


Through Holy Baptism, we welcome into the Christian Faith:

(10:30am) Credence Richard Gunville, child of Skyler & Chelsey Gunville. The sponsors for Credence are Taylor Sivertson, Andrew Holter, Taylar Nelson, and Brett McGregor.




Are you interested in visiting with a homebound member of Sharon? The Sharon Cares Team is looking for compassionate Sharon members who would be willing to visit a homebound member once or twice a month.

If interested, please call the church office at 701-772-3122.

If you or someone you know is sick, in the hospital or facing challenges, please let us know. We want to include you in our prayers, and the Prayers of the People during worship if you would like to be included in them. We are here for you!




## "Welcome to Baptism" Orientation

If you are planning a baptism in your family, plan to come to a one-hour orientation called "Welcome to Baptism" on **Sunday, November 15th at 4:00pm** in the church lounge. Please enter through door #1. To register for the class, please call the church office by Friday before the class at 772-3122. or email the church office at: office@sharonlutheran.org; or speak to Deacon Jamie Travers. Sponsors are welcome too in addition to parents.



## Golden Age Club

**Friday, November 13, 2:00 pm**

Come join the Golden Age Club for their November gathering at Sharon Lutheran Church. The program will be presented by the Empire Arts Center. They will talk about the history of the Empire Arts Center and about their current season of shows and events. There will also be some special music. Ginny Hutton and Deacon Jamie Travers, who have both performed in shows at the Empire, will be sharing their vocal talents by singing some showtunes.




Sharon Lutheran Church will provide bell ringing for Salvation Army on Monday, December 21st from 10am-6pm. Each shift will be for 1 hour. Some time slots are still available.

Please sign up in Sign-Up Genius or contact the church office.

## CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS



It's already that time of year again where we are planning ahead to the Church School Christmas programs! We will be doing a program called **"The Amazing Story of Christmas."** We will be sending home a sheet in November asking you and your student your preference for parts. Wednesday kids will have their practice from 9am-11am on Saturday, December 12th, with their Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 16th. Sunday kids will have their practice from 9am-11am on Saturday, December 19th, with their Christmas Program on Sunday, December 20th.

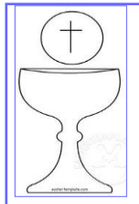


## Sharon Lutheran's Backpack Program

We are now accepting donations again for Ben Franklin Elementary School to provide children in low-income families with extra food during the whole school year. We will pack monthly on the second Sunday of each month. We invite you to join us by donating the following items:

***Ramen Noodles***
***Macaroni & Cheese***
***Juice Boxes (no Capri/Kool Aid pouches)***
***Instant Oatmeal Packets (nut-free)***
***Applesauce/Fruit Cups (no fruit snacks)***
***Soup (must have pull-open top)***
***Ravioli (canned and with pull-open top)***
***Small Bags of Potato Chips***

You can drop these at the church in the boxes marked for the Backpack Program. For questions, please contact the Community Connections Team or Pastor Tawanda.



**Communion**

We welcome all to Christ's table, however young or old you are, whether you are a member of Sharon or not. Come **receive a blessing or bread and grape juice,** and through them the body and blood of Jesus Christ.

***Gluten-free wafers are available.***

## Welcome!

**All are welcome to worship!** Worship gathers us as one body, invites us to hear God's Word, leads us to experience God's grace in baptism and communion, and then sends us out to engage and serve the world. **If you are visiting today,** please stop by our welcome center in the main hallway to complete a visitor card. To find out more information about our ministries, please visit us at our website:

*www.sharonlutheran.org*

### Offering Options

**IN-PERSON:** drop in offering plate

**TEXT TO GIVE**: Just text to 73256, hit next, type (no spaces) Sharon1720, hit send. You will receive a message to click the link to complete your gift to Sharon Lutheran Church.

**MAIL A CHECK:** 1720 S. 20th Street, Grand Forks, ND 58201

**DIRECT GIVING:**
www.sharonlutheran.org/giving

***Thank you for your new or continued generosity towards God's mission at Sharon Lutheran Church.***

**Lead Rostered Minister—** Jamie Travers (jtravers@sharonlutheran.org)

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**Sunday, November 8**
8:30am—11:00am—Coffee & Donuts Fellowship
9:00am – Worship – Sanctuary
10:30am – Worship – Celebration Hall
10:30am – Church School
10:30am – Baptism – Credence Richard Gunville
3:45pm – 3-4-5 Alive

**Monday, November 9**
6:00pm – Ed Team
6:00pm – Fellowship Team

**Tuesday, November 10**
8:30am – Faithfully Fit
6:00pm – Properties Team

**Wednesday, November 11** **Veterans Day**
9:45am – Bible Study
6:00pm – Worship – Celebration Hall

**Thursday, November 12**
8:30am – Faithfully Fit
9:00am – Quilting
1:00pm – Sharon Cares
6:00pm – Church Council

**Friday, November 13**
2:00pm – Golden Age Club

**Sunday, November 15**
8:30am—11:00am—Coffee & Donuts Fellowship
9:00am – Worship – Sanctuary
10:30am – Worship – Celebration Hall
10:30am – Church School
10:30am – Baptism – Taytum Wray Martin
3:45pm – 3-4-5 Alive
4:00pm – Baptism Orientation

**Education Coordinator—**Heather Peters (hpeters@sharonlutheran.org)
**Worship Director—**Roxanne Gessler (rgessler@sharonlutheran.org)
**Organist—**Sue Kerr
**Custodian—**Dan Kuzel
**Sanctuary Choir Director**—Ketina Francois




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# 10:30am

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**Growing in Faith**

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## Celebration Hall

***Gathering Songs—***
*"What A Friend" & "Trust In God"*
**Welcome**
**Call to Worship (Matthew 25: 1-13)**
***Song—****"Blessed Assurance"*
**Greeting**
**Holy Baptism**
***Baptismal Song –*** *"Jesus Loves Me"*
**Prayer of the Day**
**Storytime**
***Song—****"Give Me Oil In My Lamp"*
**Amos 5: 21-24**
**Psalm 70**
**Matthew 25: 1-13**
**Sermon—** Pastor Tawanda Murinda
**Moment for Quiet Reflection**
***Song—****"Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)"*
**Prayers of the People**
**Sharing God's Peace**
**Offering**
**Offering Prayer**
**Words of Institution**
**The Lord's Prayer**
***Distribution & Song –****"No Sweeter Name"*
**Blessing**
**Prayer after Communion**
**Benediction**
***Song—****"Soon And Very Soon"*
**Sending**
The Worship is over;
the service begins.