

Sharon Presbyterian Church

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP | 10:30 AM | MARCH 29, 2026 | PALM SUNDAY



Celebrating Christ's gift of salvation, our grateful worship of God guides the mission of Sharon Presbyterian Church:

*Rooted in God's grace, Growing in faith,
Sharing the joy of Christ, Loving and serving all*

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Welcome to our guests today! Please sign the Friendship Pad when it is passed down the pew.

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. Infants through 4-year-olds are welcome in the nursery from 8:15am to 11:45am. Children's worship activity bags are in the back of the sanctuary.

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Prelude | **Prelude on "What Wondrous Love"** | Arr. Dixon | R. Lance Burnette

Life of the Church

+ Sharing the Peace of Christ

+ Trinity Chimes

Procession of Palms | **Arise and Sing, Behold the King** | Sorenson

Chancel Choir, Children's Choir, Spirit Ringers

Call to Worship

+ Hymn No. 196 | **All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

+ Call to Confession

+ Prayer of Confession


**Holy One,
forgive us when we do not trust your word
or follow where you lead us.
Forgive us for playing it safe.
When we choose greed over generosity
or self image over our loyalty to you,
we ask your forgiveness.
Give us strength to follow you
even when it is risky.
Give us courage to claim you as our Savior
even when other voices lure us away from you.
Give us wisdom to shout "Hosanna!"
even when others are silent.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

(A moment for personal reflection and confession)

+ Assurance of God's Grace

People of God,
there will be days when we dare not follow,
when we ignore God's call,
when we choose comfort over courage,
and ourselves over others.
And yet, God's grace abounds.

**Nothing can separate us from God's love.
We are loved and forgiven.
Amen.**





+ Hymn of Response | **O Lamb of God**

**O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us, Lamb of God,
and grant us your peace.**

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SCAN TO VIEW



Paper copies are
always available
in the narthex
and church
office!

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem | **Hosanna We Sing!** | *Eernisse* | Children's Choir

Children's Sermon

Children's Worship: After the Children's Sermon, young children ages 3 through 7 are invited to a special worship time in the Barbara Ward Building, where parents and guardians can meet them after worship.

Scripture Reading | Matthew 21:1-11

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon | **Who is this?** | Rev. Julie Walkup Bird

+ Hymn No. 209; verses 1, 2, 3 | **My Song Is Love Unknown**

Scripture Reading | Matthew 27:11-14; 24-26; 32-37

Anthem | **When I Survey the Wondrous Cross** | *Martin* | Chancel Choir

LIVING INTO GOD'S WORD

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and glory forever. Amen.

Giving Thanks

You may give by placing gifts in the offering plates, texting sharonpc to 73256, or scanning the QR code

One Great Hour of Sharing is one of three PCUSA Special Offerings, providing vital support to communities impacted by natural disasters and offering ongoing assistance to those facing poverty, food insecurity, and injustice. Join us in giving hope by giving generously using the PCUSA Special Offerings envelopes in the pews and Friendship Pads.

ONLINE GIVING



+ Doxology | **A Lenten Doxology** | *Bourgeois*

**Praise God throughout these forty days.
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And Praise the Spirit who imparts God's love
in Christ into our hearts. Amen.**

+ Prayer of Dedication





+ Hymn No. 216 | ***Beneath the Cross of Jesus***

If you are seeking a church home and would like to learn more about Sharon Presbyterian, please speak to a pastor after the service or contact the church office.

+ Charge and Benediction

+ Choral Benediction | ***Turn Away from Sin*** | *Manolo* | Chancel Choir

+ Postlude | ***O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*** | *Arr. Rouse* | R. Lance Burnette



+ All who are able may stand

Please see an usher for hearing aids, large print Bibles, and hymnals.

Today's Worship Leaders: Rev. Julie Walkup Bird, *Senior Pastor*; Rev. Ron E. Nelson, *Associate Pastor*; Todd Barnhill, *Director of Music*; R. Lance Burnette, *Associate Director of Music and Organist*; Melinda Boyle, *Children's Music Director*; Kiana Bargeman, *AV Technician*; Scott Koeniger, Lauren Wall, Allison Wieland, *Liturgists*.

Easter lily order and dedication forms are in the narthex. Checks and order forms may be placed in the offering plate or dropped off in the church office. Make checks payable to Sharon Presbyterian and earmark for Easter Lilies.

Sign up to sponsor the worship flower arrangement for an anniversary, birthday, memorial/honorarium, or special occasion using the clipboard in the narthex.

Remember in Prayer: Bob Jendron, Nancy Davis, Don Welch, Ethan Lewis, Patty Blackburn, Dawn Utsman, Ava Howard, Lisa Cline Riley, Mary Jo Parnell, Bill Moorefield, David Wilson, Lance Burnette, Our Homebound Members, Eleanor Golden (Aimee Barnhill's grandmother), Eugene Segreti (Tony Segreti's brother), Raphael G (Maud Meulstee's son), Mark Lewis (Greg Lewis' brother), Chris Thomas (Martha Jane Thomas' son), James Johnson (Dave Johnson's son), Lee Manning (Jo Ann Manning's son), Puriyninchik and Our Peru Mission Partners, and Mark Adams and Miriam Maldonado Escobar (Frontera de Cristo, US-Mexico Border). *The prayer list is reset on the first Sunday of each month. To submit or resubmit a prayer request, please contact Rev. Nelson at ron@sharonpcusa.org. By request, prayer concerns may remain private and will not appear in the published list.*

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