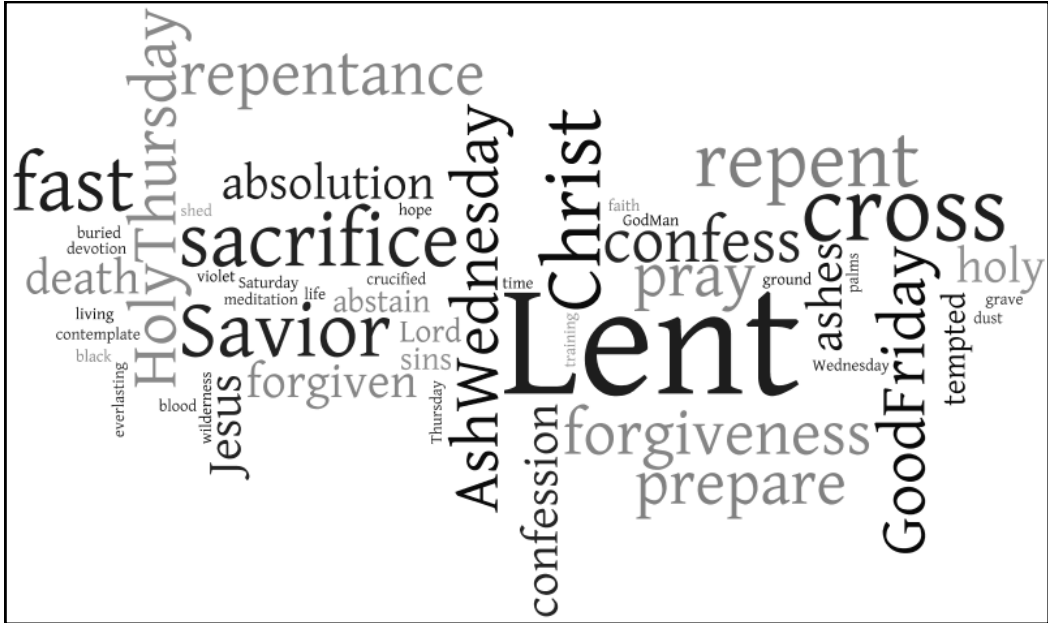


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Sharon United Methodist Church

Seeking Unity through our Ministry with Christ

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 11, 2018

11:00 AM

The Prelude

The Greeting

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord,

People: that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.

*The Passing of the Peace

*The Hymn

"I Sing Praises"

CH 5

The Scripture Reading

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Time with Our Young Disciples

Mission Update

The Prayers of the People

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

The Anthem

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Sr. Choir

The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory

*The Doxology with a Prayer of Dedication

On Screen

*The Hymn

"Just As I Am"

CH 488

The Scripture Lesson

Numbers 21:4-9

John 3:14-21

The Sermon

"Songs of Praise"

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

The Opportunities for Service

*The Hymn

"To God Be the Glory"

CH 56

*The Benediction

*The Sending Forth

"Amen"

*The Postlude

(*) Please stand as you are able

Bateman Scholarships

The family of Lloyd and Olive Forbes Bateman established a Memorial Scholarship in the name of each of their parents. Sharon UMC is honored and privileged to be the administrator of the \$1,000 Lloyd Bateman and \$1,000 Nurse Lucy Scholarships.

The scholarships are open to the Sharon UMC family, including Soul Patrol, who meet the criteria established for either of the scholarships and submits a completed application no later than April 30, 2018.

Details can be found on the application forms. For further information, please contact Susie Spruill @ (252) 453-2084.

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*The flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of
my brother, James F. McCool III,
by
Kathy Hilliard*

