



Sharon United Methodist Church

Jeanne Murray, Certified Lay Minister

Sunday, June 2, 2024 – 11:00 AM

Communion Sunday



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Barbara Gadowski

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Jeanne Murray

Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Heather Kilbourne

Director of Faith in Rural Communities at NC Rural Center

Prelude

Anita Cotton

*Call to Worship (*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2024*)

Diane Forbes

Leader: The psalmist declares, "Lord, you have searched me and known me." Will you open yourselves to be searched by God?

People: Search us, O God, and know our hearts.

Leader: God searches you, knows you, and loves you, and invites you to search out God in return. Will you seek the heart of God?

People: We will search you, O God, to know your heart.

Leader: The Triune God who creates all and knows all is revealed in running rivers and fluttering butterflies, in warm sunshine and the smell of the earth. Will you pay attention?

People: We will pay attention, O God, to your fingerprint of love on all of creation.

Leader: Open our hearts today to encounter your love, holiness, and glory that create and sustain all that was, is, and will be.

People: We come today to enter the dance of the Trinity, the all-knowing Creator and Sustainer of life.

*Hymn of Praise

"Jesus Calls Us"

CH 592

Scripture Reading

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

Diane Forbes

Children's Message

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Sylvia Kirk

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

"Spirit of God"

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

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

CH 563

Scripture Lesson

1 Samuel 3:1-11

Sermon

"Are You Good At Listening?"

Celebration of Holy Communion

"A Service of Word and Table II"

UMH 12

*Closing Hymn

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

CH 602

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Sending Forth

"God Be with You"

On Screen/CH 232

*Postlude

Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. June 2	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Rev. Dr. Heather Kilbourne)
Tues. June 4	Happy Birthday to Patricia Leary
Thurs. June 6	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sun. June 9	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Jeanne Murray)

WORSHIP TEAMS

JUNE 2

Acolyte: Barbara Gadkowski
Greeters: Linda Kimble & Donna Steigelman
Worship Leader: Diane Forbes
Ushers: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Flowers: Penny Leary-Smith
Counters: Julie Cherry & AB Donski
Trustee: Marshall Cherry

JUNE 9

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Jan Eanes & AB Donski
Worship Leader: Mager Kirk
Ushers: Janet Fairley & Bobbie Piper
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Jan Eanes & Sue Collie
Trustee: Marshall Cherry



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.
- **Annual Conference Outreach Project** – See the list at <https://nccumc.org/ac2024/outreach-project/> and bring contributions to the church no later than June 9th. Kits cost about \$9.00 each. If you'd prefer to contribute money or write a check (Checks are to be made payable to **Sharon UMW** with **Hygiene Kits** written in the memo line) please give your money or check to **Cathy Forbes**.
- **Pastoral Care** – If you need pastoral care, please contact Jeanne Murray at 252-423-0851.
- **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 2024** – 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.

ALTAR FLOWERS



*The flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in memory of
 our parents, Ralph and Ida Lee Saunders
 by Penny Leary-Smith and Sharon Tunnell*



FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2024 Monthly Budget	Received Last Month (May)	Received Last Sunday
\$6,088.42	\$5,618.00	\$1,310.00