

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 15, 2016

11:00AM

"And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit."

--Acts 2:2-4

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude

Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Announcements

*Call To Worship

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

UMH #334

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

*Opening Hymn

"Spirit Song"

UMH #347

We Praise God

* Responsive Reading

"Psalm 104:1-9"

UMH #826

*Affirmation from Timothy

UMH #889

*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 ages 4,5 and 1st grade go in Children's Church or to the nursery).

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

"Spirit of the Living God"

UMH #393

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.

The Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Bryson Williams

Anthem

"Then Came The Morning"

Kay Bright

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

"Acts 2:1-21"

Pew Bible, p.111 (N.T.)

Sermon

"Are You Pentecostal?"

Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

*Hymn of Dedication & Service

"My Hope is Built"

UMH #367

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Congregation & Choir

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 at the altar for the glory of God and in memory of Agnes Edwards by Dan and Ann Edwards.

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
Vivian Eubanks Roie Johnson

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Betty Glover
Frank & Ruby Vaughn
J. B. Waddell
Earl Johnson
Sharon Cole
Dollie Brady
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
Gettis Solesbee
Jason Davenport

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
Vera Brockman's brother
Clara Godfrey's son-in-law

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Betty McGaha, Friend of the Floyd family
Holly Wood, Eddie Waldrep's coworker's wife
Sandra Gowan, friend of Darlene DeYoung
Cheryl Brown, friend of Jerry & Angie Dalenta
Steve, Jean, Jordan & Davis Dunlap, our missionaries to Asia Minor
Todd, Pam, Sidney, Ashley, Noah & Hannah Grace Attaway, our missionaries to Thailand
Rev. Ray Allison, friend of Vonda Hendrix

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

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.

WEBSITE: Check out our website sharonumchurch.com.

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Uganda. Uganda was a British protectorate from 1888 onwards. It recovered its independence in 1962. From 1966 to 1986, the country suffered coups and dictatorial regimes, the worst of which was Idi Amin's rule which was brought to an end in 1979. Hundreds of thousands of Ugandans were killed, among them Anglican Archbishop Luwum, and the economy was wrecked. Uganda has regained political stability. The country has been involved in the conflicts in neighbouring east Congo, supporting some of the rebel factions, and in southern Sudan. Uganda's economy is based on agriculture. The country has fertile soils and considerable natural resources. Christianity came to Uganda in the 19th century. The two largest churches, Catholic and Anglican. Uganda is one of the leading countries in Africa in the struggle against HIV/AIDS.

YOUTH NEWS: Join us for Sunday School at 10:00AM. We look forward to having you join us.

GOD'S PANTRY: We will be packing food boxes on Tuesday, May 17. 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: Don't miss your opportunity to enroll for Fall 2016. We are accepting registration for children ages 2,3 &4 on or before September 1. Contact Laura at sharonchristianacademy@gmail.com or come by the Church for a tour!

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.

GRADUATION SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2016: On Sunday, June 5, 2016 we plan to honor all High School and College Graduates ranging from December 2015 – May 2016. If you or your loved one has graduated or plans to graduate, please turn in their full name, where they are graduating from and future plans to the church office or Kaitlyn Alexander by Sunday, May 22, 2016. We look forward to having you and your families join us as we celebrate this special time in your graduate's life. If you have any questions, please call 864-378-5961.

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. After you have filled them 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.

ADDITIONS TO MOTHER'S DAY BULLETIN:

IN HONOR OF: Christy Kurtz by Chris Kurtz
Kathy McKenzie by Chris & Christy Kurtz
Stella Kurtz by Chris & Christy Kurtz
Brenda Danforth by Christ & Christy Kurtz
IN MEMORY OF: Essie Eubanks by Jimmy & Jean Eubanks & Family
Mildred Pearson by Jimmy & Jean Eubanks & Family

Sunday, May 22, 2016 Lectionary Texts
Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, MAY 15	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
MONDAY, MAY 16	4:30PM	Children's Ministry Mtg., Seekers SS
	11:30AM	Disciples' Lunch
	4:00-6:00PM	God's Pantry
WEDNESDAY, May 18	7:30PM	Choir Practice

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Myra Boland & Karen Waldrep
NURSERY WORKERS May 22: Gayle Fowler & Dot DeYoung

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY: Christy Snow & Chris Kurtz
CHILDREN'S CHURCH May 22: Christy Snow & Harold Lee

HEAD USHER: Gerald Snow
HEAD USHER May 22: Trudy Cox

Sunday, May 1, 2016:

Sunday School	66	<u>CHURCH STAFF:</u>
Worship	110	<i>Rev. Bryson Williams, Jr., Pastor</i>
Offering	5,579.00	<i>Mary Jo Bradley, Secretary</i>
Received YTD	115,898.00	<i>Katie Stewart, Music Director</i>
Needed YTD	112,840.20	<i>Clara Godfrey, Pianist</i>
Difference	+3,057.80	<i>Bill Lee, Organist</i>
Needed Weekly	6,268.90	<i>Christy Snow, Children's Min. Director</i>
Cemetery Fund (4/30/2016)	4,588.66	<i>Debra Fowler, Custodian</i>
Capital Imp. Fund Received	70.00	<i>Kaitlyn Alexander, Director of Student Ministries</i>
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	79,743.26	<i>Laura Williams, Preschool Director</i>
		<i>Ministers: Sharon Congregation Member</i>

Sunday, May 8, 2016:

Sunday School	62
Worship	133
Offering	7,395.30
Received YTD	123,293.30
Needed YTD	119,109.10
Difference	+4,184.20
Needed Weekly	6,268.90
Cemetery Fund (4/30/2016)	4,588.66
Capital Imp. Fund Received	128.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	79,871.26