



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Toni C. Wood, Pastor

Sunday, January 12, 2025 – 11:00 AM

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| Bringing in the Light of Christ | | Danielle Skinner |
| Prelude | | Anita Cotton |
| Opening Prayer | | Rev. Toni Wood |
| Words of Welcome and Announcements | | |
| *Call to Worship | | Ken Edgar |
| | "Psalm 29" | UMH 761 |
| *Affirmation of Faith | "Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39" | On Screen/UMH 887 |
| Leader: | Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword? | |
| People: | <i>No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.</i> | |
| *Hymn of Praise | "When Jesus Came to Jordan" | UMH 252 |
| Scripture Reading | Isaiah 43:1-7 | Ken Edgar |
| Children's Message | | |
| Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns | | |
| Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer | | |
| Anthem | "Just a Little Talk with Jesus" | Choir |
| Sharing our Tithes and Offerings | | |
| Offertory | | |
| *Doxology | | |
| | <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> | |
| *Prayer of Thanksgiving | | |
| *Hymn | "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" | UMH 611 |
| Scripture Lesson | Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 | |
| Sermon | "Who Are You?" | |
| *Closing Hymn | "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" | UMH 251 |
| *Taking the Light of Christ into the World | | |
| *Benediction | | |
| *Sending Forth | "Bind Us Together" | On Screen/CH 425 |
| *Postlude | | Anita Cotton |

(* Please stand as you are able)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

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| Sun. Jan. 12 | 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – Choir Practice |
| Mon. Jan. 13 | 2:40 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program |
| Tues. Jan. 14 | 7:00 pm – Connect Church Zoom Meeting Happy Birthday to Sue Austin |
| Wed. Jan. 15 | 2:40 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program Happy Birthday to Jim Zettervall |
| Thurs. Jan. 16 | 7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) Happy Birthday to Dorothy Sellers |
| Fri. Jan. 17 | Happy Birthday to Danielle Skinner |
| Sun. Jan. 19 | 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Blessing of the School Supply Bags) Happy Birthday to Beth Childers |

WORSHIP TEAMS

JANUARY 12

Acolyte: Danielle Skinner
Greeters: Deb Chambers & Joe Coriaggio
Worship Leader: Ken Edgar
Ushers: Mark Jackson & Madelyn Conroy
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Patricia Leary
Trustee: Anita Cotton

JANUARY 19

Acolyte: Kasey Fairley
Greeters: Jan Eanes & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Jeanne Murray
Ushers: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Julie Cherry & Jeanne Murray
Trustee: Anita Cotton

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Custodian** – The SPRC is currently accepting applications for a custodial position for our church. The application will be available on our website, Facebook page, and sent by email. For more information, please contact Sylvia Kirk at sjdkirk@gmail.com or 252-202-6648.
- **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!
- **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.
- **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.
- **Altar Flowers 2025** – 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

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| 2025 Monthly Budget \$ 7,502.38 | Received Last Month (December) \$6,974.25 | Received Last Sunday \$2,433.00 |
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