



Sharon United Methodist Church
Jeanne Murray, Pastor
Sunday, September 13, 2026 – 11:00 AM

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		Jason Forbes
Leader: In the quiet, in the calm, in the stillness,		
People: We seek God.		
Leader: In the clamor, in the cry, in the grief,		
People: We seek God.		
Leader: In this time, in this place, with each other,		
People: We seek God.		
Leader: Even as we seek, let us worship God.		
*Hymn of Praise	"God Has Spoken by His Prophets"	CH 407
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 61:1-3	Jason Forbes
Children's Message		
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
God Sightings		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Anthem	"Tell Me the Story of Jesus" with "I Love to Tell the Story"	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	"How Great Thou Art"	CH 147
Scripture Lesson	Sermon Series: "Holy Spirit"	
Sermon	1 Kings 19:1-14	
	"The Holy Spirit in the Old Testament"	
*Closing Hymn	"Thanks to God Whose Word Was Spoken"	CH 409
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth	"God Be with You"	On Screen/CH 232
*Postlude		Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. Sept. 13	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – Fellowship Luncheon
Mon. Sept. 14	11:00 am – Book/Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray)
Wed. Sept. 16	10:00 am – Pastor's Office Hours (Learning Center)
Thurs. Sept. 17	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray) 4:00 pm – Choir Practice
Sun. Sept. 20	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship Happy Birthday to Debbie Williams

WORSHIP TEAMS

SEPTEMBER 13

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Worship Leader: Jason Forbes
Ushers: Sylvia Kirk & Diane Forbes
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Donna Steigelman
Trustee: Marshall Cherry

SEPTEMBER 20

Acolyte: Julie Cherry
Greeters: Donna Steigelman & Sylvia Kirk
Worship Leader: Julie Cherry
Ushers: Bob Gadkowski & Marshall Cherry
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Barbara Gadkowski
Trustee: Marshall Cherry

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Book/Bible Study, Monday, September 14, 11:00 am** – Join us for a study of Adam Hamilton's *The Call - The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul* on Mondays at 11:00 am beginning on Monday, September 14 in the Learning Center. Please see Jeanne Murray for a copy of the book.
- **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: **microwaveable mac-n-cheese, canned or microwaveable pasta meals (such as spaghetti and meatballs, ravioli, ABC spaghetti), Ramen noodles, small jars of peanut butter and jelly, canned meat, etc.** Items can be placed in the collection container in the entryway of the church. Thanks for your support.
- **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.
- **Mailboxes** – Please be sure to check the mailboxes in the Mail Center in the library. You never know when a card with your name on it may appear!
- **Altar Flowers 2026** – If you would like to place altar flowers in the church "in memory of" or "in honor of" a special person, please contact Iris Meekins at imeekins14@gmail.com or 252-202-6401.
- **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 (August) \$5,505.52	Received Last Sunday \$1,936.00	
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