Opportunities for Service

Sun 3/11	9:45A—Christian Journey Class 10:00A—M. Bryan Morris Class 10:00A—Children's Sunday School 10:00A—HIStory 101 11:00A—Worship Ushers: Ernest B. & Ethan Hoeflaak Flowers: Kathy Hilliard Acolyte: Savanna Brickhouse Worship Leader: Joyce Jagucki Counters: Bob Gadkowski & Charla Connors Trustee: Joe Piper 5:00P—Soul Patrol Class
Mon 3/12	10:00A—Coffee Klatch @ McDonalds 7:00P—Community Bible Study @ SUMC
Tues 3/13	6:30P—Finance Team 7:00P—Church Council
Wed 3/14	10:00A—Prayer Service 11:30A—Currituck Christian Women's Club
Thurs 3/15	Pastor at Emmaus Walk 7:00P—Sr. Choir Practice
Fri 3/16	Pastor at Emmaus Walk
Sat 3/17	Pastor at Emmaus Walk
Sun 3/18	UMW Sunday 9:45A—Christian Journey Class 10:00A—M. Bryan Morris Class 10:00A—Children's Sunday School 10:00A—HIStory 101 11:00A—Worship (Spotlight on UMW) Ushers: Carole Mangham & Mady Hoeflaak Flowers: Hoeflaak Family Acolyte: Sydney Belvin Worship Leader: Linda Kimble Counters: Sue Mathews & Debbie Elliott Trustee: Joe Piper

Welcome Visitors!

We are so glad you chose to worship with us today. We have



visitor cards available as you come through the front doors. Please fill one in and drop it in the offering plate. You are welcome anytime!

Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 24, 2018

6:30 pm



Pre-registration requested as we have only 75 spaces available.

Please call (252) 453-2806 or email sharonumc27965@gmail.com

Admission is Free

Dinner/Easter Story/Egg Hunt/Games/Prizes
Bring your neighbors/family/friends

Holy Week Worship Services

Sunday, March 25 @ 11am

Palm Sunday Service

Thursday, March 29 @ 7pm

Christ in the Passover

Friday, March 30 @ 7pm

Good Friday Service @ Mt. Zion UMC

Sunday, April 1 @ 6:30am

Sunrise Service—Waterview Shores

Sunday, April 1 @ 11am

Easter Worship Service

Prayer Requests

Mike Doxey, Joan Taylor, Family & Friends of Dennis Newbern, Penny Leary Smith, George Ramsey, Norman & Betsy Herschel, Charles Drake, Bob Capp, Hill Family, Ernest Brickhouse, James Guard, Nathan/Jenny/Sydney Large, Taha Norman, Neil Glover, Henry Wildonger, Debbie Williams, Travis Mudd, Nancy Glover, Nellie Hamilton, Tom Slater, Jeff Alan Morelen, Jackie Cooper, Martha Tucker, Chris & Gaynelle Anderson, Angie King, Betsy Norman, Carl & Jessie Moore, Ryle Hilliard, Kandice Allen, Bobby Gregory, Chris Turner, Tina Outten, Melissa Venham, Teri Odom, Dana Meekins Carter, Carole Martinus, Kathy & Cameron McDaniel, Steve Doxey, Sherman & Kim Guthrie, Ellie Ball, Clarine Doxey.

Pray for all the Men and Women in the Armed Forces and their Families

Those close to our church family are:

Sean Joseph, Alex Evans, Tristan Murray, Michael Waterfield, John Patton, Nick Grandy, Chad Ferrell, Justin Rose, Brent Gregory, Robert Murray, Brian Taylor, Kelly Johnson.

Happy Birthday!

Amy Blankenship (March 2)

Sue Mathews (March 9)

Marshall Cherry (March 17)

Lilly Maynard (March 17)

James Guard (March 18)

Ted Sorenson (March 18)

Billy Mathews (March 23)

Bobbie Piper (March 25)

Cathy Forbes (March 27)

Deanna McCauley (March 30)

Dawn Hoeflaak (March 31)

Happy Anniversary!

Chris & Patricia Leary (March 18)

Michael & Sandi Childress (March 31)

Food Pantry Focus for next Sunday:

Peanut Butter/jelly, Nutella, spaghetti, macaroni, ramen and other noodles, spaghetti sauce, alfredo sauce, etc.

Getting Ready for Easter

Pastor Susie needs your help in preparing a special Easter presentation. You are asked to submit photos that express the meaning of the following words: *victory, life, joy, praise, hope, faith.*

These can be any images that represent the emotion and feeling of these words for you. Please submit at least one photo per word. They can be emailed or submitted to Iris Meekins.

2018 Budget = \$142,306	
Budget \$ Needed Weekly (52 wks) = \$2,737	
Giving For Last Sunday = \$3,102	
Beginning Balance for 2018	+804
Regular Giving thru Last Sunday	+\$22,536
Apportionment Donations	+3,000
Budget \$ Needed thru Last Sun.	-\$24,633
Subtotal	+\$1,707
