




Impacting lives through faith, action, and the power of positive prayer

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The Endowment Fund at Sharon UMC was established for the purpose of providing members and friends, the opportunity to make charitable gifts to the church, that will become a lasting source of financial support and a living memorial. A gift that keeps on giving. Have you remembered the church in your will?
(the Endowment Committee)

Treasurer's Report
 Income for Jan. Operating Budget: \$11,798
 Expenses for Jan. Operating Budget: \$11,214
 surplus for January: \$584
 Please return your pledge card. Thank you

Don't forget to turn your clocks
 one hour AHEAD on
 Saturday night, March 8th



IMPORTANT
 If an emergency arises and Pastor Mee is out of town, she will always leave a local pastor's number that can be contacted. Call the office (364-3688) or the office manager (after hours: 845-2074) for that information. Thank you.

Sharon Religious Arts Ministries (RAM) for March

March has us looking to springtime and to Lent. Let's see what the Sharon RAM ministries has in store for you in March.



March 2nd has the Chancel Choir singing a fun gospel song: "Glory Time". March 5th is Ash Wednesday and the InBetweeners group has a wonderful Ash Wednesday service prepared for us at 7pm.

March 9th, we all set our clocks ahead to Daylight Savings Time and the choir sings a Gaither hymn: "The Longer I Serve Him". On March 16th, the choir sings "Thank You For The Valleys" and on March 23rd the choir sings a powerful praise hymn from five years ago: "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)".

The Puppet Troupe performs on March 29th.

We are looking forward to worshipping with you every Sunday in March.

God is good. God bless.

John and Karen Wagner
Religious Arts Ministry Directors



A Sound System Request:

If you have a CD/DVD that needs to be used in a service, please notify the sound person before that Sunday. Some of the new formats do not work with our system, and there is no time to check this out if you bring them right before worship. Thank you

Contact person: Dale Usher

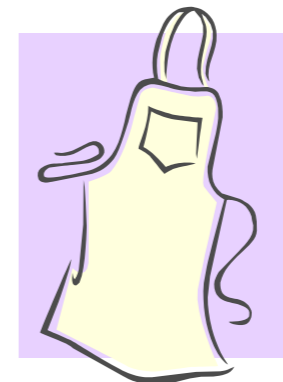
NEW SHIRTS and APRONS

We are now taking orders for the new Sharon Shirt (neon green with our mission statement) and new brown aprons with our logo.

Shirts are \$10 for adult sizes S, M, L, XL and \$12 for adult sizes XXL and larger; children's shirts are \$8 for S, M, L, XL, and aprons are \$15.

There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway or call the church office (364-3688) to place your order.

Questions?: contact Duane Usher



MISSION/OUTREACH PROJECTS



Recent projects:

11 people helped serve a potluck dinner to 17 Methwick residents.

Ongoing projects:

Sharon Food Pantry for members and constituents:
The church has some shelves stocked with food items in the back hallway near the Sunday School rooms. If you are struggling financially, please use this resource.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Anyone interested in being part of the sound crew on Sundays, or on special occasions, please contact the office.

Would you like to be part of a cleaning crew?
See Dale Usher



Funeral Helpers

If you would be interested in helping out with church funerals, there is a sign-up sheet in the hallway or give the office a call and you will be added to the list.

Green Square Meals

Don't forget to sign up to help serve at the Green Square Meal site.
Sharon Church helps on the 1st/5th Thursday of every month



**SMALL GROUP
OPPORTUNITIES**

Chat 'n Chew

Meets Monday, March 10th
8:30am
Tommy's Restaurant
anyone is invited to come

Sarah Circle:

March 20th - 6:30pm
Hostess: Karen Reid
Devotion: Karen McNeal
Lesson: Jackie Spudic

*Program books are now
available - see Joan Foster

Any woman in the church is
invited to attend.



