

Sharon Presbyterian Church

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP | 10:30 AM | SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 | SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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 "SLANE"*** | Fey | R. Lance Burnette

Life of the Church

+ Sharing the Peace of Christ

+ Trinity Chimes

+ Call to Worship

People of God, rejoice!

We are named and claimed by God.

Rejoice in the generosity of the Lord.

God's generosity inspires us to give generously.

Rejoice in the compassion of the Lord.

God's compassion inspires us to show compassion.

Rejoice in the grace of the Lord.

God's grace inspires us to share grace.

Rejoice and worship with joy.

+ Hymn No. 804 | ***Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!***

+ Call to Confession

+ Prayer of Confession

Lord of life,

you give and give

and we take and take.

We often forget the joy of giving,

the spiritual discipline of sharing,

and the value of contributing to the life of others.

Forgive our selfish ways.

Encourage our connections with others.

Inspire us to serve you willingly

and shower grace on our neighbors.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(A moment for personal reflection and confession)

+ Assurance of God's Grace

Friends, hear the good news! Only God is God.

We are God's people. God is abounding in steadfast love.

We are the recipients of God's lavish grace,

called to share that grace with others.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

+ Hymn of Response No. 582 | ***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.**

September at
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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 | Psalm 105:1-6

Anthem | ***Great is Thy Faithfulness*** | Dan Forrest | Chancel Choir

Dramatic Scripture Reading | Matthew 20:1-16

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon | ***A place in the line*** | Rev. Julie Walkup Bird

+ Hymn No. 693 | ***Though I May Speak***

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.

Minute for Stewardship | **NAMED & CLAIMED: SHARING GOD'S GIFTS** | Truman Talley

Giving Thanks

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

+ Doxology | ***Give Thanks***

**Give thanks with a grateful heart;
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. (2x)
And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"
Give thanks. Give thanks.**

ONLINE GIVING



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. 716 | **God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending**

+ Charge and Benediction

+ Choral Benediction | **God is So Good** | Anon. | Chancel Choir

+ Postlude | **Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart** | Arr. Torrans | 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*; Sonia Lee, *Director of Christian Education*; Todd Barnhill, *Director of Music*; R. Lance Burnette, *Associate Director of Music and Organist*; Zack Nelli, *AV Technician*; John West, *Liturgist*.

The flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Sam and Winslow's birthdays by Tim and Sarah Brown.

There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, September 27th during the Traditional Worship service to hear a report from the 2026 Nominating Committee. The Nominees for the Elder Class of 2029 are Mary Elizabeth Coley, Jessica Fincher, Jonathan Kromer, Griff Kuremsky, Robin Rea, and Bill Thompson. The Nominees for Congregation Members at Large for 2027 Nominating Committee are David Barker, Charlie Furr, Jenny Pusser and Megan Talley.

Remember in Prayer: Barbara Rivers, Doug Allen, Malda Kenyon, Pam Beers, Lisa Cline Riley, Bill Moorefield, Lance Burnette, Our Homebound Members, Daniel Reed (Sydney Fanning's grandson), Sarah Fligel (Sherrill Suiter's daughter), Mark Lewis (Greg Lewis' brother), Raphael G (Maud Meulstee'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.*