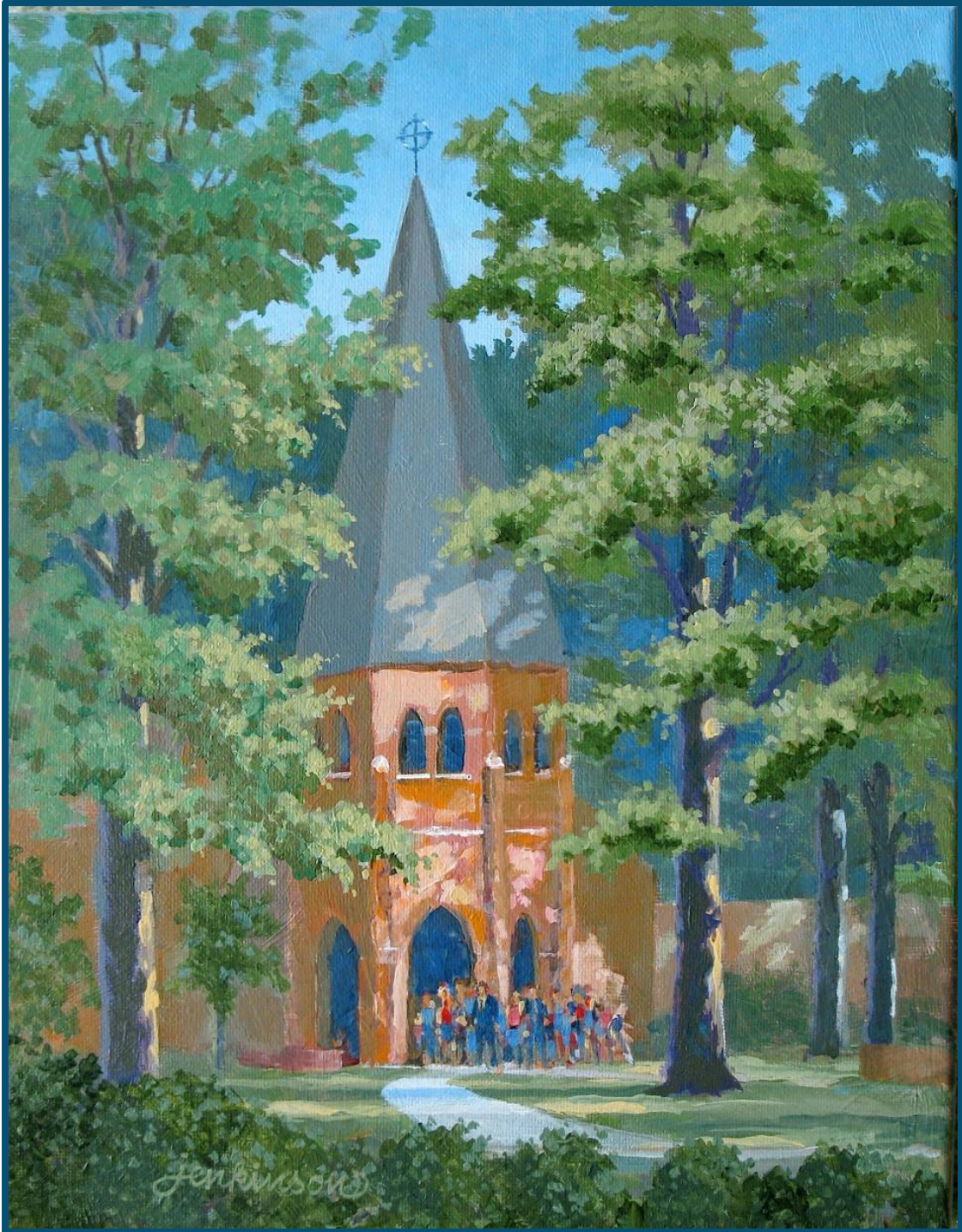


Sharon Presbyterian Church

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP | 10:30 AM | MAY 10, 2026 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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.