Mini-Youth
for grades 3-6

watch the bulletin for future activities

FIC - Friends in Christ

Ages 50 and beyond.
Soup Lunch and Talent Show
March 9th @ 11:00pm

InBetweeners

Ages college to 50
March 22
Progressive Dinner
contact: Amanda Frank

Knit Wits

March 19th - 11:00am
Wicker Hill Tea Room
in Marion
anyone is invited to come

Prayer Shawl Ministry

meets every Thursday at 3:00pm
in the Sharon Room
knitting, crocheting, prayer and
fellowship

Youth Group

grades 7-12

watch the bulletin for
future activities

Women's Bible Study

Meets every Monday
@ 9:30am
in the kitchen



Bible Study

Meets every Wednesday
@5:30pm
in the Sharon Room



Walking Moai

Sharon members can now walk at the downtown YMCA
on
Monday-Wednesday-Friday @ 3pm
and
Tuesday-Thursday @ 2pm or 6pm

contact: Toni Overton to be put on the list attending

Sharon's Kitchen

March 15th
@9am

menu selection:
Easy Enchiladas
Holy Cow Short Ribs
Mini Meatloaves
Tomato Pastine Soup

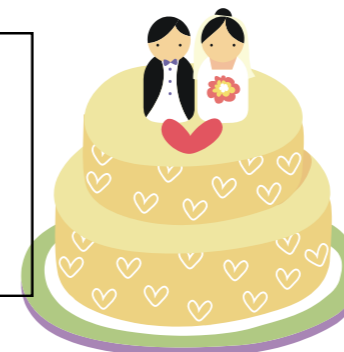
contact: Kathy Milroy



The Sharon Library
has some new
videos and
music CD's
available for
check out

March Anniversaries

09 - Tami & Steve Flockhart
11 - Ann & Vern Bagley
15 - Gloria & Bill Jahnel





In our prayers:

Pastor Jack Kendall

Paula Wilcox - Linda Odeen's sister

Roger Bussey - Tamara Boxa's father

Nadine Speer

Mike Eden - Dora Eden's son & Rona Gilbert's brother

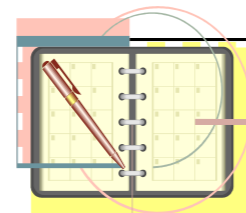
for the family of Bob Olson who passed from this life on Feb. 20

One Great Hour of Sharing

On March 30th, a special offering will be received for United Methodist programs that make the love of Christ real for individuals and communities who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict, or severe economic hardship, and for those who serve them through gifts of money and time.

100 percent of every dollar you give, helps UMCOR as it responds to disaster survivors and people in need around the world. Please consider giving on this Sunday.

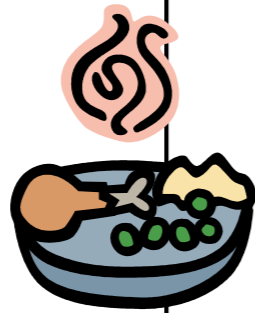
Thank you.



Notes from the Office Manager

- Please keep the office up to date on your address, email and phone numbers.
- The scheduling of the use of Fellowship Hall, the Sharon Room, or the sanctuary, needs to be done through the church office to avoid any scheduling conflicts.
- Articles for the bulletin need to be submitted by Thursday morning.
- Articles for the newsletter, including group activities, need to be submitted by the 20th of the month.
- Committee chairpersons and leaders of groups - please check the mail boxes outside the church office once a week for any important information.
- If you have an article for the bulletin board, please put it in the office.
- The office is open Tues, Wed, Fri: 8:30-11:30; Thurs: noon-3pm
- Thank you!!!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING ACTIVITIES



“FAT TUESDAY” DINNER and CELEBRATION
March 4th @ 6pm
All church members, friends, and surrounding community are invited to share a meal on this night before Lent. Enjoy a dinner of chicken, potatoes, vegetables, cole slaw and dessert, followed by games and a hymn sing. Help us make this an annual tradition at Sharon Church.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service
March 5 @ 7pm
The InBetweeners will be leading the service as we begin the season of Lent.



