

24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WHITE

November 8, 2015

11:00AM

"For then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself."
--Hebrews 9:26

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 "The Lily of the Valley" TFWS #2062

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

*Moments of Fellowship and Passing of the Peace

Reception of New Members UMH #38

Invitation, Confession and Pardon UMH #12

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 "In Remembrance Of Me" Choir

We Hear God's Word

New Testament Reading "Hebrews 9:24-28" Pew Bible, p.210 (N.T.)

The Good News "To Remove Sin" Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

Together At The Table—

The Receiving of the Elements of Holy Communion.....Everyone is invited to the Lord's Table. The ushers will direct you forward.

Prayer After Communion (unison)

Faithful God, in baptism you have adopted us as Your children, made us members of the Body of Christ: we thank You that in this time of Holy Communion You renew Your promises within us, empower us by Your Spirit to witness and to serve, and send us out as disciples of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn of Dedication & Service "I'm So Glad" TFWS#2151

*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 in memory of Rev. Charles Davis by Olivia Davis & Family.

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
Betty Jean Brockman
Neely Thompson
Doris Fowler
Ruby Coggins
Leslie Roper

David & Gertrude Smith
June Gossett
Howard Jackson
Brian Harrison
Dora Edwards
Margaret DeYoung

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Betty Glover
Frank & Ruby Vaughn
J. B. Waddell
Gregg Gowan
Chuck Hembree(home)
Dorothy McHugh

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

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

Joe Fowler's mother
Dot Pearson's sisters-in-law
Dot Pearson's sister
Joyce Lee's son
Laura Williams' father
Kathy Jordan's mother
Donna Staton's brother
Kaitlyn Pless' aunt
Dan Edwards' cousin
Ken DeYoung's brother
Deb Fowler's sister

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
Alexandria Waddell, friend of Trey Richards
Ethel Cooper, Eddie & Karen Waldrep's neighbor
Gene Crane, Atlanta, GA., friend of Pat Burgess
The family of Randy Harvey (Co-owner of Universal Packaging) and the Universal Packaging Family
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!

FLOOD RELIEF: Today is our last Sunday to take donations for the Flood Relief. Please plan to donate to this worthy cause. Make checks payable to Sharon UMC and note Flood Relief in the memo line.

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.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Today we receive into the membership of the church, Blanca Duncan and Eloy Duncan.

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Gabon. Gabon is located on the west coast of Africa. The population was subjected to the slave trade, and the territory was colonized by the French in the 19th century. Gabon became independent in 1960. Rich offshore resources have made it a major oil producing country. However only a minority of the population benefit from the income. The traditional economy of Gabon is based on timber, coffee, cocoa, palm oil and subsistence agriculture. About half of the population belongs to the Catholic Church. Gabon is the country where Albert Schweitzer exercised his ministry.

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

BIBLE STUDY: This week we begin with the introduction and Chapter 1 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 8. Class begins promptly at 6:30.

ATTENTION UMW LADIES DATE CHANGE: Our UMW November meeting will be held today, November 8 at 3:00PM in the scout hut. Hope to see you there! Visitors are welcome!

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 Sharon 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

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 15, 2015 Lectionary Texts

1 Samuel 1:4-20 Psalm 113 Hebrews 10:11-14 Mark 13:1-8

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8	8:00AM	UMMen, Gym
	9:30AM	Prayer Group
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship, All Saints Sunday
	3:00PM	UMW, Scout Hut
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9	4:00-6:00PM	God's Pantry
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11	6:30-7:30PM	Wednesday Night activities for all ages
	7:30PM	Choir Rehearsal

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY: Kay Bright & Scott Davis
NURSERY WORKERS Nov. 15: Myra Boland & Karen Waldrep

CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY: Kelle Waters & Lauren Davis
CHILDREN'S CHURCH Nov. 15: Christy Snow & Chris Kurtz

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

Sunday, November 1, 2015

Sunday School:	72
Worship:	114
Offering :	\$8,913.00
Received YTD:	\$265,847.37
Needed YTD:	\$262,273.00
Difference:	+\$3,574.37
Needed Weekly:	\$5,960.75
Cemetery Fund (9/30/15)	\$3,606.66
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Received	\$1,065.00
Capital Imp. Bldg. Fund Balance	\$66,420.47

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

Ministers: Sharon Congregation Member