

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28	9:30AM	Prayer Time
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
	6:30PM	Disciples Bible Study, Seekers Class
	6:30PM	CrossFire
MONDAY, JANUARY 29	6:30PM	Interval Training
WEDNESDY, JANUARY 31	10:30AM	Bible Study
	6:30PM	Wed. Night Activities
	7:30PM	Choir Practice
SATURDAY, FEBRYART 3	9:00AM	Interval Training
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4	9:30AM	Prayer Time
	10:00AM	SS
	11:00AM	Worship
	Noon	Souper Lunch
	6:30AM	Disciples Bible Study, Seeker Class

Sunday, Jan. 21, 2017

Sunday School	70
Worship	132
Offering	\$5,772.00
Received YTD	\$17,389.00
Needed YTD	\$20,247.81
Needed Weekly	\$6,749.27
Difference	-\$2,858.81
Cemetery Fund (12/31/2017)	\$2,352.96
Capital Imp. Received	\$140.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$90,818.89

SERVANT MINISTRIES

Nursery Workers Today	Dot DeYoung & Jannett Eason
Nursery Workers Feb. 4	Pat Burgess & Carolyn Genobles
Children's Church Today	Kelle Waters & Katy Lee
Children's Church Feb. 4	Communion
Head Usher Today	Jeff Boland
Head Usher Feb. 4	Rick Christopher

LECTIONARY TEXTS

Sunday, February 4
Isaiah 40:21-31
Psalm 147:1-11
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39

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.

4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 28, 2018

11:00AM

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another."

--John 13:34

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude

Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Announcements

Rev. Bryson Williams

***Call To Worship**

"I Love You, Lord"

TFWS #2068

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you, O my soul rejoice. Take joy, my King in what you hear, may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

***Opening Hymn**

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

UMH #334

We Praise God

***Affirmation of Faith**

"Apostles' Creed"

UMH #881

***Passing of the Peace**

Offering

The Offertory

Clara Godfrey, Pianist

***Doxology**

UMH#95

***The Offertory Prayer**

Children's Message

Kelle Waters

**(Sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children ages 4,5 & 1st grade go to children's church.)
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

"Yesu Kwetu ni Rafiki"

Choir

We Hear God's Word

Gospel Reading

"John 13:31-36"

Pew Bible, p.102(N.T.)

Sermon

"How Deep Is Your Love?"

Katie Stewart

We Go Forth To Serve God In The Worship

***Closing Hymn**

"In The Garden"

UMH #314

***Benediction**

Katie Stewart

***Benediction Response**

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

(v.1) TFWS #2129

I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus no turning back, no turning back.

***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 Dona Burgess Harrison by Brian Harrison and Pat Burgess.

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

JANUARY 28, 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

Doris Snow by Scott & Angie Davis, Gerald & Ruth Snow
Gertrude Smith by Larry & Pam Parham, Al & Myra Boland, Dot McHugh, Scott & Angie Davis, Bud & Dot DeYoung, Ken & Darlene DeYoung, Jannett Eason, Pat & Phyllis Brockman, Gerald & Ruth Snow, Pat Burgess
Larry Yon by Dot McHugh, Ken & Darlene DeYoung, Pat Burgess, Larry & Pam Parham
JoAnn Waldrep by Al & Myra Boland, Allan, Gayle & Karl Fowler, Pat Burgess
Pete O'Shields by Rufus & Carolyn Genobles, Pat Burgess

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.

"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 Sunday, February 4th

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: Next Sunday, February 4th we will have a Souper Lunch. Please bring your favorite soup to share and a bag of Dried Beans or Rice that will go to Sharon Community Cupboard. If you don't want to make a soup and you don't want to shop for dried goods, we will be taking monetary donations.

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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.

EXERCISE CLASS : Interval Training on Saturdays at 9:00AM and Mondays at 6:30PM. \$5.00 per class.

CROSSFIRE: The CrossFire Youth and Pastor Bryson are attending Revolution this year in Columbia. There will be music, speakers, and mission opportunities over the course of the weekend. Please pray for our youth and leaders as they travel.