



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor

Sunday, October 8, 2023 – 11:00 AM

“Take Your Candle, Go Light Your World”



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Bob Gadkowski

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Susan Lindblade

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Anita Cotton

*Call to Worship

Marshall Cherry

Leader: Lord, open our hearts this morning to hear your words of compassion.

People: Lord, help us to truly listen to you.

Leader: Lord, open our spirits this morning to strengthen our faith.

People: Lord, help us to work for you.

Leader: Lord, make us ready to serve.

All: Lord, make us ready to witness to your healing love. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

CH 225

Scripture Reading

Psalm 131

Marshall Cherry

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Anthem

“Touched by the Hand of the Lord”

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

“He Touched Me”

CH 505

Scripture Lesson

Mark 5:1-20

Sermon

“What the Lord Has Done for You”

*Closing Hymn

“Blessed Be the Name”

CH 52

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Sending Forth

“Shalom to You”

On Screen/UMH 666

*Postlude

Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Oct. 8	Pastor Appreciation Day 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship Happy Birthday to Paul Fairley
Tues. Oct. 10	2:00 pm – Bible Study (Facilitated by Susan Lindblade)
Thurs. Oct. 12	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) CANCELED - 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sun. Oct. 15	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – Outreach Team Meeting

WORSHIP TEAMS

OCTOBER 8

Acolyte: Bob Gadkowski
Greeters: Lee Hein & Patricia Leary
Worship Leader: Marshall Cherry
Ushers: Joyce Jagucki & Jan Eanes
Flowers: Brenda & Jim Zettervall
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Joyce Jagucki
Trustee: AB Donski

OCTOBER 15

Acolyte: Barbara Gadkowski
Greeters: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Worship Leader: Mager Kirk
Ushers: Bobbie Piper & Lee Hein
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Danielle Skinner & Jan Edgar
Trustee: AB Donski

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Bible Study, Tuesday, October 10, 2:00 pm** – Our lesson will be on Pride in the episode of “The Big House.”
- **Charge Conference, Thursday, October 26, 6:00 pm** – MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW for Charge Conference on Thursday, October 26 at 6:00 pm. here at Sharon UMC. We will welcome Mt. Zion and Hebron, who will also hold their respective conferences here and join together with us in worship.
 - 6:00 pm - Mt. Zion UMC Charge Conference (Fellowship Hall)
 - 6:15 pm - Hebron UMC Charge Conference (Fellowship Hall)
 - 6:30 pm - Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 - 7:00 pm - Sharon UMC Charge Conference (Sanctuary)
- **Women’s Spiritual Life Retreat, Saturday, October 28, 9:00 am** – Come and enjoy a day of enrichment and fellowship with other women from our District. **Registration is needed to help us plan our day. You can register by accessing the registration form on our church website at www.sharon-umc.org.** If you need help with the registration, please contact Iris Meekins.
- **Updated and Revised Church Policies** – Recently, our Church Council reviewed and approved our updated policies for church use. Copies of the new policies and application are posted on our church website as well as placed in the Mail Center in the Library.
- **Stuff the Pumpkin** – The School Partnership Mission Team (SPM) will be doing "Stuff The Pumpkin" again this year. This mission will run from October 15th through the end of November. We are asking that you bring Gloves, Mittens, Hats, Toboggans, Scarves, Socks, and Undies to fill the Pumpkin (located at the front of the church). The items collected are for children at Griggs Elementary School (Kindergarten-5th grade) and will be delivered to the school in December. Thank you for your support of the SPM Team.

ALTAR FLOWERS



*The flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in honor of
 Susan Lindblade for Pastor Appreciation Sunday by Brenda & Jim Zettervall*



FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2023 Monthly Budget	Received Last Month (September)	Received Last Sunday
\$6,463.50	\$7,305.00	\$2,115.00