

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

RED

March 20, 2016

11:00AM

"He said to them, 'Then give to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.'" -- Luke 20:25

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Announcements

Opening Prayer

New Testament Reading "Mark 11:1-10" Pew Bible, p.44,45 (N.T.)

*Opening Hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" UMH #280

*Call to Worship "This Is The Day"
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

We Praise God

*Responsive Reading "Psalm 118:21-2" UMH #840

*Apostles Creed UMH #881

*Moments of Fellowship and Passing of the Peace

Offering

The Offertory Clara Godfrey, Pianist

*Doxology UMH#95

The Offertory Prayer

Children's Time

(Sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" as the children return to their pews or go to the nursery. No Children's Church today.)

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

"Glory In The Cross"

Choir

We Hear God's Word

Gospel Reading

"Luke 20:20-26"

Pew Bible, p. 79 (N.T.)

Sermon

"Give Me Jesus"

Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

*Hymn of Dedication & Service

"What Wondrous Love is This"

UMH #292

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"O How I Love Jesus"

Congregation & Choir

O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

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
Allan Fowler
Vivian Eubank (Manning Place)
Gerald Snow

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Foye Fowler, White Oak Estates, 400 Webber Rd., Spartanburg, 20307
Pat Lee
Sharon Lee
Mike West
Lewis Sutton
Lorraine Sroko, 223 Abners Trail Rd., Greer, SC 29651
Glenn Gardner
Sharon Ellis
Lisa Davis, 15 Crescent St., Lyman, SC 29365
Joann Waldrep

Joe Fowler's mother
Dot Pearson's sister-in-law
Dot Pearson's sister
Joyce Lee's son
Laura Williams' father
Kathy Jordan's mother
Donna Staton's brother
Kaitlyn Pless' aunt
Deb Fowler's sister
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
Rev. Gerald Burnett, friend of Martha Ann Bennett
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, Sidney, Ashley, Noah & Hannah Grace Attaway, our missionaries to Thailand

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS:

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 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.

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Myanmar. The name of the country was changed in 1989 from Union of Burma to Myanmar. The country became sovereign in 1948. Despite protests the military have kept tight control of the country. The population of Myanmar is made up of many different ethnic groups. Myanmar's economy is based on agriculture, gems, timber and oil. The majority of the population are poor peasants and workers. Catholic missionaries entered the area in the 16th century and Protestant missions began in the 19th century. Numerous churches are active and growing.

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 9 from Luke: Journey Through The Bible.

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

GOD'S PANTRY: We will be packing food boxes on Monday, March 21. 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.

SHARON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY: Sharon Christian Academy is currently enrolling for the fall. Sharonumchurch.com has more information or you may contact Laura at sharonchristianacademy@gmail.com. We have begun transforming our classrooms upstairs. Come check us out!! Please continue to pray for our program, staff and children!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Mark your calendars! VBS is set for June 12-16. It is going to be great. Let Christy Snow know if you have any questions.

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

BLOOD DRIVE: We are having a blood drive on April 17. You can sign up in the Gathering Space or in the Narthex. Please sign up to give the gift of life.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 23

7:00PM Service of Communion

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 27

8:00AM Sunrise Service of Light
9:00AM Family Breakfast Sponsored by UMM
10:00AM Sunday School
11:00AM Worship Service

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 27, 2016 Lectionary Texts

Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 John 20:1-18

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 20	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	10:00AM	Confirmation Class
	11:00AM	Worship
	4:30PM	Children’s Ministry Meeting, Seekers SS
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MONDAY, MARCH 21	9:00AM	Pack boxes at God’s Pantry, Corporate
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23		NO Wednesday Night Activities
	7:30PM	Choir Practice
THURSDAY, MARCH 24	7:00PM	Maundy Thursday Service
SUNDAY, MARCH 27	8:00AM	Sunrise Service
	9:00AM	Breakfast
	10:00AM	Sunday School & Confirmation Class
	11:00AM	Worship

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Dot DeYoung & Jannett Eason
NURSERY WORKERS March 27: Kay Bright & Gayle Fowler

CHILDREN’S CHURCH TODAY: Christy Snow & April Brunson
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HEAD USHER: Jeff Boland

Sunday, March 13, 2016

Sunday School:	75
Worship:	142
Offering :	\$4,443.00
Received YTD:	\$67,573.00
Needed YTD:	\$68,957.90
Difference:	-\$1,384.90
Needed Weekly:	\$6,268.90
Cemetery Fund (2/29/2016)	\$5,371.66
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Received	\$286.50
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Balance	\$76,371.76

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
Laura Williams, Preschool Director
Ministers: Sharon Congregation Member