

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.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE		
SUNDAY, MAY 7	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
	6:30PM	Crossfire
TUESDAY, MAY 9	6:30PM	UMW, home of Nancy Morgan
WEDNESDAY, MAY 10	6:30PM	Wednesday Night Activities
	7:30PM	Choir Practice

SERVANT MINISTRIES	
NURSERY WORKERS TODAY	Pat Burgess & Carolyn Genobles
NURSERY WORKERS May 14	Gayle Fowler & Karen Landers
CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY	Kelle Waters & Lisa Cureton
CHILDREN'S CHURCH May 14	Amy Blackwell & Harold Lee
HEAD USHER TODAY	Jeff Boland
HEAD USHER May 14	Eddie Bright

Sunday, April 30, 2017	
Sunday School	69
Worship	123
Offering	\$5,611.00
Received YTD	\$118,973.00
Needed YTD	\$114,821.64
Needed Weekly	\$6,378.98
Difference	+\$4,151.36
Cemetery Fund (3/31/2017)	\$3,793.96
Capital Imp. Received	\$149.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$100,827.94

LECTIONARY TEXTS
Sunday, May 14
Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10
John 14:1-14



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CHURCH STAFF:

Rev. Bryson Williams, Jr., Pastor

Mary Jo Bradley, Secretary

Katie Stewart, Music Director

Clara Godfrey, 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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 7, 2017

11:00AM

"But the Lord said to me, 'Do not say I am only a boy; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.'"

--Jeremiah 1:7

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Bill Lee, Organist

Announcements Katie Stewart

* Call To Worship "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.

*Opening Hymn "He Leadeth Me" UMH #128

We Praise God

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

*Passing of the Peace

First Reading "Exodus 3:1-14, 4:1-5" Pew Bible, p.48-49(O.T.)

Offering

The Offertory Bill Lee, Organist

*Doxology UMH#95

*The Offertory Prayer

Children's Time

Amy Blackwell

(Sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" as the children ages 4, 5 and 1st grade go to children 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

*Hymn of Preparation "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" UMH #127

We Hear God's Word

Second Reading "Jeremiah 1:4-10, 17-19" Pew Bible, p.656(O.T.)

Message "Make No Mistakes" Katie Stewart

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

Hymn Request Time

*Closing Hymn "Victory In Jesus" UMH #370

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "Oh How I Love Jesus" UMH #170

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 and in honor of Scott Davis' birthday by Angie, Lauren and Hayes.

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.

May 7, 2017

ON-GOING PRAYER-SHARON UMC FAMILY

Ben Brockman
Frank & Ruby Vaughn

Roie Johnson
Sharon Cole
Margaret DeYoung
Dorothy McHugh
Gregg Gowan

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Bill Burgess, friend of Dot Pearson
Billy Tucker, friend of Leslie Roper
Heather Osegueda, friend of the SCA
Darrell Johnson, Bud & Gayle's nephew
Andy Wright, neighbor of Eddie & Karen
Sharon's Community Cupboard
Sharon Christian Academy

IN NURSING HOME/SHUT IN

Dora Edwards
Betty Jean Brockman
Vivian Eubanks
June Gossett
Gertrude Smith
Betty Glover
J. B. Waddell
Ruby Coggins

FOOD COLLECTIONS:

Sharon's Community Cupboard – Peanut Butter, Jelly, can pinto or great northern beans, pasta sauce, and can soup.

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Joann Waldrep	Eddie Waldrep's mother
Mike West	Joyce Lee's son
Mary & Bill Ruppe	Suzie Horn's mother & step-father
Christi Edwards	Dan & Ann Edwards' daughter-in-law
Jeff Harlan	Neil Harlan's father
Jane Gates Dowis	Doris Wade's cousin
Arliss Richardson	Pat Burgess' sister
Barry Davis	Deb Fowler's brother-in-law

MISSIONARIES IN ACTION

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

UNITED METHODIST MEN: There will be a Mother's Day breakfast next Sunday, May 14, at 8:30AM. All the ladies are invited to attend this special time to honor the ladies of the church.

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Sri Lanka. Today we pray for Sri Lanka, the Sinhalese arrived in the island in the 6th century BC, from northern India. Buddhism was introduced a few centuries later, and became the main religion. Tamils, also from India, established themselves on the northern and eastern parts of the island. The Sinhalese constitute 74 percent of the population, the Tamils 10 percent. Since 1983, the country has suffered a violent civil war between the Tamil Liberation movement and the government. The majority of the population is poor and depends on subsistence farming. The Catholic Church is the oldest and largest church. Methodism came in the 19th century. Christians are a minority in Sri Lanka.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: Wednesday night activities for Children and Adult Bible Study at 6:30 and Choir Practice at 7:30. See you there.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: This Wednesday we continue our Bible Study. We will be studying Chapter 3 this week. Everyone is welcome. Books are available in the Gathering Space.

50+: We are planning a road trip to Pelzer, SC to see "Smoke on the Mountain" on Sunday, May 21. This is open to the entire church. Sign up sheet is on the table in the Gathering Space. See Rob or Amy Lancaster for more details.

SALKEHATCHIE: Salkehatchie will be in Clover, July 15-22. Anyone (adult and /or youth) 14 and older are invited. Bring a friend if you would like. Information is on the table in the Gathering Space. See or contact Kaitlyn Alexander at 8864-378-8561 for more information.

MOTHER'S DAY BULLETIN: Deadline for the Mother's Day bulletin is **TODAY!**

Sharon Christian Academy: Registration for 2017-2018 school year is currently underway!! If you would like to register your child or know someone who does, please see Laura or come by the preschool office for a registration form or more information.

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!

SPRING FLING CAR & BIKE SHOW: will be on Saturday, May 20, 2017. Car and bike show registration will be from 10:00-12:00. Entry fee is \$20.00, spectators are free! Trophies and door prizes will be awarded at 1:30PM. Cake walk will begin at 12 noon and continue until all cakes are won. There will be a bounce house. \$5.00 BBQ plates will be available 11:30AM until gone.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION: Please let us know about our High School and College graduates. Contact the church office or Grey Pennell and let us know their full name, school, degree and future plans. Graduate recognition will be Sunday, June 4th.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Annual Conference is being held in Greenville this year. Anyone interested in volunteering can go to the UMC Greenville District website: greenvilleumcsc.org to sign up or for information.

MOTHER'S DAY EPWORTH OFFERING: On Sunday, May 14, we will have our annual Mother's Day offering for Epworth Children's Home. Find more information about Epworth at epworth-childrenshome.org.