



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor

Sunday, March 26, 2023 – 11:00 AM

“Take Your Candle, Go Light Your World”



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Ken Edgar

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Susan Lindblade

Prelude

Anita Cotton

*Call to Worship

Joyce Jagucki

Leader: We come, for God gathers us here; with that community called faith;

People: Where the hungry are served first, where the thirsty drink life's water.

Leader: We come, for God welcomes us here into that home called grace.

People: Where the naked are clothed in robes of hope; where the stranger is embraced as the long lost prodigal.

Leader: We come, for God reunites us here. Sisters and brothers in that family called love:

All: Where even the smallest among us are cradled in God's loving arms.

*Hymn of Praise

"The Solid Rock"

CH 526

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 61

Joyce Jagucki

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Choir

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

UMCOR Video

On Screen

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

"The Servant Song"

CH 424

Scripture Lesson

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Sermon

"The Third Time is the Charm"

Donna Hudson

*Closing Hymn

"Here I Am, Lord"

CH 589

*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

Sun. Mar. 26	Fifth Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Donna Hudson, guest speaker from Mission of Hope) 12:15 pm – Connect Church Meeting
Mon. Mar. 27	Happy Birthday to Cathy Forbes
Tues. Mar. 28	10:00 am – Bible Study – “Think Like Jesus” (Facilitated by Susan Lindblade) 4:30 pm – Red Wagon Ministry
Thurs. Mar. 30	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sat. Apr. 1	4:00 pm – Choir/Cantata Practice
Sun. Apr. 2	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Palm Sunday) "Spread the News" Cantata by the Choir

WORSHIP TEAMS

MARCH 26

Acolyte: Ken Edgar
Greeters: Bobbie Piper & Patricia Leary
Worship Leader: Joyce Jagucki
Ushers: Ken Edgar & Jeanne Murray
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Jeanne Murray & Barbara Gadkowski
Trustee: Mager Kirk

APRIL 2

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Julie Cherry & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Bob Gadkowski
Ushers: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Danielle Skinner & Sylvia Kirk
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Connect Church Meeting, Sunday, March 26, 12:15 pm** – Our Connect Team will meet immediately following today’s worship service with Coach Darren Crofts from The NC Rural Initiative. Please continue to be in prayer for our team as we work together to discern God’s leading in the days ahead.
- **Bible Study, Tuesday, March 28, 10:00 am** – The last of our “Think Like Jesus” Bible studies will be held Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will take a break for a few weeks and resume with Part II “Act Like Jesus” on May 9.
- **UMCOR** – UMCOR SUNDAY, a time to celebrate and participate in United Methodism’s humanitarian arm. Through April 2, we’ll have an opportunity to share our gifts and be a part of UMCOR’s work which reaches people in more than 80 countries, including the US, during times when conflict or natural disaster disrupts life to such an extent that communities cannot recover on their own. **You may make your check payable to Sharon UMC and note UMCOR in the memo line.**
- **SUMC 2023 Scholarships**
 - 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 and to children and grandchildren of members of Sharon UMC, who meet the criteria established for either of the scholarships and submits a completed application no later than May 5, 2023.
 - **The Currituck Community Chorus Music Scholarship** in the amount of \$500 will be administered by Sharon United Methodist Church with a Scholarship Committee that will determine the awarding of the scholarship. The scholarship is open to anyone who graduates from Currituck County Schools (public, private, or home schooled) and submits a completed application no later than May 5, 2023.
 - For more information, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2023 Monthly Budget	Received Last Month (February)	Received Last Sunday
\$6,463.50	\$5,118.00	\$525.00