

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPANY

GREEN

January 17, 2016

11:00AM

"Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him."
--John 2:11

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship "Spirit of the Living God"
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on 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.

We Praise God

*Opening Hymn "Fill My Cup, Lord" UMH #641

*Responsive Reading "Psalm 36" UMH #771

*Apostles' Creed UMH #881

*Moments of Fellowship and Passing of the Peace

New Testament Reading "1 Corinthians 12:1-11" Pew Bible, p.163 (N.T.)

Offering

The Offertory Clara Godfrey, Pianist

*Doxology UMH#95

The Offertory Prayer

Children's Time Christy Snow
(Sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" as the children ages 4, 5 & 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.

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 Rev. Bryson Williams

Anthem "Shine Jesus Shine" Choir

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading "John 2:1-11" Pew Bible, p. 87 (N.T.)

The Good News "Miracles" Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

*Hymn of Dedication & Service "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH #400

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" Congregation & Choir
Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face. And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of the 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.

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
Gregg Gowan
Vivian Eubanks
Brenda Roper

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
Preston Johnson Dan Edwards' cousin
Lisa Davis, 15 Crescent St., Lyman, SC 29365 Deb Fowler's sister
James Hendrix, 102 Bearden Drive, Duncan, SC 29334 Jackie Floyd's brother-in-law

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Bob Wade, relative of Johnny Wade
Kim Turner, Bible Baptist Church Pastor's Wife
Gene Crane, Atlanta, GA., friend of Pat Burgess
The Greer Family, son and daughter of Wilma Greer
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

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS: A memorial was given in memory of Olivia Davis by Gregg & Martha Gowan, Jannett Eason, Johnny & Doris Wade, Dot McHugh, Larry & Pam Parham, Gerald & Ruth Snow, Eddie & Jean Smiley, Jack & Sarah Outen, Edith Chou, The family of Kenneth and Bernice Bennett.

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!

CANNED GOODS AND NON-PERISHABLES: We thank you for your generosity in December. For the month of January, we are collecting dried beans and rice, canned meats, macaroni & cheese and Jiffy cornbread mix for God's Pantry and individual grits, individual cereal boxes and individual packets of oatmeal for the Weekend Backpack Ministry. Please place items in the gray boxes located in the narthex and gathering space.

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Cyprus. Cyprus is an independent republic since 1960. There have been and are currently strong tensions between Greek and Turkish Cypriots. The Church of Cyprus is the majority church. There is an Armenian Apostolic Church which is part of the Holy See of Cilicia. The Anglican community belongs to the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East. Latin and Maronite Catholic churches, and several small Protestant and Pentecostal churches are also present in Cyprus.

YOUTH NEWS: The Sharon UMC Youth will travel to Columbia again this year to the Revolution Conference on January 29, 30 and 31. We will spend the night Friday and Saturday and be home Sunday afternoon. We had a great time last year and look forward to this year as well. We also need 1 or 2 adult chaperones as well. If you have any questions, please let me know. Kaitlyn Pless

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: We will resume Wednesday night activities on January 20. Bible Study books for adults are available in the gathering space.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Confirmation begins on January 24 promptly at 10:00AM. Bring your Bibles. Confirmation is for students in 6th grade and up who have not completed the class previously.

JESUS IS THE GIFT: We are still collecting donations for Jesus is the Gift until the end of January. Jesus is the Gift is an offering for our Imagine No Malaria campaign.

GOD'S PANTRY: We will be packing food boxes on Monday, January 25. 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.

SOUPER BOWL: On February 7, immediately after Church, we will celebrate with a Souper meal. Please bring your favorite soup, chili, chowder, stew and cornbread. Crackers, Desserts and Beverages will be provided. We will take up an offering for God's Pantry #4. Look forward to seeing you there for food and fellowship.

SIGN-UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2016: The 2016 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: Our new preschool, ages 2-4 years, will begin classes in September of 2016. If you are interested in a teaching or teaching assistant position, please send your resume to Laura Williams at sharonchristianacademy@gmail.com. If you are interested in your child or grandchild attending, we will begin enrolling soon. Don't miss your opportunity to be a part of this exciting ministry at Sharon UMC!!! Please continue to pray for our preschool!

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, January 24, 2016 Lectionary Texts

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
MONDAY, JANUARY 8		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
	4:00-6:00PM	God's Pantry
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20	6:30-7:30PM	Wednesday night activities for all ages
	7:30PM	Choir Practice

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Jannett Eason & Dot DeYoung
NURSERY WORKERS Jan. 24: Kay Bright & Linette Garrett

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY: Christy Kurtz & Kelle Waters
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Jan. 24: Sarah Boland & Scott Davis

HEAD USHER: Trudy Cox

Sunday, January 10, 2016

Sunday School:	74
Worship:	160
Offering :	\$5,937.00
Received YTD:	\$11,357.00
Needed YTD:	\$12,537.80
Difference:	-\$1,180.80
Needed Weekly:	\$6,268.90
Cemetery Fund (12/31/2015)	\$5,279.66
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Received	\$342.00
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Balance	\$71,720.26

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

Ministers: Sharon Congregation Member