

## THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

<b>SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4</b>	<b>9:30AM</b>	<b>Prayer Time</b>
	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>11:00AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>Noon</b>	<b>Souper Bowl Lunch</b>
	<b>1:00PM</b>	<b>Disciples Bible Study, Seekers Class</b>
	<b>6:30PM</b>	<b>CrossFire</b>
<b>MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5</b>	<b>4-6PM</b>	<b>Sharon Community Cupboard</b>
	<b>6:30PM</b>	<b>Interval Training</b>
<b>TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>	<b>50+, Covered Dish</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7</b>	<b>10:30AM</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>6:30PM</b>	<b>Wed. Night Activities</b>
	<b>7:30PM</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10</b>	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>Interval Training</b>
<b>SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>UMMEN</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14</b>	<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Ser., Ebenezer UMC</b>

### Sunday, Jan. 28, 2017

Sunday School	81
Worship	113
Offering	\$6,154.00
Received YTD	\$23,543.00
Needed YTD	\$26,997.08
Needed Weekly	\$6,749.27
Difference	-\$3,454.08
Cemetery Fund (12/31/2017)	\$2,352.96
Capital Imp. Received	\$177.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$90,995.89

### SERVANT MINISTRIES

Nursery Workers Today	Pat Burgess & Carolyn Genobles
Nursery Workers Feb. 11	Ann Edwards & Gayle Fowler
Children's Church Today	Communion
Children's Church Feb. 11	Amy Blackwell & Linette Garrett
Head Usher Today	Rick Christopher
Head Usher Feb. 11	Eddie Bright

### LECTIONARY TEXTS

Sunday, February 11
2 Kings 2:1-12
Psalm 50:1-6
2 Corinthians 4:3-6
Mark 9:2-9

### SCA Staff

Kay Bright	Bailey Cox
Melissa Farmer	Lisa Welch
Laura Williams	Stephanie Wykel



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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*

**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.**

**5th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

**February 4, 2018**

**11:00AM**

**"He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons."**

**--Mark 1:29-39**

**We Gather To Worship God**

**Prelude**

**Bill Lee, Organist**

**Announcements**

**Rev. Bryson Williams**

**\*Call To Worship**

**"Spirit of the Living God"**

**UMH #393**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh with me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

**"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

**UMH #526**

**We Praise God**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**"Apostles' Creed"**

**UMH #881**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Confession and Pardon**

**UMH #12**

**Offering**

**The Offertory**

**Bill Lee, Organist**

**\*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**

**Rev. Bryson Williams**

**Anthem**

**"Spirit Of God"**

**Choir**

**We Hear God's Word**

**Gospel Reading**

**"Mark 1: 29-39"**

**Pew Bible, p.33(N.T.)**

**Sermon**

**"Proclaim The Message"**

**Rev. Bryson Williams**

**We Go Forth To Serve God In The Worship**

**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**

**"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"**

**(v. 1-5) UMH #314**

**\*Benediction**

**Rev. Bryson Williams**

**\*Benediction Response**

**"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"**

**(v.1) TFWS #2151**

**I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me, singing glory, hallelujah, Jesus lifted 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 in the church for the Glory of God and in loving memory of Brenda Roper by Leslie Roper & 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.**

**ON-GOING PRAYER-SHARON UMC FAMILY**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2018**

Ben Brockman  
Frank & Ruby Vaughn  
Roie Johnson  
Margaret DeYoung  
Dorothy McHugh  
Gregg Gowan  
Family of Pete O'Shields  
Gerald & Ruth Snow  
Dot DeYoung  
Dot Pearson  
**IN NURSING HOME/SHUT IN**  
Dora Edwards  
Betty Jean Brockman  
Ruby Coggins  
Vivian Eubanks  
June Gossett  
J. B. Waddell

**ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS**

Amanda Newton  
Wirron Leonard, friend of Johnny Wade  
Sharon Community Cupboard  
Sharon Christian Academy

