



Sharon United Methodist Church
 Rev. Toni C. Wood, Pastor
 Sunday, March 15, 2026 – 11:00 AM



Bringing in the Light of Christ		Marshall Cherry
Prelude		Anita Cotton
Opening Prayer		Rev. Toni Wood
Words of Welcome and Announcements		
*Call to Worship		Jeanne Murray UMH 137
	“Psalm 23 (King James Version)”	
*Affirmation of Faith	“A Modern Affirmation”	On Screen/UMH 885
Leader:	Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:	
All:	<i>We believe in God the Father; infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children’s good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father’s unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.</i>	
*Hymn of Praise	“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”	UMH 140
Scripture Reading	Ephesians 5:8-14	Jeanne Murray
Children’s Message		
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer		
Anthem	“Bound for the Kingdom Medley”	Choir
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory		
*Doxology		
<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.</i>		
<i>Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i>		
*Prayer of Thanksgiving		
*Hymn of Preparation	“Shine, Jesus, Shine”	TFWS 2173
Scripture Lesson	John 9:1-41	
Sermon	“What Do We See?”	
*Closing Hymn	“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”	UMH 136
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth	“Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart”	On Screen/CH 231
*Postlude		Anita Cotton

(* Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Mar. 15	Fourth Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – SPRC Meeting
Mon. Mar. 16	7:00 pm – Finance Zoom Meeting
Tues. Mar. 17	Happy St. Patrick's Day Happy Birthday to Marshall Cherry
Wed. Mar. 18	10:00 am – "Church Lady Casserole Day" 2:15 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program Happy Anniversary to Chris & Patricia Leary
Thurs. Mar. 19	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 4:00 pm – Choir Practice Happy Birthday to Arthur "Jack" Symmonds
Sun. Mar. 22	Fifth Sunday in Lent 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

WORSHIP TEAMS

MARCH 15

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Deb Chambers & Joe Coriaggio
Worship Leader: Jeanne Murray
Ushers: Mark Jackson & Madelyn Conroy
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Julie Cherry & Sue Collie
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski


MARCH 22

Acolyte: Bob Gadkowski
Greeters: Jan Eanes & Ruby Creason
Worship Leader: Marshall Cherry
Ushers: Rosalie Jones & Patricia Leary
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Jeanne Murray & Patricia Leary
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Holy Week Worship Opportunities** – We will have a Maundy Thursday Service at Sharon UMC on April 2nd at 7:00 pm. Pilmoor Memorial UMC will host the Good Friday Service on April 3rd at 7:00 pm and we will gather at the Currituck Ferry Dock for Sunrise Service on April 5th at 6:30 am.
- **SUMC 2026 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 2026 Application and submit a completed application no later than **May 1, 2026**.
 - **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 1, 2026**.
 - For more information, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or (252) 202-6401.
- **Art Fund Silent Auction** – At Sharon UMC local artists/crafters donate items to be used for our silent auction. Each month new artwork will be available for bidding. Proceeds go into an art fund to be used as needed for the ministries of the church. See Lee Hein or Jeanne Murray if you have questions or if you would like to donate your artwork for our silent auction.
- **Blessing Box** – We are in need of meals that can be easily prepared for our Blessing Box. Items Needed: **soups, canned meats (tuna, chicken, Spam), spaghetti sauce in a jar and pasta, fruit cups, Ramen noodles, etc.** Items can be placed in the collection container in the entryway of the church. Thanks for your support.
- **Online Giving** – You can donate by scanning the QR Code below.

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2026 Monthly Budget \$6,030.25	Received Last Month (February) \$5,401.08	Received Last Sunday \$1,790.00	