



# Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor

Sunday, March 12, 2023 – 11:00 AM

**“Take Your Candle, Go Light Your World”**



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Rosalie Jones

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Susan Lindblade

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Anita Cotton

\*Call to Worship

Danielle Skinner

Leader: The Lord is our Shepherd; we will have all that we need; we are released from fear.

**People: The Shepherd guides us in fruitful living, giving us healing and pardon.**

Leader: Even though difficulties and dangers may lie ahead, we do not need to fear.

**People: God's love and strength are as a rod and staff for us.**

Leader: God will give us abundantly from God's own love.

**People: Surely this goodness and mercy will be with us all of our days, and we will dwell in God's loving care forevermore. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

CH 21

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 5:8-10

Danielle Skinner

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

"In the Name of Love"

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

"Amazing Grace"

CH 343

Scripture Lesson

John 9:1-41

Sermon

"I Was Blind, But Now I See"

\*Closing Hymn

"Revive Us Again"

CH 434

\*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

\*Benediction

\*Sending Forth

"Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart"

On Screen

\*Postlude

Anita Cotton

(\*) Please stand as you are able

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

<b>Sun. Mar. 12</b>	Daylight Saving Time starts Third Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – Outreach Team Meeting
<b>Mon. Mar. 13</b>	3:00 pm – Finance Meeting
<b>Tues. Mar. 14</b>	10:00 am – Bible Study – “Think Like Jesus” (Facilitated by Susan Lindblade)
<b>Wed. Mar. 15</b>	12:00 pm – UMW Meeting (BJ's Carolina Cafe) 3:00 pm – Church Council Meeting
<b>Thurs. Mar. 16</b>	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 2:00 pm – SPRC Meeting 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
<b>Fri. Mar. 17</b>	Happy St. Patrick's Day Happy Birthday to Marshall Cherry 4:00 pm – SUMC Food Pantry
<b>Fri. Mar. 18</b>	Happy Birthday to James Guard Happy Anniversary to Chris & Patricia Leary
<b>Sun. Mar. 19</b>	Fourth Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

## WORSHIP TEAMS

### MARCH 12

**Acolyte:** Rosalie Jones  
**Greeters:** Bobbie Piper & Lee Hein  
**Worship Leader:** Danielle Skinner  
**Ushers:** Rosalie Jones & Patricia Leary  
**Flowers:** Janet Fairley  
**Counters:** Danielle Skinner & AB Donski  
**Trustee:** Mager Kirk

### MARCH 19

**Acolyte:** Julie Cherry  
**Greeters:** Joyce Jagucki & Noreen McCarthy  
**Worship Leader:** Jan Edgar  
**Ushers:** Bob & Barbara Gadkowski  
**Flowers:** OPEN  
**Counters:** Sylvia Kirk & Joyce Jagucki  
**Trustee:** Mager Kirk



## UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Bible Study, Tuesday, March 14, 10:00 am** – Our “Think Like Jesus” Bible Study will meet this Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This week’s topic is “How Does The Bible Speak to My Life.”
- **Nurture and Worship Team** – Our Nurture and Worship Team is now chaired by Jan Eanes and she wishes to organize it in areas of Visitation, Worship, Prayer and Card Ministry. If you feel led to be a part of any of these teams, please call her at 252-619-1075 or email her at beach4jan@gmail.com
- **Layette Sets for Mission of Hope** – The UMW is 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.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God, and  
in memory of Bess Dunton by Janet Fairley*



### FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

<b>2023 Monthly Budget</b>	<b>Received Last Month (February)</b>	<b>Received Last Sunday</b>
\$6,463.50	\$5,118.00	\$2,270.00