

## 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](#)

**Today, April 13,** at 4:30 p.m. the SPRC committee will meet in the upstairs classroom.

### HOLY WEEK

**April 15 at 6:30 p.m.** Easter Movie Night "The Chosen"

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**April 16 at 5:30 p.m.** Cantata Choir Practice

**April 17 at 6:30 p.m.** Maundy Thursday service

**April 18 from 8:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m.** Good Friday Relay  
Gospel Readings

### April 20- RESURRECTION SUNDAY

**7:30 a.m.** Easter Sunrise service followed by a fellowship breakfast (we need volunteers for cleanup after the Easter breakfast)

Please bring fresh flowers to put on the cross that will be at the front of the church on Easter Sunday morning.

**11:00 a.m.** Easter Cantata

### FINANCE REPORT

Thank you for your tithes and offerings!

Monthly Budget Needs \$16,703

March Expenses- \$13,775.94

March Credits- \$14,907.27

### 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 vegetables, fruit, snacks and juice boxes

**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. April items are stuffed animals- remember that they have to fit in a shoebox!

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

~ Est. 1768 ~

April 13, 2025

11:00 a.m.



*Our logo is a faithful reproduction of "Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane" by Heinrich Hofmann*

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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!

APRIL 13, 2025 / PALM SUNDAY

\*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: We gather today to remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, a journey of love and sacrifice.

**People: Like the crowds who shouted "Hosanna," we come to welcome our King, recognizing the deeper meaning behind his coming.**

Leader: Let us set our hearts to journey towards God, undeterred by the world's distractions.

**People: We come to offer ourselves, seeking to lay down our own desires, that we may embrace God's will and experience His nearness.**

Leader: Open your hearts to the God who is closer than we think, the God whose love is revealed in the sacrifice of His Son.

**People: We worship the One who says, "I love you," in every act of obedience, and we respond with our own "I love you, Lord!"**

Leader: Let us shout Hosanna to the Lord and let us open our eyes to see Jesus as our Savior.

**People: We come, believing You are here, Lord, ready to meet us in this place. AMEN**

**\*Opening Hymn: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" #278**

## Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we often cling tightly to our own plans and desires. We struggle to release our need for control and find it difficult to truly say, "Your will be done." Forgive us for the times we resist your guidance,**

**choosing our own understanding over your perfect wisdom. We neglect to lay down our own thoughts, to-do lists, experiences, demands and needs. Help us to empty ourselves, as Christ did, and humbly surrender to your will. Teach us to pray with sincerity, "Thy will be done," that we may experience your presence more deeply. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**Ministry through Music: "My Story" Jordan Francis**

**Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 6:7-16 Paul Jones**

**Sermon: God Is Closer Than You Think (6) Pastor Insung**

## Offering

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

**\*Closing Hymn: "Stand Up and Bless the Lord" #662**

## \*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):  
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