

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, SEPTEMBER 10	8:00AM	UMMen
	9:30AM	Prayer Time
	10:00AM	Sunday School
	11:00AM	Worship
	6:30PM	Crossfire
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12	6:00PM	UMW, Meeting House
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13	6:30PM	Wed. Night Activities
	7:30PM	Choir Practice

SERVANT MINISTRIES

NURSERY WORKERS TODAY	Linette Garrett & Karen Waldrep
NURSERY WORKERS SEPT. 17	Dot DeYoung & Jannett Eason
CHILDREN'S CHURCH TODAY	Amy Blackwell & Harold Lee
CHILDREN'S CHURCH SEPT. 17	Kelle Waters & Amy Tobin
HEAD USHER TODAY	Rick Christopher
HEAD USHER SEPTEMBER 17	Jeff Boland

Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017

Sunday School	65
Worship	111
Offering	\$9,697.00
Received YTD	\$233,934.08
Needed YTD	\$229,643.28
Needed Weekly	\$6,378.98
Difference	+\$4,290.80
Cemetery Fund (7/31/2017)	\$1,487.96
Capital Imp. Received	\$1,015.00
Capital Imp. Fund Balance	\$91,356.22

LECTIONARY TEXTS

Sunday, September 17
Exodus 14:19-31
Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35

SCA Staff

Kay Bright	Bailey Cox
Melissa Farmer	Lisa Welch
Laura Williams	Stephanie Wykel



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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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 10, 2017

11:00AM

"The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet;' and nay other commandment, are summed up in this word. 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

-Romans 13:9

We Gather To Worship God

Prelude Clara Godfrey, Pianist

Announcements Rev. Bryson Williams

***Call To Worship "Morning Has Broken" (v.1)#145**

Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

***Opening Hymn "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" UMH #196**

We Praise God

***Responsive Reading UMH #881**

***Passing of the Peace**

Offering

The Offertory Clara Godfrey, Pianist

***Doxology UMH#95**

***The Offertory Prayer**

Special Music 3,4,5 year old SS Class

Children's Message Amy Blackwell

(Sing "Jesus Loves Me" as the children ages 4,5 & 1st grade go to children's church.) 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 "They'll Know We Are Christians" Choir

We Hear God's Word

New Testament Reading "Romans 13:8-14" Pew Bible, p. 152(N.T.)

Sermon "Put On Jesus" Rev. Bryson Williams

We Go Forth To Serve God In The World

Reception of New Members UMH #38

***Closing Hymn "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms" UMH #133**

***Benediction Rev. Bryson Williams**

***Benediction Response "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (v.1) UMH #57**

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his 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 memory of Lemuel Johnson by Dan & 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.

September 10, 2017

ON-GOING PRAYER-SHARON UMC FAMILY

Ben Brockman
Frank & Ruby Vaughn
Roie Johnson
Margaret DeYoung
Dorothy McHugh
Gregg Gowan
Pete O'Shields
Bill Lee
Gerald & Ruth Snow
Angie Dalenta
Kelsey Hendrix
Carolyn Yeargin

ON-GOING PRAYER – SHARON UMC FRIENDS

Kathy Young, wife of a friend of Leslie Roper
Heather Osegueda, friend of the SCA
Darrell Johnson, Bud & Gayle's nephew
Larry DeShields
Wynell Greer, Shirley Fowler's mother
Jackie Fowler, friend of Dot Pearson
Janice Gibson, friend of Dot Pearson
Andy Wright, neighbor of Eddie & Karen Waldrep
Yong Hall, Clara Godfrey's co-worker's wife
Gerald Burnett, friend of Martha Ann Bennett
Sharon's Community Cupboard
Sharon Christian Academy

FOOD COLLECTIONS:

Sharon's Community Cupboard –
Canned fruit (all kinds)

OUR MILITARY

Jonathan Houck
Erin Pennell

ON-GOING PRAYER FOR SHARON FAMILY RELATIVES

Joann Waldrep Eddie Waldrep's mother
Mike West Joyce Lee's son
Christi Edwards Dan & Ann Edwards' daughter-in-law
Jane Gates Dowis Doris Wade's cousin
Arliss Richardson Pat Burgess' sister
Shelby Hendrix Jackie Floyd and Allen Sheriff's sister
Doug Edwards Dan Edwards' cousin
Steve Farmer Katy Lee's father
Melba Sue Brown Leslie Roper's cousin
Irene Settle Vera Brockman's sister
Charles Huskey Trudy Johnson's brother-in-law

MISSIONARIES IN ACTION

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

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS: This week we pray for Ghana. Ghana, in West Africa, was formerly known as the Gold Coast because of the gold mining that began some 500 years ago. The Gold Coast became a British colony in 1873. The economy is based on cocoa, mining, timber and some industry. The majority of the population live from subsistence farming. The strong and large Anglican, Protestant and Catholic churches of Ghana grew out of 19th century mission work. Ghana's churches are experiencing some growth.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Today we receive into the membership of the church, Ken DeYoung and Kelsey Hendrix. Ken and Kelsey come to us by transfer of membership from Baptists Churches. Please join in welcoming Ken and Kelsey into the membership of the Church.

TRAIN RIDE: PEANUTS PUMPKIN PATCH EXPRESS: This will be on Saturday, October, 21. The cost is Adults: \$40.00 and Children ages 2-12: \$20.00. We are taking sign ups for this event. There is more information next to the sign up sheet in the gathering space.

Sharon Christian Academy: We are off to a great start!! Very few tears and LOTS of smiling faces. Please continue to pray for our children and staff this school year! We do still have a few spots available. Contact Laura to register.

IT'S TOO HOT FOR OUR TOTS...OUR LITTLE LADIES AND FELLAS NEED UMBRELLAS! To improve the functionality and aesthetics of the playground for our younger children, we are planning to install 2 umbrellas similar to the ones on the larger playground. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please mark your gift "Umbrella Fund".

TRIP TO HOLY LAND: We have a trip to the Holy Land scheduled for April 2-12, 2018. The trip will be led by Pastor Bryson.

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!

Fall Bible Study Options: We will have three opportunities for Bible Study this Fall. On Wednesday mornings at 10:30 and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 we will have an ongoing Bible Study. These sessions will last approximately one hour. The first study will be *When Did God Become a Christian?* by David Kalas. Books will be available in the Gathering Space next Sunday September 10 for those taking the class. Wednesday classes will begin on September 13.

September 13 10:30-11:30 Seekers SS Classroom Bible Study *When Did God Become a Christian?*

September 13 6:30-7:30 Sanctuary Bible Study *When Did God Become a Christian?*

Wednesday activities continue through the spring.

Intensive Bible Study: The other option will be Disciple II Into the Word Into the World. Disciple II is a 32 week intensive class for those who have completed Disciple I previously. This class will be on Sunday night at 6:30 beginning on September 20. See Pastor Bryson if you are interested in the class.

September 20 6:30-8:30 Disciple II Into the Word Into the World Class continues for 32 weeks.

Houston Area Flooding: Please pray for those whose lives have been impacted by Harvey. Please also pray for Early Response Teams, disaster coordinators and the many volunteers who are working tirelessly to provide relief. You may make a donation to UMCOR's relief and recovery efforts: U.S. Disaster Response, Advance #901670 at umcor.org/donate. All of your donation will go to the relief efforts.