

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](#)

CALENDAR EVENTS:

Today, August 17, at 5:00 p.m. St. Mary's Chapel will celebrate its 73rd Homecoming at 5:00 p.m. Following the message and music, there will be a potluck dinner (with BBQ provided) at Pleasant Green UMC.

August 24 at 9:00 a.m. the 'Hands and Feet of Christ' (HFC) will meet in the fellowship hall.

August 24, during 11:00 worship there will be a 'Blessing of the Backpacks' along with free school supplies.

September 9 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.

September 14 at 4:00 p.m. the Administrative Council will meet in the fellowship hall.

September 17 at 5:30 p.m. the New Sharon Women will host a Wednesday night dinner. The menu will consist of potatoes, salad bar, grilled chicken, desserts and beverages.

Small Groups: Pastor Insung will be facilitating small groups throughout the fall. Please sign up on the podium at the back of the church if you wish to participate.

FINANCE REPORT: Monthly Budget Needs: \$16,703
July Expenses: \$13,784.16
July Credits: \$10,596.87

MISSION GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

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

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. August items are school supplies- remember that they have to fit in a shoebox! You may also make a donation to the church, earmarked for Samaritan's Purse, which will be used to pay for shipping the boxes and buying additional items as needed. Detailed shopping lists are available on the tables at both 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 and snacks.

Thank you for your donations of school supplies for Pathway Elementary. They will be delivered this week

 **New Sharon Church**
A Global Methodist Congregation

~ Est. 1768 ~

August 17, 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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Church Office: 919-732-5144

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!

August 17, 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 worship the Father of lights, from whom every good and perfect gift comes.

Congregation: We come to Him for wisdom to see the traps the enemy sets for us.

Leader: The Bible asks, "Can a man scoop fire into his lap without his clothes being burned?"

Congregation: Lord, guard our hearts from the desires that seek to entice and destroy us.

Leader: The enemy is a master fisherman who knows which lure to use on each of us.

Congregation: We praise God, who exposes the deception and offers us the truth that leads to life.

Leader: Sin promises satisfaction, but when it is full-grown, it gives birth to death.

Congregation: But blessed is the one who perseveres, for God promises the crown of life to those who love Him.

AMEN.

***Opening Hymn: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" #110**

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess we have been dragged away by our own desires. We have been enticed by the enemy's lure, choosing to believe the deceptions that hide the hook. We have played with the fire of temptation, and allowed sinful thoughts to give birth to disobedience. This path leads to death, but you promise the crown of life. Forgive us, Lord, and grant us wisdom to see the trap and temptation. Help us to fix our eyes upon you, our Mighty Fortress, and run into your unfailing arms. In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.

Announcements, 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.

Ministry Through Music: "Trust in God" Praise Band

Scripture Reading: James 1:12-18 Paul Jones

Sermon: "The Anatomy of a Trap" Pastor Insung

Offering

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

Offertory "I Offer My Life"

***Closing Hymn: "Yield Not to Temptation"**

***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): _____