



Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Toni C. Wood, Pastor

Sunday, April 26, 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		Julie Cherry
Leader: We all like sheep have gone astray.		
People: <i>May the Good Shepherd gather us into his flock once again.</i>		
Leader: Come let us worship and bow down.		
People: <i>Let us kneel before the LORD, our God, our Maker.</i>		
Leader: For He is our God and we are the people of His pasture.		
People: <i>We are the sheep of His hand. Let us worship God!</i>		
*Affirmation of Faith	"A Statement of Faith of The Korean UMC"	On Screen/UMH 884
<i>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.</i>		
*Hymn of Praise	"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"	CH 359
Scripture Reading	Acts 2:42-47	Julie Cherry
Children's Message		
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Anthem	"All the Glory Belongs to 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 of Preparation	"Our God Reigns"	CH 372
Scripture Lesson	John 10:1-10	
Sermon	"The Good Shepherd"	
*Closing Hymn	"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"	CH 370
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth	"He Is Lord"	On Screen/CH 34
*Postlude		Anita Cotton

(* Please stand as you are able)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Apr. 26	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship
Mon. Apr. 27	12:00 pm – Lunch & Learn (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 2:15 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program
Tues. Apr. 28	4:00 pm – Red Wagon Ministry
Wed. Apr. 29	2:15 pm – SUMC Literacy Tutoring Program
Thurs. Apr. 30	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 4:00 pm – Choir Practice Happy Birthday to Ken Elliott
Sun. May 3	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

WORSHIP TEAMS

APRIL 26

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Donna Steigelman & Mark Jackson
Worship Leader: Julie Cherry
Ushers: Sylvia Kirk & Ruby Creason
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Donna Steigelman
Trustee: Joe Coriaggio

MAY 3

Acolyte: Kasey Fairley
Greeters: Deb Chambers & Joe Coriaggio
Worship Leader: Preston Murray
Ushers: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Jeanne Murray & Barbara Gadkowski
Trustee: Anita Cotton

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Lunch & Learn, Monday, April 27, 12:00 pm** – You're invited to meet every other Monday at noon in the Fellowship Hall, beginning April 27, to watch and discuss episodes of the documentary *The 1619 Project*. Bring a bag lunch and join in this learning experience. For more information, please contact Jeanne Murray at jeannemurray@gmail.com or (252) 423-0851.
- **SPM Salad and Sandwich Luncheon for GES, Wednesday, May 6, 10:00 am** – The School Partnership Mission Team (SPM) needs your help. We will be providing a salad/sandwich luncheon and desserts for the staff at Griggs Elementary School on Wednesday, May 6 for Teacher Appreciation Week. If you can help by providing a dessert or sandwiches, please contact Iris Meekins at 252-202-6401 to sign up. Please plan to bring your dessert or sandwiches to church on Wednesday, May 6 from 9:30 am - 10:00 am. The SPM Team will set up at the school by 10:15 am. If you are able to help deliver the food to the school, please let us know. Thanks!
- **National Day of Prayer Service, Thursday, May 7, 6:30 pm, Currituck County Middle School** – You are invited to this powerful prayer service as churches across Currituck County come together in unity to pray for our community and our nation.
- **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 **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. Participants in the scholarships must complete the 2026 Application and 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.
- **Online Giving** – You can donate by scanning the QR Code below.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2026 Monthly Budget \$6,030.25	Received Last Month (March) \$6,208.52	Received Last Sunday \$1,170.00	