ANNUAL SOUP LUNCH & TALENT SHOW
March 9 after worship
A lunch of various soups and desserts is provided and afterwards stay for a showcase of Sharon’s talent.



Lenten Study
6 week session starting
Sunday, March 9 @ 6:30pm



New member class
beginning Wednesday
March 12 @ 6:00pm
please see Pastor Mee
if you are interested in
attending

Guide for Daily Scripture Reading of the Month-

The Whole Bible in a Year

3/1	Leviticus 24:1-25:46 Mark 10:13-31 Psalm 44:9-26 Proverbs 10:20-21	3/11	Numbers 15:17-16:40 Mark 15:1-47 Psalm 54:1-7 Proverbs 11:5-6	3/21	Numbers 32:1-33:39 Luke 4:31-5:11 Psalm 64:1-10 Proverbs 11:22
3/2	Leviticus 25:47-27:13 Mark 10:32-52 Psalm 45:1-17 Proverbs 10:22	3/12	Numbers 16:41-18:32 Mark 16:1-20 Psalm 55:1-23 Proverbs 11:7	3/22	Numbers 33:40-35:34 Luke 5:12-28 Psalm 65:1-13 Proverbs 11:23
3/3	Leviticus 27:14-Numbers 1:54 Mark 11:1-26 Psalm 46:1-11 Proverbs 10:23	3/13	Numbers 19:1-20:29 Luke 1:1-25 Psalm 56:1-13 Proverbs 11:8	3/23	Numbers 36:1-Deuteronomy 1:46 Luke 5:29-6:11 Psalm 66:1-20 Proverbs 11:24-26
3/4	Numbers 2:1-3:51 Mark 11:27-12:17 Psalm 47:1-9 Proverbs 10:24-25	3/14	Numbers 21:1-22:20 Luke 1:26-56 Psalm 57:1-11 Proverbs 11:9-11	3/24	Deuteronomy 2:1-3:29 Luke 6:12-38 Psalm 67:1-7 Proverbs 11:27
3/5	Numbers 4:1-5:31 Mark 12:18-37 Psalm 48:1-14 Proverbs 10:26	3/15	Numbers 22:21-23:30 Luke 1:57-80 Psalm 58:1-11 Proverbs 11:12-13	3/25	Deuteronomy 4:1-49 Luke 6:39-7:10 Psalm 68:1-18 Proverbs 11:28
3/6	Numbers 6:1-7:89 Mark 12:38-13:13 Psalm 49:1-20 Proverbs 10:27-28	3/16	Numbers 24:1-25:18 Luke 2:1-35 Psalm 59:1-17 Proverbs 11:14	3/26	Deuteronomy 5:1-6:25 Luke 7:11-35 Psalm 68:19-35 Proverbs 11:29-31
3/7	Numbers 8:1-9:23 Mark 13:14-37 Psalm 50:1-23 Proverbs 10:29-30	3/17	Numbers 26:1-51 Luke 2:36-52 Psalm 60:1-12 Proverbs 11:15	3/27	Deuteronomy 7:1-8:20 Luke 7:36-8:3 Psalm 69:1-18 Proverbs 12:1
3/8	Numbers 10:1-11:23 Mark 14:1-21 Psalm 51:1-19 Proverbs 10:31-32	3/18	Numbers 26:52-28:15 Luke 3:1-22 Psalm 61:1-8 Proverbs 11:16-17	3/28	Deuteronomy 9:1-10:22 Luke 8:4-21 Psalm 69:19-36 Proverbs 12:2-3
3/9	Numbers 11:24-13:33 Mark 14:22-52 Psalm 52:1-9 Proverbs 11:1-3	3/19	Numbers 28:16-29:40 Luke 3:23-38 Psalm 62:1-12 Proverbs 11:18-19	3/29	Deuteronomy 11:1-12:32 Luke 8:22-39 Psalm 70:1-5 Proverbs 12:4
3/10	Numbers 14:1-15:16 Mark 14:53-72 Psalm 53:1-6 Proverbs 11:4	3/20	Numbers 30:1-31:54 Luke 4:1-30 Psalm 63:1-11 Proverbs 11:20-21	3/30	Deuteronomy 13:1-15:23 Luke 8:40-9:6 Psalm 71:1-24 Proverbs 12:5-7
