

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRAYER REQUEST LINK:** Send celebrations and concerns to:  
[prayer@newsharonchurchnc.org](mailto:prayer@newsharonchurchnc.org)

**CARDS:** To have card sent from church, contact Faye Cleaton:  
[fbcleaton@gmail.com](mailto:fbcleaton@gmail.com)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9 a.m.** with Rob on Zoom via our church webpage at About Us/Ministries/Sunday School

**WORSHIP on Sundays at 11 a.m.** in Sanctuary or live stream via our church webpage at All Sermons/[Live Sermon](#)

### COMING UP:

**Today, March 2,** we welcome Rev. Kari Howard to New Sharon. She will lead us in a 'One Day Revival' during our 11:00 worship. There will be a light luncheon afterwards so please bring 'finger foods' to share.

**March 5** at 6:00 p.m.- Join the choir as we practice for a special Easter Cantata to be held on Sunday, April 20th, 2025.

**March 5 at 6:30 p.m.** will be an Ash Wednesday service. For those who are unable to attend the evening service, we invite you to stop by the church between 6:30 AM and 7:30 AM to receive the imposition of ashes and begin the season of Lent with a humble heart.

**Starting March 6th** a Lenten Bible study will be held every Thursday at 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall, using the book 'God Is Closer Than You Think'. If you wish to participate, please purchase the book online and join us for weekly Bible study sessions. For more detailed information, please check our church website and group church emails.

**March 9** at 4:00 p.m., the Administrative Council will meet in the fellowship hall (now meeting every other month).

**March 11** at 11:00 a.m. the New Sharon Women will meet in the fellowship hall. Bring a friend and join us for devotion and fellowship.

**April 13** at 4:30 p.m. the SPRC committee will meet in the upstairs classroom (now meeting quarterly).

### FINANCE REPORT

Thank you for your tithes and offerings!

Monthly Budget Needs \$16,703

January Expenses- \$16,807.94

January Credits- \$14,185.70

### MISSION GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

**OCIM** (Orange Congregations in Mission): There is a list of staples needed at the sanctuary entrances.

**BACKPACK BUDDIES:** This outreach needs single serving, ready-to-eat/easy to prepare items for breakfast and lunch as well as snack size pouches of fruit, chips, crackers, juice boxes and vegetables.

#### SAMARITAN'S PURSE/OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

New Sharon will be collecting items year-round to fulfill our goal of 50 shoeboxes this year. Different items will be collected each month.

February Items are hats, gloves, scarves, and fashion accessories.

**MINISTRY SAFE TRAINING OPPORTUNITY:** In order to work with our children and youth in any area- nursery care, VBS, Sunday School, etc., leaders must be trained in Ministry Safe practices. There are sign up forms on the back tables for those interested in this training. Please complete the form and return it to Audrey Johnson or Pam Hamilton.

 **New Sharon Church**  
*A Global Methodist Congregation*

~ Est. 1768 ~

March 2, 2025

11:00 a.m.



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Pastor: Rev. Dr. Insung Kim

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Pastor's Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday-Friday

by appointment

Pianist/Organist: Hannah Kim

Ministers of the Gospel: Every member of New Sharon!

March 2, 2025

\*Please stand, as able

## Welcome and Greeting

### \*Sharing of Christ's Peace

*Christ welcomes us all to the house of the Lord. Welcome each other in the name of Christ's grace, peace, and welcoming mercy.*

### Call to Worship

Leader: Brothers and sisters, today we come to worship with the power and assurance of the gospel.

**Congregation: Amen. We will follow God's will to proclaim the gospel in all circumstances.**

Leader: Let us be united for the advancement of the gospel.

**Congregation: Lord, help us to love one another and be united in proclaiming the gospel.**

Leader: Therefore, whether from false motives or true, what matters is that Christ is proclaimed, and in this we rejoice. Our joy is found in Christ alone.

**Congregation: Lord, grant us true joy in the gospel.**

Leader: Now, let us begin worship relying on the power of the gospel and with boldness let us offer our hearts and minds fully to the Lord.

**Congregation: Amen, we worship God with all our heart, soul, and mind. AMEN**

**\*Opening Hymn: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" #452**

### Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not always lived with the boldness of the gospel. We have allowed fear and doubt to silence our witness. Forgive us for the times we have prioritized our comfort over your truth. We confess our tendency to focus on our circumstances rather than your sovereignty. Help us to rejoice in the advancement of your gospel, regardless of the messenger or the method. Grant us a spirit of humility and a heart of love, that we may be united in your purpose. We ask for your forgiveness and your grace to live as faithful witnesses, proclaiming Christ with courage and joy. In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.**

## Joys and Concerns

*Pastoral Prayer Concluding with 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.**

**Special Music: "Christ In Me"** Pastor Insung and Jordan Francis

**Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:12-18** Paul Jones

**Sermon: *The Most Important Offer*** Rev. Kari Howard

### Offering

Offerings may be mailed/brought to church or given online through our church webpage at [Giving](#) Thank you!

### Holy Communion

**\*Closing Hymn: "Here I Am Lord" #593**

### \*Benediction

*Welcome to New Sharon Church which has been a house of worship in Hillsborough, NC since 1768. We strive to grow spiritually in Christian faith and to shine the light of Jesus Christ in our world. We joined the Global Methodist denomination in 2023. The Global Methodist Mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, witness boldly and grow intentionally.*

*We're delighted to have you join us today. If you are visiting, please fill out this information and drop it in the offering plate or give it to Pastor Insung as you leave. We hope you feel welcomed and inspired by our worship service. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask the pastor or an usher.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information: (Phone number or email address): \_\_\_\_\_