Prelude | ***Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*** | Arr. Varner | R. Lance Burnette

Life of the Church

+ Sharing the Peace of Christ

+ Trinity Chimes

+ Call to Worship

God, the Divine Voice,
sings and the universe comes into being.
 God, the Divine Breath,
breathes and all things spring to life.
 God, the Divine Word,
calls and creation is sustained.
 God, the Divine Flesh,
is born among us and clothed in creation.
 God, the Divine Spirit,
fills all that lives with possibility.
 People of God, let us worship with thanksgiving.

+ Hymn No. 619 | ***Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven***

+ Call to Confession

+ Prayer of Confession

Loving God,
in Jesus you offer life to the world
and love to its people.
When we see life only for ourselves,
have mercy upon us.
When we doubt your love for us
forgive us.
Speak to us
in the language of your transforming love
that we would honor the dignity and worth
of others
and claim our belonging in you.
We pray in Jesus name. Amen.
(A moment for personal reflection and confession)

+ Assurance of God's Grace

Jesus says,
 "I will not leave you orphaned.
 Because I live, you also will live."
 Jesus loves us and saves us.
Thanks be to God for this wondrous love!

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

May at Sharon
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SCAN TO VIEW



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

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

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 | Ezekiel 34:1-6

Anthem | ***More Love to Thee*** | *Shaw* | Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading | John 14:15-21

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon | ***The Spirit of Truth*** | Rev. Julie Walkup Bird

+ Hymn No. 831 | ***I Depend upon Your Faithfulness***

LIVING INTO GOD'S WORD

+ Affirmation of Faith: From A Declaration of Faith

**The Word which was with God from the beginning
was embodied in Jesus Christ.**

**We hold that what God says to us and does for us
centers in Jesus Christ our living Lord
as he is remembered, known, and expected.**

**In Christ, God's Word of acceptance takes flesh;
by grace through faith**

**we are set right with God,
adopted as children of God,
not because of anything we have done,
but because of what Christ has done.**

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.**

ONLINE GIVING

**Giving Thanks**

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

Offertory | ***Like a River Glorious*** | *Arr. Lopez* | Nancy Lucas

+ 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!

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.

+ Prayer of Dedication

+ Hymn No. 270 | ***O Lord, You Are My God and King***

+ Charge and Benediction

+ Choral Benediction | ***Our Strength and Our Song*** | *Patterson* | Chancel Choir

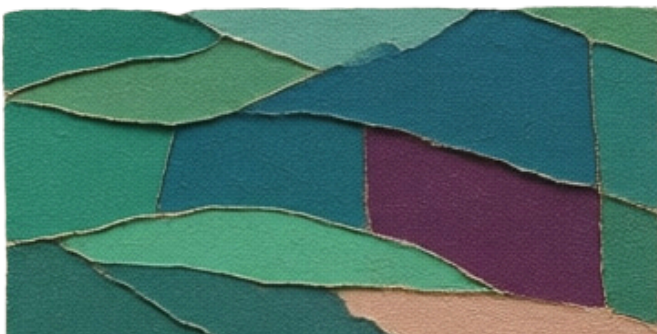
+ Postlude | ***Rigaudon*** | *Young* | R. Lance Burnette

+ 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*; Jackson Owens, *AV Technician*; McRae Adams, *Liturgist*.

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



MOTHER'S DAY MEMORIAL & HONOR GIFTS

SHARON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHARLOTTE, NC

2026 MOTHER'S DAY MEMORIAL GIFTS

The flowers have been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Joyce Bird, by Adrian, Julie, Nathan, and Lydia Bird

Johnnie Blackburn, by The DeLucia Family

Melvene Blanchard, by Elaine B. Eichler – daughter

Lola Butler, by Rodgery McClain (Dr.)