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Names in *Italics* are birthdays. Contact us if we missed yours.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Don't forget to turn your clocks AHEAD one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, March 8th.		1 Mini-youth overnighiter
2 9am: Sunday School 10am: Worship Service 6:30pm: Patrol Leaders Council	3 9:30am: Women's Bible Study 6:30pm: Boy Scouts <i>Toni Overton</i>	4 6pm FAT TUESDAY MEAL <i>Sue Usher</i>	5 5:30pm: Bible Study 6:00pm: Chancel Choir 7:00pm: Ash Wednesday Service	6 10am: Outreach Mtg 3:00pm: Prayer Shawl 3-6pm: Green Square Meals	7 <i>Derald Stepanek</i>	8 Turn your clocks ahead
9 9am: Sunday School 10am: Worship Service 11am: Soup Lunch and Talent Show 6:30pm: Lenten Study #1 <i>Bud Rayborn</i>	10 8:30am Chat 'n Chew @ Tommy's 9:30am: Women's Bible Study 6:30pm: Boy Scouts	11	12 5:30pm: Bible Study 6:00pm: New Member Class 6:30pm: Chancel Choir	13 10am: Outreach Mtg 3:00pm: Prayer Shawl	14	15 9am Sharon's Kitchen <i>Jan Kuda</i>
16 9am: Sunday School 10am: Worship Service 5:00pm: Council Meeting 6:30pm: Scouts Committee Mtg 6:30pm: Lenten Study #2	17 9:30am: Women's Bible Study 6:30pm: Boy Scouts <i>Allison Clements Florence Glass Tim Odeen</i>	18 <i>Kyle Lockhart</i>	19 11:00am Knit Wits@ Wicker Hill Tea Room 5:30pm: Bible Study 6:00pm: New Member Class 6:30pm: Chancel Choir 7:30pm: Worship Mtg	20 3:00pm: Prayer Shawl 6:30pm: Sarah Circle @ Karen Reid's	21 <i>Veronica Cerka</i>	22 InBetweeners Progressive Dinner
23 9am: Sunday School 10am: Worship Service 6:30pm: Lenten Study #3 <i>Bonnie Blackmer & Dan LeGrand</i>	24 9:30am: Women's Bible Study 6:30pm: Boy Scouts <i>Bill Barvinek Nathan Evenson</i>	25 <i>Macy Boxa</i>	26 5:30pm: Bible Study 6:00pm: New Member Class 6:30pm: Chancel Choir	27 3:00pm Prayer Shawl	28	29
30 9am: Sunday School 10am: Worship Service 6:30pm: Lenten Study #4	31					

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We're on the web!
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March Helpers						
Date	Greeters	Liturgist	Hymn Leader	Sound System	Laptop	Cleaning Crew
2	Jason Clements Sonya Clements Rona Gilbert Mary Kennedy	John Wagner	Zach Wagner	Dale Usher	David Hornocker	Flockhart
9	Jan McMann Karen Reid Willia Rinehart Mary Reeve	Tami Flockhart	Kathleen Weiss	Duane Usher	Doris Leonard	Boxa
16	Sandy Tomash Phyllis Daugherty Kathy Patterson Mary Boxa	Marcy Usher	Tim Ruppert	Bill Jahnel	Mark Achey	Dale Usher
23	Bill Jahnel Nancy Nelson Paul Newman Linda Odeen	Gloria Jahnel	John Wagner	Dale Usher	Mary Boxa	Evenson/Chyma Pasker
30	Jan Kuda Joan Foster Joyce Lins Marcy Usher	Mark Achey	Tim Ruppert	Steve Flockhart	Phyllis Daugherty	Tomash