

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 10, 2019

11:00AM

**"Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished."
—Luke 4:1-2**

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude **Bill Lee, Organist**

Announcements **Rev. Bryson Williams**

***Call To Worship** **"Seek Ye First"** **(v.1) UMH #405**
Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

***Opening Hymn** **"Take Time to Be Holy"** **UMH #395**

We Praise God

***Affirmation of Faith** **"Apostles' Creed"** **UMH #881**

***Responsive Reading** **"Psalm 91:1-13"** **UMH #810**

***Passing of the Peace**

Offering

The Offertory **Bill Lee, Organist**

***Doxology** **UMH #95**

***Prayer after offering** **Rev. Bryson Williams**

Children's Message **Kelle Waters**
(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 **"Shine, Jesus, Shine"** **Choir**

We Hear Gods Word

Gospel Reading **"Luke 4:1-13"** **Pew Bible, p.57(N.T.)**

Sermon **"Temptation"** **Rev. Bryson Williams**

We Go Forth To Serve God In The Worship

***Closing Hymn** **"Wonderful Words of Life"** **UMH #600**

***Benediction** **Rev. Bryson Williams**

***Benediction Response** **"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"** **UMH #349**
Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.

***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 honor of Stephanie Jones' birthday by her mother, Jannett Eason.

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.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, MARCH 10	8:00AM	UMM, BBBIldg.
	9:30AM	Prayer Time
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	10:00AM	Confirmation Class, Gym
	11:00AM	Worship
	Noon	Church Council Mtg., Seekers SS Class
	3:30PM	Ark Encounter Mtg.
	6:30PM	CrossFire & Parents
MONDAY, MARCH 11	10:00AM	Stretch & Walking in BBBIldg.
TUESDAY, MARCH 12	6:00PM	UMW, Meeting House
	6:30PM	Interval Training
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13	6:30PM	Wednesday Bible Study
	7:30PM	Choir Practice
THURSDAY, MARCH 14	10:00AM	Stretch & Walking in BBBIldg.
	6:30PM	Interval Training
SATURDAY, MARCH 16	8:30AM	Interval Training
	6:00PM	Movie Night

Sunday, MARCH 3, 2019

Sunday School	60
Worship	121
Offering	\$8,339.00
Received YTD	\$57,869.00
Needed YTD	\$61,816.68
Needed Weekly	\$6,868.52
Difference	-\$3,947.68
Cemetery Fund (1/31/2019)	\$2,957.94
Capital Imp. Received	\$1,125.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$104,521.89

LECTIONARY TEXTS

Sunday, March 17
Genesis 15:1-12,17-18 - Psalm 27
Philippians 3:17-4:1 - Luke 13:31-35

SERVANT MINISTRIES

Nursery Workers Today	Ann Edwards & Suzie Horn
Nursery Workers March 17	Karen Landers & Linette Garrett
Children's Church Today	Amy Blackwell & Sarah Sosebee
Children's Church March 17	Kelle Waters & Sarah Boland
Head Usher Today	Rick Christopher
Head Usher March 17	Eddie Bright



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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.

PRAYER LIST - MARCH 10, 2019		
Ben Brockman	Frank & Ruby Vaughn	Roie Johnson
Margaret DeYoung	Dorothy McHugh	Gregg Gowan
Gerald & Ruth Snow	Phyllis Brockman	Beverly Cureton
Johnny & Doris Wade	Vera Brockman	Sharon Community Cupboard
Dora Edwards	June Gossett	Sharon Christian Academy
J. B. Waddell		

PRAYER LIST - FAMILY AND FRIENDS	
Mel Meyers	Martha Swift's relative
Mary & Bill Ruppe	Suzie Horn's mother & step-father
Earl Neely	friend of Ron King
Kelli Cardoso	friend of Jackie & Ginger Floyd
David Huffman	friend of Jerry & Angela Dalenta
Kay Hammett	Larry Bradley's sister
Mike West	Joyce Lee's son
Glenn Greer	friend of Scott Davis
Sharon Lee	Dot Pearson's sister
Dianne & Charles Babb	Chip Babb's parents

OUR MILITARY
Erin Pennell
Jonathan Houck
Jamie Matekaitis

NEEDS OF SHARON'S COMMUNITY CUPBOARD
Ramen noodles (packs)
Saltine crackers
Canned English Peas

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

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

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Sweden. Sweden is the largest of the Nordic countries. During the 19th century it was a poor, agricultural country from where many migrated to North America. Industrial development came in the 20th century and Sweden has become a prosperous nation with one of the most advanced welfare systems in the world. Sweden was Christianized in the 12th century and embraced the Lutheran Reformation in the 16th century. The Lutheran Church is the majority church. There is a Methodist community which belongs to the United Methodist Church.

CROSSFIRE PARENTS: We will have a parent's meeting today from 6:30-7:30PM in the youth room to talk about plans for the future of CrossFire. Current parents and parents of soon-to-be youth are invited to attend. Look forward to seeing you there!

ARK ENCOUNTER & CREATION MUSEUM TRIP: Sharon UMC is going to the Ark Encounter & Creation Museum. The date is still unknown at this time. If you would like to go or learn more about the trip, there is a sign-up sheet in the gathering space. There will be an informational meeting today at 3:30PM. This event is open to friends and family of Sharon UMC.

MOVIE NIGHT: Movie night will be on Saturday, March 16th in the gym. Hot dogs, popcorn and drinks will be provided. Movie will start around 6:00PM and everyone is welcome. Movie selection will be a surprise and, of course, family friendly. Bring your chairs and join us for this event!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School, June 16-20.

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. Ability levels are beginners through expert. Remember to bring a yoga mat and water!

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.

SHARON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 2019-2020: It is time to begin registration for our next school year. If you have a child who will be 2, 3, or 4 on or before September 1, 2019, we have a spot for you! Come by the preschool office to register.

CAR SHOW: The 4th Annual Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, May 11th. As always, we will need volunteers to help set up and tear down. Also, if you would like to donate cookies or cupcakes for the cakewalk and to go with lunch plates, please sign up on the volunteer list as well. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering space. Any questions, please see Christy Kurtz. Thanks