue to distribute food the first and third 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.

SIGN-UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2017: The 2017 flower calendar is located outside the church office today. Please select your special date(s) for the coming year. The cost for the altar flowers is around \$65.00 depending on flower selection.

Sharon Christian Academy: Registration for 2017-2018 school year for current families and church members will begin on Monday, January 30. Registration opens to the public on Wednesday, Feb 1. Please see Laura for a registration form or more information.

TRIP TO HOLY LAND: We have to cancel our 2017 trip to the Holy Land. The trip will be rescheduled for the spring of 2018.

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, February 12, 2017 Lectionary Texts

Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Psalm 119:1-8, 1 Corinthians 3:1-9, Matthew 5:21-37

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
	6:30PM	Crossfire
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6	4:00-6:00PM	Sharon's Community Cupboard
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7	6:30PM	50+
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 8	6:30-7:30PM	Wednesday Night Activities
	7:30PM	Choir Practice

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Pat Burgess & Carolyn Genobles
NURSERY WORKERS February 12: Myra Boland & Karen Landers

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY: Communion
CHILDREN'S CHURCH February 12: Kelle Waters & Harold Lee

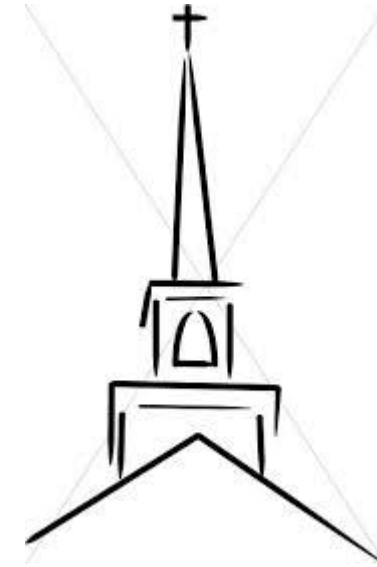
HEAD USHER: Jeff Boland
HEAD USHER February 12: Eddie Bright

Sunday, January 29, 2016:

Sunday School	
Worship	122
Offering	\$6,663.00
Received YTD	\$33,245.00
Needed YTD	\$31,894.90
Needed Weekly	\$6,378.98
Difference	+\$1,350.10
Cemetery Fund (12/31/2016)	\$3,680.96
Capital Imp. Received	\$67.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$95,144.94

SHARON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY (SCA) STAFF:

Lisa Welch, Bailey Cox and Laura Williams – 2K
Melissa Farmer and Stephanie Wykel – 3K and 4K
Kay Bright – Music



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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