

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- Otis Johnson will celebrate his birthday on January 10. Please sign his birthday card that is on the back podium.

CALENDAR EVENTS:

January 9, at 4:00 p.m. the Administrative Council will meet in the upstairs classroom.

January 13 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.

January 19 at 4:30 the SPRC committee will meet in the upstairs classroom.

FINANCE REPORT:

Monthly Budget Needs: \$16,703

November Expenses: \$11,584.74

November Credits: \$10,213.02

MISSION GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Annual Souper Bowl- The New Sharon Women will be collecting family size cans of soup for OCIM from January 4-February 8. Cathy will see that the soup is delivered to OCIM on a weekly basis. There are bins at both entrances to the church. Thank you for supporting this mission!

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.

TIME OF PRAYER: During the winter months we are encouraging everyone to set a timer for Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. and lift up prayers for our church and congregation, our community and our country. In the spring we plan to meet again in the fellowship for group prayer. What a blessing to be able to spend this time with our Lord and know others are doing so at the same time!



~ Est. 1768 ~

December 28, 2025

11:00 a.m.



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

1601 New Sharon Church Rd. Hillsborough NC 27278

<https://www.newsharonchurchnc.org/>

Church Office: 919-732-5144

Lay Leader: Chris Sykes

Ministers of the Gospel: Every member of New Sharon!

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* 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: The light of Christ has come into the world.

People: We come to worship the One who meets us where we are.

Leader: The angels have sung, and the shepherds have gone home.

People: We return to our lives carrying the good news.

Leader: Christ comes not only in wonder, but in everyday moments.

People: We open our hearts to receive Him again.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God who is with us.

People: We worship with joy, gratitude, and hope.

All: Amen

***Opening Hymn: "What Child Is This" #219**

Prayer of Confession

Loving God,

You came to dwell among us,

yet we confess that we do not always make room for You.

**We celebrate Christ's birth,
but struggle to live by His love.**

**We cling to our worries instead of trusting Your peace,
and return to old ways instead of following Your light.**

**Forgive us, renew us,
and send us home changed by Your grace.
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: "Crowns Down" Praise Band

Scripture Reading: Luke 2:20

Sermon: And Then They Went Home Chris Sykes

Offering

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

Offertory

***Closing Hymn: "Go, Tell It On the Mountain" #251**

***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 mission of 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.

We hope you feel welcomed and inspired by our worship service. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask an usher.

Name: _____

Contact information: (Phone number or email address):
