

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

WHITE

March 13, 2016

11:00AM

"Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights." -- Exodus 24:18

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude "Pachabel's Canon" 'Noa Tobin

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 "This Little Light of Mine" UMH#585

*Responsive Reading "Psalm 126:1-6" UMH#847

*Apostles Creed UMH#881

*Gospel Reading "John 12:1-3" Pew Bible, p.100 (N.T.)

*Moments of Fellowship and Passing of the Peace

Offering

The Offertory "Ode to Joy" 'Noa Tobin and Lia Tobin

*Doxology UMH#95

The Offertory Prayer

Children's Time

(Sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" as the children ages 4, 5 and first 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.

Christy Snow

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

"The Power Of The Cross"

Choir

We Hear God's Word

Old Testament Reading

"Exodus 24:15-18"

Pew Bible, p.68 (O.T.)

Sermon

"Presence of God"

Rev. Bryson Williams

Sacrament of Baptism

UMH#33

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

*Hymn of Dedication & Service

"It Is Well With My Soul"

UMH #377

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Awesome God"

Congregation & Choir

Our God is an awesome God; he reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power, and love. Our God is an awesome God!

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 honor of Kaitlyn Pless for her upcoming wedding by her friends of the church.

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

March 13, 2016

Ben Brockman
Betty Jean Brockman
Neely Thompson
Doris Fowler
Ruby Coggins
Margaret DeYoung
Music, Children, and Youth Ministries

David & Gertrude Smith
June Gossett
Howard Jackson
Brian Harrison
Dora Edwards
Dorothy McHugh

Betty Glover
Frank & Ruby Vaughn
J. B. Waddell
Allan Fowler
Vivian Eubanks
Gerald Snow

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Foye Fowler, White Oak Estates, 400 Webber Rd., Spartanburg, 29307

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 Abner Trail Rd., Greer, 29651

Kathy Jordan's mother

Glenn Gardner

Donna Staton's brother

Sharon Ellis

Kaitlyn Pless' aunt

Lisa Davis, 15 Crescent St., Lyman, 2965

Deb Fowler's sister

Joann Wadlrep

Eddie Waldrep's mother

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Bob Wade, relative of Johnny Wade

Gene Crane, Atlanta, GA., friend of Pat Burgess

Beverly Mason, friend of Pat Burgess

Gary Conley, friend of Pat Burgess

Betty McGaha, friend of the Floyd family

Holly Wood, Eddie Waldrep's coworker's wife

Steve, Jean, Jordan & Davis Dunlap, our missionaries to Asia Minor

Todd, Pam, Disney, Ashley, Noah & Hannah Grace Attaway, our missionaries to Thailand

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 nurseries, 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 February. For the month of March, we are collecting dried beans and rice, canned meats, macaroni & cheese and Jiffy cornbread mix for God's Pantry and individual cereal boxes and cereal bars for the Weekend Backpack Ministry. Please place items in the gray boxes located in the narthex and gathering space.

EASTER LILIES DEADLINE: This is the last Sunday to order your Easter lilies in honor or in memory of someone. Please fill out the insert and drop it in the offering plate.

BACKPACK MINISTRY: Our Backpack Ministry is in need of money for the purchase of food. Please consider making a gift to this worthy ministry.

Mission Prayer Focus: This week we are praying for China. China is the country of Giana Tobin's origin. Christianity has existed in China since at least the 7th century. Christianity has begun to expand in China in recent years. The World Council of Churches estimates there at least 26 million Christians in China with 60,000 congregations. Some estimate there may be as many as 100-200 million Christians in China. Please pray for Christians in China who work to spread the word of God.

YOUTH NEWS: Please continue to join us for dinner on Wednesday at 6:30PM in BBB and Sunday School at 10:00AM. We look forward to having you join us.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: We continue Wednesday night activities this week. Bible study is lesson 8 from Luke: Journey Through The Bible.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Confirmation continues every Sunday promptly at 10:00AM. Bring your Bibles. Please pray for our confirmation class.

CHILDREN'S EASTER EGG HUNT: All children and their parents are invited to join us on Saturday, March 27, from 10:00 AM till Noon at the Ben Brockman Building (gym) for children's activities and an egg hunt. Friends are welcome and encouraged to attend. We hope to see you there!

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, March 20, 2016 Lectionary Texts

Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14-23

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 13	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	10:00AM	Confirmation Class
	11:00AM	Worship
	3:00PM	UMW, Meeting House
MONDAY, MARCH 14	4:00-6:00PM	God's Pantry
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1	6:30-7:30PM	Wednesday Night Activities for all ages
	7:30PM	Choir Practice
SATURDAY, MARCH 19	10AM-Noon	Easter Eggstravaganza
SUNDAY, MARCH 20	4:20PM	Children's Ministry Meeting, Seekers SS Class

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Angie Davis & Linette Garrett
NURSERY WORKERS March 20: Jannett Eason & Dot DeYoung

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY: Christy Snow & Harold Lee
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HEAD USHER: Trudy Cox

Sunday, March 6, 2016

Sunday School:	71	<i>CHURCH STAFF:</i>
Worship:	131	<i>Rev. Bryson Williams, Jr., Pastor</i>
Offering :	\$8,844.00	<i>Mary Jo Bradley, Secretary</i>
Received YTD:	\$63,130.00	<i>Katie Stewart, Music Director</i>
Needed YTD:	\$62,689.00	<i>Clara Godfrey, Pianist</i>
Difference:	+\$441.00	<i>Bill Lee, Organist</i>
Needed Weekly:	\$6,268.90	<i>Christy Snow, Children's Min. Director</i>
Cemetery Fund (1/29/2016)	\$5,350.66	<i>Debra Fowler, Custodian</i>
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Received	\$345.00	<i>Kaitlyn Pless, Director of Student Ministries</i>
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Balance	\$76,085.26	<i>Laura Williams, Preschool Director</i>
		<i>Ministers: Sharon Congregation Member</i>