

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 3, 2016

11:00AM

"May the peoples praise you, God; May all the peoples praise you! May the nations be glad and rejoice; for you judge the peoples with fairness, you guide the nations upon the earth."

--Psalm 67:4-5

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude	Clara Godfrey, Pianist
Announcements	Rev. Bryson Williams
*Call To Worship	"Our God Is An Awesome" TFWS #2040
	Our God is an awesome God; he reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power, and love. Our God is an awesome God.
*Opening Hymn	"America" UMH #697
	<u>We Praise God</u>
*Responsive Reading	"Psalm 67" UMH #791
*Affirmation	"A Modern Affirmation" UMH #885
*Passing of the Peace	
Offering	
The Offertory	Clara Godfrey, Pianist
*Doxology	UMH#95
The Offertory Prayer	
Anthem	VBS Singers

Children's Time

Christy Snow

(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.

Call to Prayer

"Lord, Listen to your Children Praying"

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 and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Bryson Williams

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

"1 Peter 2:9; Psalm 67:4-5" Pew Bible, p. 219 (N.T.); p. 500 (O.T.)

Sermon

"Thoughts On America"

Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

*Hymn of Dedication & Service

"America the Beautiful"

UMH #696

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Congregation & Choir

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

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 memory of Andrew McHugh by The 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

Ben Brockman	David & Gertrude Smith
Betty Jean Brockman	June Gossett
Neely Thompson	Howard Jackson
Dollie Brady	Brian Harrison
Ruby Coggins	Dora Edwards
Margaret DeYoung	Dorothy McHugh
Vivian Eubanks	Roie Johnson

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Betty Glover
Frank & Ruby Vaughn
J. B. Waddell
Linette Garrett
Sharon Cole
Ruth Snow

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Pat Lee
Sharon Lee
Mike West
Lewis Sutton
Glenn Gardner
Sharon Ellis
Lisa Davis, 15 Crescent St., Lyman, SC 29365
Gettis Solesbee
Jason Davenport

Dot Pearson's sister-in-law
Dot Pearson's sister
Joyce Lee's son
Laura Williams' father
Donna Staton's brother
Kaitlyn Pless' aunt
Deb Fowler's sister
Vera Brockman's brother
Clara Godfrey's son-in-law

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Holly Wood, Eddie Waldrep's coworker's wife
Sandra Gowan, friend of Darlene DeYoung
Cheryl Brown, friend of Jerry & Angie Dalenta
Buddy & Angelee Berry, friends of Nancy O'Shields and Pat Burgess
Jerry Whitehead, friend of Johnny Wade
Kay Hammett, Larry Bradley's sister
Robbie Strange, friend of Christy Kurtz
Steve, Jean, Jordan & Davis Dunlap, our missionaries to Asia Minor
Todd, Pam, Sidney, Ashley, Noah & Hannah Grace Attaway, our missionaries to Thailand
God's Pantry

MEMORIALS: A donation to the building fund in memory of Foye Fowler by Steve, Shannon and Stone Hill.

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:

God's Pantry – Canned Vegetables
Weekend Backpack Ministry – **INDIVIDUAL** packets of grits and/or oatmeal, canned pasta
Greer Community Ministry – **Plastic** jars or cans of Spaghetti Sauce and noodles

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for our Nation: The United States of America. This country is founded on Judeo-Christian ideals and seeks to be "One Nation Under God". We should all pray daily for our Country. May we pray for peace and for wisdom for our leaders. Pray for all of the Women and Men of the Armed Services. Let us all pray for a revival in our Churches.

YOUTH NEWS: On July 6 the youth will meet at the church at 9:00AM to go to a movie (Minions or The Peanuts Movie) at 10:00AM and lunch and play at Dave and Busters. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please text or call Kaitlyn at 864-378-5961. Also, if any parents would like to chaperone that would be great. Join us for Sunday School at 10:00AM.

GOD'S PANTRY: Due to food supply issues with God's Pantry Corporate Office, we are going to have to make a couple of changes to our food distribution schedule. The Sharon Pantry will distribute food from 4:00-6:00PM on the following Mondays: July 11 and July 25. If you would like to help with distribution come to the Brockman Center at 3:30 to assist. Come join in the fun.

SHARON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY: Thank you for all the generous donations for our preschool!! We have been able to purchase so many wonderful educational items. We have also been gifted a beautiful table and chairs for one of our home centers. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!! You are all such a blessing and we are so appreciative of your support. We are still enrolling for the Fall of 2016. Contact Laura at sharonchristianacademy@gmail.com or come by the Church for a tour!

RED, WHITE AND BLUE CELEBRATION: Please join us for the Red, White and Blue wagon parade right after 11:00AM church service today in the gym. BBQ dinner will be provided. Please bring your favorite dessert to share. Don't forget your decorated wagon, bike, trike or scooter. Please see Christy Snow for Parade information.

SHARON UMC INFORMATION SHEET: We are in the process of updating the church membership and would like everyone to fill out a new information sheet. If you have filled out one before, we still need for you to fill out a new one. The sheets are on the table in the gathering space. After you have filled it out, please return to the church office. You can drop it in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. Church address is P.O. Box 418, Reidville, SC 29375. Thank you for your cooperation.

FLOWERS: If anyone is interested in placing flowers in the church during worship, there are several opportunities remaining this year. The sign-up list is located on the wall by the door to the church office if anyone is interested.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: The church office will be closed on Monday, July 4 in celebration of Independence Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, July 5.

THANK YOU: I would like to thank my family and friends here at Sharon church for the phone calls, text, cards and dinners that were served during my time of recovery from surgery. I am truly blessed to have such a great Church family. Thank you and love you all! Dollie Brady

WEBSITE: Check out our website sharonumchurch.com.

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, July 10, 2016 Lectionary Texts

Amos 7:70-17 Psalm 82 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, JULY 3	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
	Noon	Red, White & Blue Celebration
MONDAY, July 4	HAPPY 4TH OF JULY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6	9:00AM	Youth, Movie and Lunch
	7:00PM	Choir Practice

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Pat Burgess & Carolyn Genobles
NURSERY WORKERS July 10: Kay Bright & Linette Garrett

CHILDREN’S CHURCH TODAY: Christy Snow & Kelle Waters
CHILDREN’S CHURCH July 10: Christy Snow & Christine Sareault

HEAD USHER: Jeff Boland
HEAD USHER July 10: Gene Snow

Sunday, June 26, 2016:

Sunday School	71
Worship	133
Offering	5,916.00
Received YTD	170,638.50
Needed YTD	162,991.40
Difference	+7,647.10
Needed Weekly	6,268.90
Cemetery Fund (5/31/2016)	4,584.66
Capital Imp. Fund Received	965.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	83,097.26

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 Alexander, Director of Student Ministries
Laura Williams, Preschool Director
Ministers: Sharon Congregation Members