



Sharon United Methodist Church

Jeanne Murray, Pastor

Sunday, August 2, 2026 – 11:00 AM

Communion

**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: As we gather this day, each of us brings something to worship –		
People: <i>We bring the burdens of the week.</i>		
Leader: We bring prayers of hope, and prayers of anguish.		
People: <i>We bring our voices, and our offerings, and our questions.</i>		
Leader: We bring our faith, tattered or whole as it may be.		
People: <i>We bring all this to each other and to God, whom we worship today.</i>		
*Hymn of Praise	"Sanctuary"	On Screen/Lyrics
Scripture Reading	Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12	Julie Cherry
Children's Message		
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
God Sightings		
Pastoral Prayer		
Anthem	"Surely Goodness and Mercy"	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	"One Bread, One Body"	UMH 620
	Sermon Series: "Sermon on the Mount" Matthew 5-7	
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 6:1-15	
Sermon	"Actors or Authentic Followers?"	
Celebration of Holy Communion		
*Closing Hymn	"The Lord's Prayer"	On Screen/Video
*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. Aug. 2	UWF Penny and a Prayer begins 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship
Mon. Aug. 3	12:00 pm – Lunch & Learn (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray)
Wed. Aug. 5	10:00 am – Pastor's Office Hours (Learning Center)
Thurs. Aug. 6	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray)
Sun. Aug. 9	UWF Penny and a Prayer continues CANCELED - 9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – Choir Practice

WORSHIP TEAMS

AUGUST 2

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Donna Steigelman & Mark Jackson
Worship Leader: Julie Cherry
Ushers: Janet & Kasey Fairley
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Julie Cherry & Sue Collie
Trustee: Anita Cotton

AUGUST 9

Acolyte: Bob Gadkowski
Greeters: Deb Chambers & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Linda Kimble
Ushers: Diane Forbes & Bobbie Piper
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sue Collie & Patricia Leary
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.
- **UWF "Penny and a Prayer" August 2-23** – A Penny and a Prayer is an avenue of mission giving that is to put prayer back in our giving. The UWF invites everyone to take a container this Sunday (containers will be placed on the altar rail) or use a container of your choice and drop pennies or spare change in each time you pray, especially praying for our work as United Methodists in missions. All monies collected are sent directly to our District UWF to support missions. We will be doing our Penny and a Prayer from Sunday, August 2nd through Sunday, August 23rd and ask that you **return your filled container to the church no later than Sunday, August 23, 2026**. If you have any questions or to get a container, please contact Cathy Forbes at 252-202-1952. Thank you for your support of UWF.
- **Art for the Heart, Thursday, August 13, 2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall** – Need a mental health break? Join us on August 13th for Art for the Heart, a mental health initiative. LaWanda Anderson will be connecting the subject of mental health by using art and color therapy as well as physical movement. Susan Lee, from Saving Lives Task Force, will share a brief presentation about mental health issues. **To help us plan, please RSVP by August 1st by emailing, texting or calling Jeanne Murray at jeannemurray@gmail.com or (252) 423-0851.**
- **Worship Service at Currituck Health and Rehab, Sunday, August 16, 2:00 pm** – Sharon UMC will be leading the Worship Service on August 16 at 2:00 pm. Please join us at Currituck Health & Rehab in Barco.
- **GriefShare Group, Moyock UMC, Tuesday, August 18, 6:30 pm** – If you are dealing with grief from the death of a loved one, you are invited to our GriefShare group. There you will find a supportive group of folks to walk alongside you in your journey. Join us starting Tuesday, August 18th at 6:30 pm. Register at: <https://find.griefshare.org/groups/299317>
- **Online Giving** – You can donate by scanning the QR Code below.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2026 Monthly Budget \$6,030.25	Received Last Month (July) \$4,610.52	Received Last Sunday \$786.00	
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