

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to New Sharon! We're delighted to have you join us today. If you are visiting, or are a member wishing to have a visit from Pastor Ken, please fill out a Connection Card (located in the pew pockets) and place it in the offering plate.

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, March 22, at 4:00 p.m. the Administrative Council will meet in the fellowship hall

March 24 at 10:00 a.m. the New Sharon Women will sort and price yard sale donations.

March 29 at 11:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Service

April 2 at 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service

April 3 at 6:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

April 5 at 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast

April 5 at 11:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship Service

April 14 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 18 from 7:30-noon there will be a yard sale, bake sale and biscuit breakfast in the fellowship hall sponsored by the New Sharon Women and New Sharon Men. We are accepting 'gently used' items that you can leave in the middle classroom downstairs. Donations will only be accepted until April 4.

FINANCE REPORT:

February Expenses: \$10,608.82

February Credits: \$12,306.75

MISSION GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

OCIM (Orange Congregations in Mission): There is a list of staples needed on the tables at both sanctuary entrances. Their shelves are very low so all donations will be greatly appreciated!

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: We encourage everyone to set a timer for Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. and lift up prayers for our church, pastor and congregation, our community and our country. What a blessing to be able to spend this time with our Lord and know others are doing so at the same time!



March 22, 2026

11:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday of Lent



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

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Pastor's Office Hours:

9:00 a.m.- noon, Wednesday - Friday & by appointment

Ministers of the Gospel: Every member of New Sharon!

MARCH 22, 2026

* 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

Chris Sykes

Leader:

Come, let us gather in the presence of the Lord.

People:

We come seeking the light of Christ.

Leader:

When our path feels uncertain, God invites us closer.

People:

When we struggle to understand, God offers wisdom.

Leader:

The Lord is at work among His people, even in ways we cannot yet see.

People:

We come with open hearts to worship our God.

Leader:

Let us worship the Lord together.

People: Amen

***OPENING HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #140**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

We confess that we do not always see as You see.

We become distracted by our worries and our own understanding.

Too often we miss the ways You are at work around us.

Forgive us, Lord.

Renew our hearts and open our eyes to Your presence.

Help us to trust Your ways and walk faithfully with You.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 5:8-14 Paul Jones

MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC: Praise Band

"Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"

***SCRIPTURE READING:** John 9:1-12 Pastor Ken

SERMON: *I Am the Man* Pastor Ken

OFFERING

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

*DOXOLOGY

***CLOSING HYMN: "Amazing Grace" #378**

*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.

New Sharon church is looking to hire a pianist to play for our 11:00 worship service. If you, or someone you know, is interested in the position please contact Audrey or Judi.