

Sharon Presbyterian Church

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP | 10:30 AM | APRIL 26, 2026 | CHILDREN'S SABBATH



Artwork by Luke Kriener



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 | ***Children of the Heavenly Father*** | Arr. Hamlin | R. Lance Burnette

Life of the Church

+ Sharing the Peace of Christ

+ Trinity Chimes

+ Call to Worship | Ella Fincher

In the beginning was the Word,

And the Word was God.

God so loved the world,

God gave God's only Son.

Jesus loves us, this we know,

For the Bible tells us so.

Let us worship God with joy!

+ Hymn No. 20 | ***All Things Bright and Beautiful***

+ Call to Confession | Van Talley

+ Prayer of Confession

God of Love,

we are all your children.

We are sorry for our mistakes.

We all need to learn new things.

We are all hungry for your love.

Forgive us for not seeing your image in each person.

Help us celebrate all your children

and enjoy learning

about your love, joy, and peace. Amen.

(A moment for personal reflection and confession)

+ Assurance of God's Grace

We are all precious children in God's sight.

Because of Jesus' love and grace, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

+ Hymn of Response | ***Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me***

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. (3x)

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Siena Riley Parker | Child of Johnathan and Maria Parker

The Elder assisting
with the baptism
today is Suzanne
Parker

Hymn of Response No. 482 | **Baptized in Water**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King.
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praises we sing.**

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

Children's Worship: Children's Worship will not be offered today to allow all to be present in worship for Children's Sabbath. Children's Worship will resume next Sunday, May 3rd.

Prayer for Illumination | Berkeley Barnhill

Scripture Reading | Genesis 1:26-27;31 | Cade Cornetta

Anthem | **Sing a New Song** | Ruth Elaine Schram | Children's Choir

Scripture Reading | 1 John 3:1-2 | Anvita Nelapti

Sermon | **Created in God's Image** | Rev. Julie Walkup Bird & Sonia Lee

+ Hymn No. 487; verses 1, 3, 4 | **These Treasured Children**

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SCAN TO VIEW



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

LIVING INTO GOD'S WORD

+ Affirmation of Faith

**Jesus called children to him and he blessed them.
Children have essential lessons to teach us about the kingdom of God.
We affirm that all God's children have gifts and talents to use for God's glory.
We recommit ourselves to ensuring that all of God's children
are given equal opportunities to access basic resources,
learn in safe environments,
play with other children,
use their creativity,
and grow and thrive in community.
We affirm your call to advocate for children in our local and global communities
and to share your love with all. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer | Rev. Ron E. Nelson & Ron Pringle

**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.**

Minute for Gratitude | Sharon Presbyterian Weekday School | Laura Christie

ONLINE GIVING



Giving Thanks | Ella Fincher

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+ Doxology | **Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow****Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.****Praise God, all creatures high and low.****Alleluia, alleluia!****Praise God, in Jesus fully known:****Creator, Word, and Spirit one.****Alleluia, alleluia!****Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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and would like to
learn more about
Sharon

Presbyterian,
please speak to a
pastor after the
service or contact
the church office.

+ Prayer of Dedication | Ella Fincher

+ Hymn No. 742 | **We Will Walk with God**

+ Charge and Benediction

+ Choral Benediction | **We Will Walk with God** | *South Africa* | Chancel Choir+ Postlude | **Children's Medley** | *Arr. Hayes* | 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*; Sonia Lee, *Director of Christian Education*; Todd Barnhill, *Director of Music*; R. Lance Burnette, *Associate Director of Music and Organist*; Melinda Boyle, *Children's Choir Director*; Ron Pringle, *Children's Worship Leader*; Jackson Owens, *AV Technician*; Berkeley Barnhill, Cobie Barnhill, Lily Christie, Cade Cornetta, Margo Cornetta, Ella Fincher, Benjamin Kuremsky, Thomas Kuremsky, Anvita Nelapti, Eva Parker, Van Talley, *Worship Leaders*; Maris Adams, Charlie DeLucia, Daniel DeLucia, Brinley Evans, Ben Fincher, Lily Fincher, Annie Hardin, Truman Talley, *Puppeteers*.

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Kaye Wall in loving memory of her mother, Mary Cherry, and sister, Mary Tate.

Mother's Day 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 Mother's Day.

Remember in Prayer: Mark Earnhardt, Merrill Tibbals, Bob Jendron, Nancy Davis, Don Welch, Ava Howard, Lisa Cline Riley, Bill Moorefield, David Wilson, Lance Burnette, Our Homebound Members, Ava Thomas (Tammy Bagyi's mother), 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.*

Deepest sympathy in Christ is extended to Charles Alley in the death of his brother-in-law, Ed Kelly, who died on April 18, 2026.

Deepest sympathy in Christ is extended to Sonia Lee in the death of her mother, Ruth Marie Taylor Lee, who died on April 20, 2026.