



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Toni C. Wood, Pastor

Sunday, March 16, 2025 – 11:00 AM



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Prelude

Opening Prayer

Words of Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 27)

Leader: The Lord is my Light and Salvation, whom shall I fear?

People: The Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: May we dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of our lives,

People: to behold the beauty of the Lord and to worship at his footstool.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord!

*Affirmation of Faith

"A Statement of Faith of The Korean UMC"

On Screen/UMH 884

We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength. We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testament as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice. We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service. We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

UMH 103

Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Julie Cherry

Children's Message

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

"As the Deer"

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

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

UMH 286

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 27

Sermon

"Courage"

*Closing Hymn

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

UMH 189

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Sending Forth

"Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart"

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*Postlude

Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Mar. 16	Second Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship
Mon. Mar. 17	Happy St. Patrick's Day 2:40 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program 6:00 pm – Finance Meeting Happy Birthday to Marshall Cherry
Tues. Mar. 18	Happy Anniversary to Chris & Patricia Leary
Wed. Mar. 19	2:40 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program Happy Birthday to Arthur "Jack" Symmonds
Thurs. Mar. 20	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sun. Mar. 23	Third Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

WORSHIP TEAMS

MARCH 16

Acolyte: Kamryn Young
Greeters: Ken & Jan Edgar
Worship Leader: Julie Cherry
Ushers: Janet & Kasey Fairley
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Julie Cherry & Jan Edgar
Trustee: Marshall Cherry


MARCH 23

Acolyte: Danielle Skinner
Greeters: Jan Eanes & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Jan Edgar
Ushers: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Jan Eanes & Sue Collie
Trustee: Marshall Cherry

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **UWF Spiritual Growth Spring Rally, Saturday, March 29, 9:30 am, Kitty Hawk UMC** – You're invited to a United Women in Faith spiritual growth event on March 29th led by our District Superintendent Rev. Gina Miller. We'll have special music by The Yaupons. If you'd like to attend, please let Iris Meekins know by March 15th at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.
- **SPM Soup and Salad Luncheon for GES, Wednesday, April 2, 10:30 am** – The School Partnership Mission Team (SPM) needs your help. We will be providing soups, salads, and desserts for the staff at Griggs Elementary School on Wednesday, April 2. If you can help by providing soup, salad, or dessert, **please contact Iris Meekins at (252) 202-6401 to sign up.** Please plan to bring your soup, salad, or dessert to church on Wednesday, April 2 from 10:00 am - 10:20 am. The SPM Team will set up at the school by 10:30 am. If you are able to help deliver the food to the school, please let us know. Thank you for your support!
- **SUMC 2025 Scholarships**
 - Sharon UMC is honored and privileged to be the administrator of the \$1,000 **Lloyd Bateman** and \$1,000 **Nurse Lucy Scholarships**. The scholarships are open to congregants of Sharon United Methodist Church and their families. Participants in the scholarships must complete the 2025 Application and submit a completed application no later than **May 2, 2025**.
 - **The Currituck Community Chorus Music Scholarship** in the amount of \$1,000 will be administered by Sharon United Methodist Church with a Scholarship Committee that will determine the awarding of the scholarship. The scholarship is open to Currituck County graduates (public, private, or home schooled) who submit a completed application no later than **May 2, 2025**.
 - For more information, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.
- **Online Giving** – You can donate by using the link on our website at <https://www.sharon-umc.org/> or by scanning the QR Code below.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2025 Monthly Budget	Received Last Month (February)	Received Last Sunday	
\$ 7,502.38	\$4,444.54	\$1,604.00	