



# Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor

Sunday, June 4, 2023 – 11:00 AM

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



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Jan Edgar

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Susan Lindblade

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Anita Cotton

\*Call to Worship

Ken Edgar

Leader: We come to church hungry, Lord! We are hungry for comfort, hungry for love, hungry for a new way of living, hungry for your word.

**People: Thank you for giving us this place and this time to worship, and we are eager to taste your goodness in community, with our brothers and sisters.**

**ALL: Bless us as we feast on the Bread of Life today.**

\*Hymn of Praise

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

CH 3

Scripture Reading

Micah 6:6-8

Ken Edgar

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Anthem

“If I Be Lifted Up”

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

“Worthy of Worship”

CH 153

Scripture Lesson

Luke 6:27-31

Sermon

“Cornerstones of Faith: Kindness”

Celebration of Holy Communion

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Pastor: Our lives are often marked by merriment, but beneath that looms our worry, our sorrow, our shame, our guilt, our grief. Let us hand over all that to the One who offers us not condemnation but joy. In this moment as my mind wanders:

**People: God, redirect my thoughts to you.**

Pastor: In this week as I walk your path and sometimes stumble,

**People: God, make your way clear.**

Pastor: In our community where we have sometimes remained silent,

**People: God, open our lips to speak for justice.**

Pastor: In this world where there is so much hurt, hurt that we sometimes cause,

**People: God, make us agents of healing.**

Pastor: In this time when there is much sorrow and grief,

**People: God, send us out to be agents of hope and joy.**

Pastor: In these moments of silence,

**ALL: God, hear our prayers.**

The Great Thanksgiving  
Sharing the Bread and Cup

\*Closing Hymn

“Peace Like a River”

CH 750

\*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

\*Benediction

\*Sending Forth

“The Family of God”

On Screen/ CH 419

\*Postlude

Anita Cotton

(\* ) Please stand as you are able

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

<b>Sun. Jun. 4</b>	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:30 pm – Sunday Lunch Bunch (El Potrillo) Happy Birthday to Patricia Leary
<b>Mon. Jun. 5</b>	5:30 pm – Celebration for David Blackman
<b>Thurs. Jun. 8</b>	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
<b>Sun. Jun. 11</b>	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

### WORSHIP TEAMS

#### JUNE 4

**Acolyte:** Jan Edgar

**Greeters:** Marshall & Julie Cherry

**Worship Leader:** Ken Edgar

**Ushers:** Rosalie Jones & Patricia Leary

**Flowers:** OPEN

**Counters:** Julie Cherry & AB Donski

**Trustee:** AB Donski

#### JUNE 11

**Acolyte:** Rosalie Jones

**Greeters:** Lee Hein & Patricia Leary

**Worship Leader:** Joyce Jagucki

**Ushers:** Ken & Jan Edgar

**Flowers:** OPEN

**Counters:** Sylvia Kirk & Joyce Jagucki

**Trustee:** Ken Edgar



### UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Pastor’s Discretionary Fund** – As you receive communion, we invite you to pause at the altar for a time of prayer and if you feel led to share in this discretionary fund, please leave change or money at the altar rail.
- **Celebration for David Blackman, Monday, June 5, 5:30 pm** – David Blackman Night will be held on Monday, June 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The church will provide meats for the meal and all are asked to bring side dishes and dessert. A sheet will be on the organ today for folks to sign up the items they will bring. Please mark your calendar for this date. We want to have a good crowd to send David off with our love and blessings.
- **Vacation Bible School – July 17-20, 5:30 - 7:45 pm** – Sharon UMC is excited to be hosting Vacation Bible School for Grades K-5! Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm. Children will be offered Music, Crafts, and a thoughtful Bible Story each night. Volunteers are needed in all areas; materials will be provided. For more information, contact Anita Cotton at anitacotton@hotmail.com or (757) 286-0862. SPREAD THE WORD!
- **SUMC Golf Tournament - Saturday, August 26** at The Carolina Club (Grandy). For more information, contact AB Donski (252) 722-4344.
- **Bible Study** – Our Tuesday morning Bible Study will take a summer break and resume after Labor Day on September 12 at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

### FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

<b>2023 Monthly Budget</b>	<b>Received Last Month (May)</b>	<b>Received Last Sunday</b>
\$6,463.50	\$7,852.00	\$2,051.00

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