Sharon United Methodist Church

Rev. Toni C. Wood, Pastor

Sunday, June 21, 2026 – 11:00 AM

Father's Day

Love Boldly
Serve Joyfully
Lead Courageously

Bringing in the Light of Christ — Marshall Cherry

Words of Welcome and Announcements — Jeanne Murray

Prelude — Anita Cotton

Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship — Julie Cherry

Leader: Friends, we gather this day to celebrate life –
People: The life we have been given by God,
Leader: The life we share with one another in community,
People: The life that Jesus gives in abundance.
Leader: Let us be grateful for the joy of life,
People: And let us worship God.

*Hymn of Praise — "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" — CH 33

Scripture Reading — Psalm 90:1-2; 14-17 — Julie Cherry

Children's Message

Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem — "Lord God, Almighty" — 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 of Preparation — "Peace like a River" — CH 750

Scripture Lesson — Romans 15:13, John 15:9-11, Nehemiah 8:10
Sermon — "Joyful Anyway"

*Closing Hymn — "The Joy of the Lord" — On Screen

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World

*Benediction

*Sending Forth — "Shalom to You" — On Screen / UMH 666

*Postlude — Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

Calendar of Events and Celebrations

Sun. June 21	Father's Day 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Jeanne Murray)
June 22-26	7:30 am – Summer Literacy Initiative
Wed. June 24	5:00 pm – Summer Literacy Initiative Family Engagement Night
Thurs. June 25	CANCELED - 7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) Happy Birthday to Sandy Eanes
Sat. June 27	5:00 pm – Choir Practice Charles & Joann Drake's Anniversary
Sun. June 28	Pastor Toni's Last Sunday 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship (Scholarship Recognition) 12:15 am – Farewell Luncheon

Worship Teams

JUNE 21

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: Marshall Cherry

JUNE 28

Acolyte: Kasey Fairley
Greeters: Janet Fairley & Patricia Leary
Worship Leader: Preston Murray
Ushers: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Jeanne Murray & Barbara Gadkowski
Trustee: Marshall Cherry

Upcoming Events/Announcements

- **Farewell Luncheon for Pastor Toni Wood and Joe Coriaggio, June 28, 12:15 pm** – Pastor Toni's last Sunday with us is June 28th, so let's celebrate her time with us with a fellowship luncheon after church that day. Bring a dish and share some time together. If you have any questions, please contact Sylvia Kirk at (252) 202-6648. **Note: Pastor Toni is allergic to onions and garlic. If your dish has any form of these, please label it.** June 28th is also our Scholarship Recognition Sunday and our recipients and their families have been invited to attend Worship with us. They may also join us for the fellowship luncheon so preparing a little extra food would be greatly appreciated.
- **Art for the Heart, Thursday, July 9th, 2:00 pm** – Need a mental health break? On the second Thursday of each month, beginning July 9th, Sharon UMC is hosting Art for the Heart, a mental health initiative. We'll have an artist to teach new skills as well as a brief presentation about mental health issues and resources. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. **To help us plan, please RSVP by June 30th by emailing, texting or calling Jeanne Murray at jeannemmurray@gmail.com or (252) 423-0851.**
- **Vacation Bible School - July 27-30, 5:30 - 8:00 pm** – Sharon UMC will again be hosting Vacation Bible School for Grades K-5! Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm. Children will be offered Music, Crafts, and a fun Bible Story each night. Volunteers are needed in all areas; materials will be provided. For more information, contact Anita Cotton at anitacotton@hotmail.com or (757) 286-0862. SPREAD THE WORD!
- **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	*Received Last Month (May)*	*Received Last Sunday*
$6,030.25	$6,119.08	$800.00

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