

25th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GREEN
November 15, 2015

11:00AM

"And she said, 'Let your servant find favor in your sight.' Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer."

--1 Samuel 1:18

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship "You Are My All in All"

Verse 1: You are my strength when I am weak, You are the treasure that I seek; You are my all in all. Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up, I'd be a fool; You are my all in all.

Refrain: Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name!

Verse 2: Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, Rising again I bless Your name; You are my all in all. When I fall down, You pick me up; When I am dry, You fill my cup; You are my all in all. (refrain)

We Praise God

*Opening Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (v.1,2&3) #139

*Responsive Reading "Psalm 113" UMH #834

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

*Moments of Fellowship and Passing of the Peace

Gospel Reading "Mark 13:1-8" Pew Bible, p.47 (N.T.)

Offering

The Offertory Clara Godfrey, Pianist

*Doxology UMH #95

The Offertory Prayer

Children's Time Christy Snow

(Sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" as the children return to their seats.)

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" 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. (sing twice)

The Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer Rev. Bryson Williams

Anthem "The Trees Of The Field" Choir

We Hear God's Word

Old Testament Reading "1 Samuel 1:4-20" Pew Bible, p.233-234 (O.T.)

The Good News "Pouring Out My Soul" Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

*Hymn of Dedication & Service "Rock of Ages" #361

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "As We Go" Congregation & Choir

As we go may your Spirit go before me. As we go may we follow where you lead. May we live what we have learned share the message we have heard, and be a light unto the world as we go.

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 Happy Birthday Haleigh, Katie, and Addie. We love you to the moon and back. Love, Mommy and Daddy.

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

November 15, 2015

Ben Brockman	David & Gertrude Smith	Betty Glover
Betty Jean Brockman	June Gossett	Frank & Ruby Vaughn
Neely Thompson	Howard Jackson	J. B. Waddell
Doris Fowler	Brian Harrison	Gregg Gowan
Ruby Coggins	Dora Edwards	Chuck Hembree(home)
Leslie Roper	Margaret DeYoung	Dorothy McHugh

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Foye Fowler, White Oak Estates, 400 Webber Rd., Spartanburg, 20307	Joe Fowler's mother
Nancy Lee & Pat Lee	Dot Pearson's sisters-in-law
Sharon Lee	Dot Pearson's sister
Mike West	Joyce Lee's son
Lewis Sutton	Laura Williams' father
Lorraine Sroko, 223 Abners Trail Rd., Greer, SC 29651	Kathy Jordan's mother
Glenn Gardner	Donna Staton's brother
Sharon Ellis	Kaitlyn Pless' aunt
Preston Johnson	Dan Edwards' cousin
Bobby DeYoung	Ken DeYoung's brother
Lisa Davis, 15 Crescent St., Lyman, SC 29365	Deb Fowler's sister
Karson Hendrix	Kelsey Hendrix's son

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Donna Davis Hyleman, friend of Deb Fowler
Bob Wade, relative of Johnny Wade
Kim Turner, Bible Baptist Church Pastor's Wife
Ethel Cooper, Eddie & Karen Waldrep's neighbor
Gene Crane, Atlanta, GA., friend of Pat Burgess
Daniel Houck, friend of Dave Wilmer
Steve, Jean, Jordan & Davis Dunlap, our missionaries to Asia Minor
Todd, Pam, Sidney, 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 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 October. For the month of November, we are collecting canned fruit and canned vegetables for God's Pantry and pudding cups, jello cups and canned pasta 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 Cameroon. Cameroon is composed of many different ethnic groups. The economy is dependent upon timber resources and agriculture. Cameroon holds a significant reserve of natural gas, which is relatively unexploited, and petroleum products constitute more than half of all exports. The majority of the people are farmers inhabiting small villages in southern and central Cameroon. Many of the northern people were semi-nomadic herders. Christianity in Cameroon is closely linked with the colonial history of the country. Yaoundé, the capital, has two important institutions for the Protestant churches in West Africa: a theological faculty, and a Centre for Christian Literature (CLE).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 6:30 Children, Youth, and Adult Bible Study, 7:30 Choir.

BIBLE STUDY: This week we continue with Chapter 2 of *Not A Silent Night* by Adam Hamilton. This five week study looks at the birth of Jesus through Mary's eyes. Please consider joining us for this Advent study.

SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Tonight, we will continue our Disciple Bible Study, Lesson 9. Class begins promptly at 6:30.

UNITED METHODIST VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION (UMVIM): UMVIM will host an ERT Training class at Advent UMC in Simpsonville on Saturday, November 21st, at 9:30AM. The cost is \$35, which includes a \$20 manual. Everyone who wishes to participate in the flood recovery is required to have training before they can be part of an ERT team. You can register by calling Advent UMC at 864-288-8217.

WEBSITE: Our church website, sharonumchurch.com has been relaunched. If you would like to put something on the site, send the information in an email to sharonumcwebsite@gmail.com. Go check out the site!

THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY SERVICE: On November 22 at 6:00PM we will have a Thanksgiving worship service. The service will be with Sharon and four other United Methodist congregations in the community. The service will be held at Liberty Hill UMC. Preaching this year will be, Rev. Dr. George Howle, our District Superintendent.

PRESCHOOL: Church Council voted to open a Preschool at Sharon UMC. The plan is to open the school September 2016. This is an exciting opportunity for our Church and for the Community. **PLEASE BE IN PRAYER AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH OUR PRESCHOOL.**

YOUTH NEWS: Continue to join us on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings. Kaitlyn Pless

CONFIRMATION PARENTS: The Confirmation Parents will meet on December 6 at 10:00AM in the Historical Room.

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP: On December 24 we will have two Christmas Eve candlelight worship opportunities. The worship times will be 5:00PM and 9:00PM. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend one of these services.

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, November 22, 2015 Lectionary Texts

2 Samuel 1:23:1-7 Psalm 132 Revelation 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16	9:00AM	Pack boxes at God's Pantry, Corporate
	11:30AM	Disciples Lunch, Ryan's, Dorman Ctr.
	4:00-6:00PM	God's Pantry
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18	6:30-7:30PM	Wednesday Night activities for all ages
	7:30PM	Choir Rehearsal
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21	9:00AM	Pack Thanksgiving Boxes

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

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY: Christy Snow & Chris Kurtz
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Nov. 22: Sarah Boland & Christy Kurtz

Hospitality Team for the month of November 2015: Gerald Snow, Jeff & Sarah Boland, Greg Gowan, Brian Harrison, Joe Fowler.

Sunday, November 8, 2015

Sunday School:	74
Worship:	128
Offering :	\$5,287.69
Received YTD:	\$271,135.06
Needed YTD:	\$268,233.75
Difference:	+\$2,901.31
Needed Weekly:	\$5,960.75
Cemetery Fund (9/30/15)	\$3,606.66
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Received	\$683.00
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Balance	\$67,103.47

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

Ministries: Sharon Congregation Member