



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Toni C. Wood, Pastor

Sunday, April 6, 2025 – 11:00 AM

Communion Sunday



Bringing in the Light of Christ

Marshall Cherry

Prelude

Anita Cotton

Opening Prayer

Rev. Toni Wood

Words of Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 126)

Danielle Skinner

Leader: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

People: *then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.*

Leader: Then they said among the nations: "the Lord has done great things for them.

People: *The Lord has done great things for us; let us be glad and rejoice in him.*

Leader: May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy!

All: *Come, let us worship God in his temple with shouts of joy!*

*Affirmation of Faith

"The Apostles' Creed"

On Screen/UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

*Hymn of Praise

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

UMH 57

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

Danielle Skinner

Children's Message

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

"The One I'm Dying For"

Jeanne Murray

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

"Take Our Bread"

UMH 640

Scripture Lesson

John 12:1-8

Sermon

"Extravagant Love"

Celebration of Holy Communion

*Closing Hymn

"The Gift of Love"

UMH 408

*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. Apr. 6	Fifth Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship
Mon. Apr. 7	2:40 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program
Tue. Apr. 8	Happy Birthday to Laurel Compher
Wed. Apr. 9	2:40 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program
Thurs. Apr. 10	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 6:00 pm – Choir Practice
Fri. Apr. 11	Happy Birthday to Toby Sohn
Sat. Apr. 12	Happy Birthday to Kevin Simmons Happy Birthday to Tom Jagucki
Sun. Apr. 13	Palm Sunday 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

WORSHIP TEAMS

APRIL 6

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Janet Fairley & Mandy Williams
Worship Leader: Danielle Skinner
Ushers: Rosalie Jones & Patricia Leary
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Patricia Leary
Trustee: Anita Cotton

APRIL 13

Acolyte: Julie Cherry
Greeters: Jan Eanes & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Jeanne Murray
Ushers: Bob Gadkowski & Joe Coriaggio
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Julie Cherry & Jeanne Murray
Trustee: Anita Cotton

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.
- **The Parsonage Airbnb** – After much prayer, meetings, WORK, etc. we are ready to use our beautiful parsonage as a short-term rental with Airbnb. We would like to thank the Parsonage Committee for all of their hard work. If you would like to share the Parsonage Airbnb booking information with friends or family, the link can be found on our website or at airbnb.com/h/theumcparsonage.
- **Holy Week Worship Opportunities** – Let's join our UMC family in Currituck during Holy Week.
 - Thursday, April 17 – 7:00 pm – **Maundy Thursday Worship Service** - Moyock UMC
 - Friday, April 18 – 7:00 pm – **Good Friday Worship Service** - Pilmoor Memorial UMC
 - Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday
 - 6:45 am – **Easter Sunrise Service** - Currituck Ferry Landing (Pastor Toni Wood will lead the service) and Breakfast at Pilmoor Memorial UMC
 - 11:00 am – **Easter Worship Service** - Join us during the morning Worship Service as we praise the risen Christ! During the service the choir will celebrate Easter with some special songs.
- **Flowers for the Cross** – As a part of our Easter celebration everyone is asked to please bring fresh flowers to decorate the cross in our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. What has been a reminder of death and sorrow becomes a symbol of life and beauty. Help us create a living cross as part of our worship!
- **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 **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. For more information, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.
- **Online Giving** – You can donate by scanning the QR Code below.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2025 Monthly Budget \$ 7,502.38	Received Last Month (March) \$7,729.00	Received Last Sunday \$1,418.00	