



Sharon United Methodist Church
Jeanne Murray, Pastor
Sunday, July 12, 2026 – 11:00 AM

**Love Boldly
 Serve Joyfully
 Lead Courageously**



Bringing in the Light of Christ		Bob Gadkowski
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Jeanne Murray
Prelude		Anita Cotton
Opening Prayer		
*Call to Worship		Marshall Cherry
Leader: Come, all who thirst—come to the water! You who long for the water of life—come and drink!		
People: <i>Dip your soul in the river of God's goodness;</i>		
Leader: quench your thirst at God's well of grace.		
People: <i>For God is here among us,</i>		
Leader: offering living water to all who would drink!		
People: <i>Let's worship God together!</i>		
*Hymn of Praise	"Majesty"	CH 10
Scripture Reading	Luke 1:46-53	Marshall Cherry
Children's Message		
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Anthem	"We Are So Blessed"	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	"As the Deer"	CH 548
Disability Awareness Month		Sylvia Kirk
	Sermon Series: "Sermon on the Mount" Matthew 5-7	
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 5:1-12	
Sermon	"Blessed People"	
*Closing Hymn	"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"	CH 564
*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. July 12	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – Choir Practice
Mon. July 13	12:00 pm – Lunch & Learn (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray)
Wed. July 15	10:00 am – Pastor's Office Hours (Learning Center) Happy Birthday to Barbara Gadkowski Happy Birthday to Red Mangham
Thurs. July 16	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray)
Sun. July 19	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship

WORSHIP TEAMS

JULY 12

Acolyte: Bob Gadkowski
Greeters: Deb Chambers & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Marshall Cherry
Ushers: Julie Cherry & Patricia Leary
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Julie Cherry & Patricia Leary
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski

JULY 19

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Linda Kimble & Bobbie Piper
Worship Leader: Julie Cherry
Ushers: Sylvia Kirk & Diane Forbes
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Donna Steigelman
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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 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.**
- **Pastor's Office Hours** – Each Wednesday from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Jeanne Murray will hold office hours in the Learning Center. Come pray, chat, request hymns, talk about ministries, share ideas.
- **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.
- **Recorded Worship Services** – Each week the recorded Worship Service is posted to our YouTube Channel. If you missed a service or would like to watch past services, you can visit our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@sharonumcpoplarbranchnc9028.
- **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.
- **Red Wagon Ministry (located in the Mt. Zion parking lot)** – The Red Wagon ministry is in need of **Baby Diapers and Feminine Hygiene Products**. A collection container has been placed in the entryway.
- **Online Giving** – You can donate by scanning the QR Code below.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2026 Monthly Budget \$6,030.25	Received Last Month (June) \$9,188.77	Received Last Sunday \$1,655.00	
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