



## Sharon United Methodist Church

*Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor*

**Sunday, April 23, 2023 – 11:00 AM**

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

Bringing in the Light of Christ		Bob Gadkowski
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Jeanne Murray
Opening Prayer		
Prelude		Anita Cotton
*Call to Worship		Danielle Skinner
Leader:	We have been walking, Lord, on roads of uncertainty and fear, on roads of exhaustion and doubt, on winding roads that have led us here.	
<b>People:</b>	<b><i>Join us on our journey, Lord. Open our hearts to your presence in our lives, in our neighbors, in our world.</i></b>	
<b>All:</b>	<b><i>By your presence, refresh our spirits, set our hearts ablaze, and forge a new road from here on. Amen.</i></b>	
*Hymn of Praise	“Shine, Jesus, Shine”	CH 431
Scripture Reading	Psalm 32	Danielle Skinner
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer		
Anthem	“Weep No More”	Choir
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory		
*Doxology	<b><i>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.</i></b>	
*Prayer of Thanksgiving		
*Hymn	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	CH 139
Scripture Lesson	1 Peter 1:3-9	
Sermon	"Living the Resurrection Life"	
*Closing Hymn	"Victory in Jesus"	CH 353
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth	“He Is Lord”	On Screen/ CH 34
*Postlude		Anita Cotton

(\* Please stand as you are able)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

<b>Sun. Apr. 23</b>	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Jeanne Murray) 12:15 pm – Connect Church Meeting Happy Birthday to Booty Spruill Happy Birthday to Mager Kirk
<b>Mon. Apr. 24</b>	Happy Birthday to Mark Hein Happy Birthday to Pat Steigelman
<b>Tues. Apr. 25</b>	4:30 pm – Red Wagon Ministry Happy Anniversary to Mark & Lee Hein
<b>Thurs. Apr. 27</b>	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
<b>Sat. Apr. 29</b>	Happy Birthday to Laverne Brickhouse
<b>Sun. Apr. 30</b>	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship Happy Birthday to Ken Elliott

## WORSHIP TEAMS

### APRIL 23

**Acolyte:** Bob Gadkowski  
**Greeters:** Sylvia Kirk & Patricia Leary  
**Worship Leader:** Danielle Skinner  
**Ushers:** Sylvia Kirk & Danielle Skinner  
**Flowers:** OPEN  
**Counters:** Jeanne Murray &  
 Barbara Gadkowski  
**Trustee:** Bob Gadkowski

### APRIL 30

**Acolyte:** Barbara Gadkowski  
**Greeters:** Bobbie Piper & Noreen McCarthy  
**Worship Leader:** Marshall Cherry  
**Ushers:** Ken & Debra Elliott  
**Flowers:** OPEN  
**Counters:** Sylvia Kirk & Rosalie Jones  
**Trustee:** Bob Gadkowski

## UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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.
- **Recorded Worship Services** – Each week the recorded 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](http://www.youtube.com/@sharonumcpoplarbranchnc9028). You can also click the YouTube link at the bottom of our website [www.sharon-umc.org](http://www.sharon-umc.org).
- **Altar Flowers 2023** – If you would like to place altar flowers in the church "in memory of" or "in honor of" a special person, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.

## FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

<b>2023 Monthly Budget</b>	<b>Received Last Month (March)</b>	<b>Received Last Sunday</b>
\$6,463.50	\$5,890.00	\$2,360.00

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