

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER REQUEST LINK: Send celebrations and concerns to:
prayer@newsharonchurchnc.org

CARDS: To have card sent from church, contact Faye Cleaton:
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](#)

BIRTHDAY CARD- Frances Baugess will be 93 on April 11. Please sign her birthday card at the back of the church.

COMING UP:

Today, April 6 at 4:00 p.m. there will be a Vacation Bible School meeting in the fellowship hall.

April 8 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 9 at 6:00 p.m. choir practice for our Easter Cantata to be held on Sunday, April 20.

April 10 at 6:00 p.m. Lenten Bible study in the fellowship hall.

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

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

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 6, 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 6, 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: Let us come into the presence of the Living God, who is closer than any thought we think.

People: We come, longing for Your presence, Lord, to fill our minds with Your peace.

Leader: The Lord is ready to speak; let us quiet our hearts and listen for His still, small voice.

People: We come, seeking Your voice, O God, to guide us in truth and love.

Leader: Let us come before the Lord, to have our minds transformed and renewed by His Spirit.

People: We come, desiring a revolution of our minds, that we may know Your will.

Leader: Let us come into the presence of God, who is not distant, but always near to us.

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

***Opening Hymn: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" #454**

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that too often, our minds are filled with noise and distractions. We chase after the loud and the dramatic, missing the still, small voice of your presence. We allow anxious thoughts, selfish desires, and the clamor of the world to drown out your gentle guidance. Like Elijah, we expect you in the wind and the fire, but neglect to listen for your whisper. Forgive us for our inattentiveness, Lord. Help us to cultivate a quiet heart and a listening spirit, that we may truly hear you and obey. 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: "Holy Spirit"

Praise Band

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 19: 9-12

Paul Jones

Sermon: *God Is Closer Than You Think (5)*

Pastor Insung

Offering

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

Holy Communion

***Closing Hymn:** "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" #348

*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):
