



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Susan C. Lindblade, Pastor

Sunday, November 5, 2023 – 11:00 AM

“Take Your Candle, Go Light Your World”

Bringing in the Light of Christ		Ken Edgar
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Jeanne Murray
Opening Prayer		
Prelude		Anita Cotton
*Call to Worship		Lee Hein
Leader: Love is not an emotion.		
People: Love is a decision, made continually.		
Leader: Love had the first word, in creating all things,		
People: And love will have the last word, in fulfilling all things.		
All: We praise the power of God’s love today!		
*Hymn of Praise	“To God Be the Glory”	CH 56
Scripture Reading	1 Corinthians 13	Lee Hein
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer		
Anthem	“Loving God, Loving Each Other”	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	“Seek Ye First”	CH 713
Scripture Lesson	Colossians 3:12-17	
Sermon	“The Sacred Art of Lovingkindness”	
*Closing Hymn	“The Servant Song”	CH 424
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth	“The Bond of Love”	On Screen/ CH 423
*Postlude		Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Nov. 5	Daylight Saving Time ends Pastor Susan out of town 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Jeanne Murray) 12:30 am – Sunday Lunch Bunch (Los Compadres)
Tues. Nov. 7	2:00 pm – Bible Study (Facilitated by Susan Lindblade)
Thurs. Nov. 9	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) CANCELED - 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sat. Nov. 11	Veterans Day 10:00 am – Celebration Gathering for Connect Church (Raleigh)
Sun. Nov. 12	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

WORSHIP TEAMS

NOVEMBER 5

Acolyte: Ken Edgar
Greeters: Marshall Cherry & Patricia Leary
Worship Leader: Lee Hein
Ushers: Ken & Jan Edgar
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Danielle Skinner & Joyce Jagucki
Trustee: Ken Edgar

NOVEMBER 12

Acolyte: Jan Edgar
Greeters: Bobbie Piper & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Ken Edgar
Ushers: Bob & Barbara Gadkowski
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Jan Edgar
Trustee: Ken Edgar

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Bible Study, Tuesday, November 7, 2:00 pm** – Our lesson will be on Courage in the episode of “High Noon in Mayberry.”
- **Communion will be served on November 12th** instead of the first Sunday of November.
- **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.
- **Mailboxes** – Please be sure to check the mailboxes in the Mail Center in the library. You never know when a card with your name on it may appear!
- **Red Wagon Ministry (located in the Mt. Zion parking lot)** – The Red Wagon ministry is in need of **Baby Diapers** and **Feminine Hygiene Products**. A collection container has been placed in the entryway.
- **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. You can also click the YouTube link at the bottom of our website 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

<i>2023 Monthly Budget</i>	<i>Received Last Month (October)</i>	<i>Received Last Sunday</i>
\$6,463.50	\$8,548.75	\$1,896.00

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