



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor

Sunday, January 22, 2023 – 11:00 AM

Bringing in the Light of Christ		Julie Cherry
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Jeanne Murray
Prelude		Anita Cotton
Opening Prayer		Preston Murray
Father, as we gather together we thank you for your endless goodness to us. Thank you for all the skills and talents that you have given us and for everyone that is part of this wonderful team. We pray that you would give us great wisdom and insight as we strive to be in ministry together in the community around us. We open our hearts to you now and invite your Holy Spirit to be present among us. Amen		
*Call to Worship		Preston Murray
Leader: We meet as a family in the presence of our heavenly Father.		
People: Bless us as we meet together, dear Lord we pray.		
Leader: We meet as brothers and sisters in Christ, accepting the responsibility this places upon us to love one another as you have loved us.		
People: Bless us as we meet together, dear Lord we pray.		
Leader: We meet as your lights in this world and pray that through our words and our lives others might be drawn into your family, and accept you as their Saviour and Lord.		
People: Bless us as we meet together, dear Lord we pray.		
*Hymn of Praise	"The Church's One Foundation"	CH 401
Scripture Reading	John 15:1-12	Preston Murray
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Anthem	"Just a Little Talk with Jesus"	Choir
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory		
*Doxology		
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.		
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.		
*Prayer of Thanksgiving		
*Hymn	"Sanctuary" (2 times)	CH 655
Scripture Lesson	Romans 12:1-2, 9-21	
Sermon	"In Ministry Together"	
*Closing Hymn	"They'll Know We Are Christians"	CH 429
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth	"The Bond of Love" vs. 1	On Screen
*Postlude		Anita Cotton

(* Please stand as you are able)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Jan. 22	Pastor Susan on Vacation 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Jeanne Murray) 12:30 pm – Outreach Team Meeting
Mon. Jan. 23	2:00 pm – Funeral Service for Bobby Cotton
Thurs. Jan. 26	CANCELED - 7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sun. Jan. 29	Pastor Susan on Vacation 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Jeanne Murray) 2:00 pm – Conference-Wide Leadership Training



WORSHIP TEAMS

JANUARY 22

Acolyte: Julie Cherry
Greeters: Bobbie Piper & Deb Chambers
Worship Leader: Preston Murray
Ushers: Cathy Forbes & Deb Chambers
Flowers: Brenda & Jim Zettervall
Counters: Jeanne Murray &
 Barbara Gadkowski
Trustee: Marshall Cherry

JANUARY 29

Acolyte: Ken Edgar
Greeters: Lee Hein & Patricia Leary
Worship Leader: Julie Cherry
Ushers: Sandy & Jan Eanes
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Joyce Jagucki
Trustee: Marshall Cherry

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Layette Sets for Mission of Hope** – Throughout the month of February, the UMW will be collecting items to make layette sets for Mission of Hope. We need cloth diapers, receiving blankets, newborn onesies, notes or cards of encouragement. Each set contains **2 blankets, 3 onesies, and 5 diapers**. Please place your donations in the tub in the library. If you prefer to give money, each set costs about \$20.00. Give cash or checks payable to Sharon UMW to Cathy Forbes, our UMW treasurer.
- Red Wagon Ministry** – The Red Wagon ministry is in need of **Band-Aids, laundry detergent, and deodorant**. Please consider donating these items. A collection container has been placed in the entryway.
- Pastor Susan on Vacation – January 2023** – While Pastor Susan is away, Jeanne has graciously agreed to fill the pulpit during January. Beginning January 7, Eric will be on call for the remainder of the month to cover any emergencies at (252) 725-0513 or elindblade@gmail.com.
- Blessing Box and Food Pantry** – We are in need of items for our Food Pantry and Blessing Box. Items Needed: **Baby Wipes, Diapers sizes 4/5 or any size, Toilet Paper, Feminine Pads, Mac and Cheese (microwavable)**. If you would like to write a check to Sharon UMC for the Blessing Box please make sure to note "Blessing Box" in the memo line.
- Recorded Worship Services** – Each week the recorded Zoom Worship Service is posted to our YouTube Channel. If you missed a service or would like to watch past services, you can visit our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@sharonumcpoplarbranchnc9028. You can also click the YouTube link at the bottom of our website www.sharon-umc.org.

ALTAR FLOWERS



The flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in loving memory of our friend, Bob Cotton by Brenda & Jim Zettervall



FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2023 Monthly Budget	Received Last Month (December)	Received Last Sunday
\$6,463.50	\$10,060.00	\$1,945.00

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