

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

January 20, 2019

11:00AM

"The wine steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.'" — John 2:10

**We Gather To Worship God**

- Prelude** Victoria Fowler, Pianist
- Announcements** Rev. Bryson Williams
- \*Call To Worship** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (v.1) UMH #89  
Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!
- \*Opening Hymn** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" UMH #103  
**We Praise God**
- \*Responsive Reading** "Psalm 36:5-10" UMH #771
- \*Affirmation from Timothy** UMH #889
- \*Passing of the Peace**
- Offering**
- The Offertory** Victoria Fowler, Pianist
- \*Doxology** UMH #95
- \*Prayer after offering** Rev. Bryson Williams

**Children's Message** Amy Blackwell  
(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 Gods Word**

**Gospel Reading** "John 2:1-12" Pew Bible, p.87(N.T.)

**Sermon** "The Abundance of Jesus" Rev. Bryson Williams

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

- \*Closing Hymn** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" UMH #140
- \*Benediction** Rev. Bryson Williams
- \*Benediction Response** "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" (refrain) UMH #717  
Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching on.
- \*Postlude**

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

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**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers are placed in the church for the Glory of God and in honor of Al & Beverly Cureton's 65th wedding anniversary by Bill and Lisa Cureton.

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THE WEEK AT A GLANCE		
<b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 20</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>6:30PM</b>	<b>CrossFire</b>
<b>MONDAY, JANUARY 21</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>Stretching and Walking</b>
	<b>4-6PM</b>	<b>Sharon's Community Cupboard</b>
<b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 22</b>	<b>6:30PM</b>	<b>Interval Training</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23</b>	<b>6:30-7:30PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Night Activities</b>
	<b>7:30PM</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>THURSDAY, JANUARY 24</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>Stretch &amp; Walking in Gym</b>
	<b>6:30PM</b>	<b>Interval Training</b>
<b>SATURDAY, JANUARY 26</b>	<b>8:30AM</b>	<b>Interval Training</b>

Sunday, JAN. 13, 2019	
Sunday School	65
Worship	107
Offering	\$6,359.00
Received YTD	\$15,982.00
Needed YTD	\$13,737.04
Needed Weekly	\$6,868.52
Difference	+\$2,244.96
Cemetery Fund (12/31/2018)	\$2,865.94
Capital Imp. Received	\$1,025.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$103,881.89

SCA Staff	
Kay Bright	Bailey Cox
Melissa Farmer	Katie Reckart
Lisa Welch	Stephanie Wykel

LECTIONARY TEXTS
Sunday, JANUARY 27
Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10 - Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 12:12-31a - Luke 4:14-21

SERVANT MINISTRIES	
Nursery Workers Today	Sarah Boland & Angie Davis
Nursery Workers January 27	Karen Landers & Karen Waldrep
Children's Church Today	Kelle Waters & Sarah Sosebee
Children's Church January 27	Amy Blackwell & Katy Lee
Head Usher Today	Jeff Boland
Head Usher January 27	Rick Christopher



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### ***CHURCH STAFF:***

*Rev. Bryson Williams, Jr., Pastor*

*Mary Jo Bradley, Secretary*

*Katie Reckart, Music Director*

*Victoria Fowler, 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.**

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

Ben Brockman  
Frank & Ruby Vaughn  
Roie Johnson  
Margaret DeYoung  
Dorothy McHugh  
Gregg Gowan  
Gerald & Ruth Snow  
Phyllis Brockman  
Beverly Cureton

**SHUT IN**

Dora Edwards  
June Gossett  
J. B. Waddell

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

Jackie Keith, friend of Leslie Roper  
Sandy Colter, friend of Janett Eason  
Earl Neely, friend of Ron King  
Mitch Mabee, friend of Clara Godfrey  
Kelli Cardoso, friend of Jackie & Ginger Floyd  
Family of Doris Lewis, Linette Garrett's  
co-worker's mom  
David Huffman, friend of Jerry & Angela Dalenta  
Sharon Community Cupboard  
Sharon Christian Academy

**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
Mary & Bill Ruppe	Suzie Horn's mother & step-father
Sharon Lee	Dot Pearson's sister
David Rowland	Debi Hembree's brother
Winnie Huffmaster	Laura Floyd's mother
Bryan Sutton	Laura Williams' uncle

**MISSIONARIES IN ACTION**

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

**MEMORIALS**

*Memorials for Eric Wade by Lucinda Watson*

**OUR MILITARY**

Erin Pennell  
Jonathan Houck  
Jamie Matekaitis

**FOOD COLLECTIONS:**

*Sharon's Community Cupboard*

Ramen noodles (packs)  
Saltine crackers  
Individual packs of Oatmeal  
and Grits

**MISSION PRAYER FOCUS:** This week we pray for Turkey. Turkey consists of a small territory in SE Europe with the larger part of the country in the Middle East. The Turks, who were Muslims, arrived in the area in the 11th century and gradually conquered the Byzantine Empire. Turkey is a secular state, with Islam as the majority religion. The Christians, mainly Orthodox, who were several million at the beginning of the 20th century, are today only a small minority. The Ecumenical Patriarchate, the primary spiritual leader of the Eastern Orthodox churches, has its see in Istanbul. The Armenians and the Syrian Orthodox, who used to live in the east and south-east of Turkey, are now mostly concentrated in Istanbul, or have emigrated. Although religious freedom is guaranteed by the constitution, the churches experience restrictions.

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING:** Sharon United Methodist Church will be participating in tackling hunger. Please join us on Sunday, February 3rd, after worship, for a soup luncheon. Please bring your favorite soup, cornbread or dessert to share. Crackers will be provided. This year we will be collecting the following items: Individual packets of instant grits and oatmeal, 1lb. Bags of rice (only 1 lb. bags please) and any monetary gift you may want to donate. Last year Sharon UMC raised \$115.00 and 112lbs of rice and beans. It would be a huge blessing to double that this year. All donations go to Sharon's Community Cupboard.

**UMM ANNUAL FUNDRAISER:** The annual United Methodist Men's Valentine Dinner will be February 9, 2019 at 6:00PM. Tickets are \$12.50 each. See a UMM member to purchase tickets. Dinner is for everyone—couples or singles. Please purchase tickets by Sunday, February 2, so a final attendance number will be known.

**2018 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** are available on the desk in the gathering space. Please pick up your statement so we can save money on postage.

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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!

**INTERVAL TRAINING:** Our Interval training classes are available on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30pm and Saturday mornings at 8:30am. The cost is \$5 per class. All Saturday classes are FREE for the month of January. Ability levels are beginners through expert. Remember to bring a yoga mat and water!

**JESUS IS THE GIFT:** We are still collecting for Jesus Is The Gift. This is a great opportunity to put Jesus on your Christmas list. Everything collected will go to Epworth Children's Home. For more information about Epworth, go to [epworthchildrenshome.org](http://epworthchildrenshome.org).

**BACKGROUND CHECKS:** As part of our Safe Sanctuary Policy, it is time to run background checks. We will run these checks on everyone who works with children, youth and vulnerable adults. If you currently work or would like to work in any of these areas. Your form is on the desk in the gathering space. Please return the form to the Church office. The goal is to make our church as safe as possible for everyone.