Jean Calabretta, by Laura, Sturgeon, Lily, and James Christie

Shirley Carlson, by Mike McGarity

Doris Cecil, by Robin and Jim Harrill

Edith Christian, by Alan Christian

Grace Cottom, by Jean Cottom

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Geraldine Milkey (Gammy), *by Harris, Carter, and Holden Milkey*
Gertrude Miller, *by Mary and John Miller*
Notra McNatt, *by Ralph McNatt*
Cindy Parker, *by Ken and Suzanne Parker*
Annamay Pollard, *by Suzanne Pearce*
Christine Price, *by The Milkey Family*
Joyce Rea, *by Robin, Dan, Beth, and Haley Rea; Jessica, Christian, and Darcy McCullen*
Virginia Rounds, *by Pete and Myra Rounds*
Deborah Scalise, *by The Gonzalez Family*
Johanna Stahl, *by The DeLucia Family*
Leona Snyder, *by Mary and John Miller*
Dorothy Stewart, *by Pete and Myra Rounds*
Hattie Mae Utsman, *by The Sherman Family*
Rochelle H. Utsman, *by The Utsman Family*
Aileen Wallace, *by Laura, Sturgeon, Lily, and James Christie*
Nancy Waller, *by Catherine Hines*
Lois Williamson, *by Jean Cottom*
Mary Hardin Williamson, *by H. David Williamson*

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The flowers have been given to the glory of God and in loving honor of:

Betsy Adams, by Carmen, Mike, McRae, and Maris Adams

Carmen Adams, by Mike, McRae, and Maris Adams

Rev. Sharon Altenburg, by Moira and Rev. Rhonda McClain

Pam Beers, by Ella, Elizabeth, Drew, and Davis

Julie Walkup Bird, by Nathan and Lydia Bird

Julie Walkup Bird, by The Milkey Family

Sarah Bond, by Brooks

Noni Buchanan, by Amanda and Chris Buchanan

Maria Calabretta, by Laura, Sturgeon, Lily, and James Christie

Nancy Calabretta, by Laura, Sturgeon, Lily, and James Christie

Donna Christie, by Laura, Sturgeon, Lily, and James Christie

Alice Crossgrove Clinger, by Bob and Linda Griffin

Hallie Cornetta, by The Cornetta Family

Brooke Davis, by Bruce and Delbra Davis

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Katie Davis, by Bruce and Delbra Davis

Joyce DeLucia, by The DeLucia Family

Miriam Douglas, by The Gonzalez Family

Mary Wain Ellison, by Amanda and Chris Buchanan

Mary Kay Fording, by The Gonzalez Family

Linda Griffin, by Sarah and Mia

Jessica Hardin, by Annie and Grace Hardin

Robin Harrill, by Zach, Abby, and Jim Harrill

Catherine Hines, by Bryan and Sydney Hines

Jennifer Howard, by Ross Howard

Mary Hudson, by Melanie Hudson

Jeanne Jones, *by The DeLucia Family*
Rhonda McClain, *by Dr. Rodgery and Moira McClain*
Sally McClure, *by Jolie McClure*
Mary McGarity, *by Mike McGarity*
Glenda McKinnon, *by Moira McClain*
Claire McLendon, *by Mike McGarity*
Linda Measamer, *by Ken and Suzanne Parker*
Alice Mering, *by Jessica, Annie, and Grace Hardin*
Kathie Kilmer, *by The Cornetta Family*
Caitlin Parker, *by Ken and Suzanne Parker*
Emily Parker, *by Melanie Hudson*
Maria Parker, *by Ken and Suzanne Parker*
Melinda Parker, *by Melanie Hudson*
Suzanne Parker (the greatest), *by Andrew, Johnathan, Grant, and Holden*
Suzanne Parker, *by Susan Milkey*
Suzanne Peace, *by Carmen, Mike, McRae, and Maris Adams*
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Sherrill Suiter, *by Susan Milkey*
Gregory Lynn Tennent, *by Susan Milkey*
Ava Thomas, *by The Bagyi Family*
Merrill Tibbals, *by Susan Milkey*
Dawn Utsman, *by The Utsman, Dougherty, and Sherman Families*
Karen Weir, *by The DeLucia Family*
All Mothers, *by Mike McGarity*