**OUR MILITARY**

Erin Pennell  
Jonathan Houck, Chuck and Debi Hembree's grandson  
Jamie Matekaitis, Rob & Amy Lancaster's son-in-law

**FOOD COLLECTIONS:**

*Sharon's Community Cupboard –  
Can fruit (all kinds), soup, peanut butter and **JELLY***

**ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES**

Mike West	Joyce Lee's son
Shelby Hendrix	Jackie Floyd and Allen Sheriff's sister
Steve Farmer	Katy Lee's father
Dottie Currin	Brian Harrison's sister
Mary & Bill Ruppe	Suzie Horn's mother & step-father
Cash Richards	Grandson of Andrea Payne and Great Grandson of Nancy Morgan
Kay Ford	Ken DeYoung's sister
Barry Davis	Deb Fowler's brother-in-law

**MISSIONARIES IN ACTION**

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

**MEMORIALS**

Larry Yon by Rufus & Carolyn Genobles  
JoAnn Waldrep by Gary & Sherry Brockman, Dot McHugh, Larry & Pam Parham, Pat & Phyllis Brockman, Rufus & Carolyn Genobles, Rick & Denise Belcher, Vera Brockman  
Pete O'Shields by Jo Ellen Brockman, Bud & Dot DeYoung, Ken & Darlene DeYoung, Gary & Sherry Brockman, Dot McHugh, Larry & Pam Parham, Pat & Phyllis Brockman, Allan, Gayle & Karl Fowler, Scott & Angie Davis, Jackie Floyd, Ginger Floyd, Rick & Denise Belcher, Vera Brockman

**MISSION PRAYER FOCUS:** This week we pray for Portugal. Portugal emerged as a unified kingdom in the 12th century. Portugal became a major maritime power in the 15th century, opening new sea-ways to the east and the west, and built a vast colonial empire. For a long time, the Catholic Church enjoyed the privilege of concordat between the Vatican and the Portuguese state. The tiny Presbyterian, Methodist, and Anglican churches grew out of 19th century missionary work, and form together the Council of Christian Churches.

**"CALIFORNIA DREAMING":** The 50+ invites you to join them for an evening of Laughter, Fun and Fellowship on Sunday, February 18th for the 3:00PM performance followed by supper at Cracker Barrel. This is a production put on by the Mill Town Players in Pelzer, SC. We will meet at the church at 1:15 and leave at 1:30PM. Church bus will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Gathering Space with more information. **Deadline to sign up is TODAY!**

**JESUS IS THE GIFT:** This year we collected for Epworth Children's Home with a goal of \$15,000.00. We are pleased to report to date \$26,641.75 has been given. Our intention is to purchase everything on Epworth's Campus Wish List. On February 18 we are going to present these gifts to Epworth in a special worship service. If you would still like to contribute, you may do so. Place your offering in the collection plate and mark Epworth.

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY:** Today, we will have a Souper Lunch. Everyone is welcome to stay for good soup and fellowship.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE:** On Wednesday, February 14 at 7:00PM, we will have our Ash Wednesday Service at Ebenezer UMC at 174 Ebenezer Rd., Greer. Please plan on attending this worship service as we begin the time of Lent.

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**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!

**FLOWER CALENDAR:** The flower calendar for 2018 is on the wall outside the church office. Please sign up for flowers in memory or in honor of your love ones.

**CONFIRMATION:** We are going to have a confirmation class this spring. Class will begin with a joint student/parent meeting on Sunday, February 4 at 10:00AM in the youth Sunday School Room. Any questions, see Pastor Bryson or Grey.

**SHARON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY:** 2018-2019 registration is currently underway. If you or someone you know would like to register a child, contact the preschool office at 864-879-1763 or see Laura for a form. We have a few spots open for the remainder of this school year. Contact us if you are interested.

**THANK YOU:** Dear Church Family, Thank you for the love and many kind deeds you have shown the O'Shields Family during Pete's illness and death. Continue to remember us in your prayers. God Bless all of you! With love, Nancy & Family