

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)

Associate Rostered Minister—Tawanda Murinda
(tmurinda@sharonlutheran.org)

Operations Director—Missy Thompson
(mthompson@sharonlutheran.org)

Administrative & Media Asst—Barb Jorgenson
(bjorgenson@sharonlutheran.org)

Finance Manager—Stephanie Leighton
(sleighton@sharonlutheran.org)

Children & Youth Ministries Coordinator—David Berger
(dberger@sharonlutheran.org)

Sunday, July 12

8:30am—11:00am—Coffee & Donuts Fellowship

9:00am—Worship—Celebration Hall

10:30am—Worship—Celebration Hall

Monday, July 13

6:00pm—Fellowship Team

Wednesday, July 15

6:00pm—Praise & Graze Worship—Celebration Hall

Thursday, July 16

1:00pm—Sarah Circle

Friday, July 17

Office closes @ Noon

Sunday, July 19

8:30am—11:00am—Coffee & Donuts Fellowship

9:00am—Worship—Sanctuary

10:30am—Worship—Sanctuary

4:00pm—Baptism Orientation

Education Coordinator—Heather Peters
(hpeters@sharonlutheran.org)

Worship Director—Roxanne Gessler
(rgessler@sharonlutheran.org)

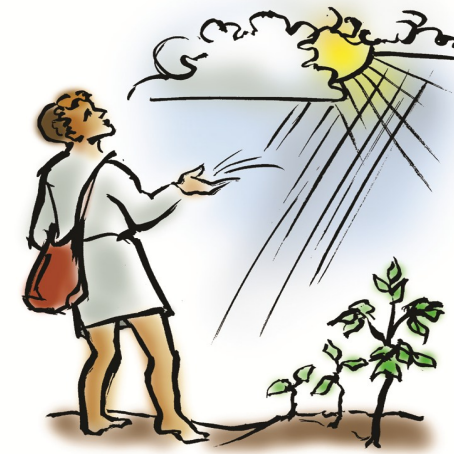
Organist—Sue Kerr

Custodian—Dan Kuzel

Sanctuary Choir Director—Ketina Francois

High School Ministry Associate—
Sam Langstaff (slangstaff@sharonlutheran.org)

Music used by permission. CCLI License #1685071



7th Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, July 12, 2026



SHARON LUTHERAN CENTENNIAL
**Grounded in Faith
Growing in Faith**

Phone: 701-772-3122

Email: office@sharonlutheran.org

Website: sharonlutheran.org

Celebration Hall Worship

Gathering Songs—

"The Commission" & "Praise"

Welcome

Opening Song—"Seeds"

Song—"Holy Spirit" & Call to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

Song—"Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil"

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Story Time

Song—"Glory, Glory, We're The Branches"

Isaiah 55: 10-13

Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Sermon—Deacon Jamie Travers

Moment for Quiet Reflection

Song—"All Good Gifts"

The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Sharing God's Peace

Offering

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Distribution & Song—

"Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly"

Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Benediction

Song—"How Good Of God"

Sending

The Worship is over;
the service begins.



NOW OPEN!!

Church School/Confirmation Registration

Registration is open for the 2026-2027 program year for church school and confirmation—3 year olds (on or before July 31, 2026) through 10th grade.

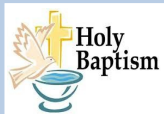
**First Wednesday of the 2026/2027 program
year: September 16, 2026.**

**First Sunday of the 2026/2027
program year: September 20, 2026.**

Early registration helps us plan for volunteers, curriculum, supplies, and all the considerations for a successful year.



**To register,
please scan this
QR code.**



"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, July 19th 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.



Community Connections Team collecting supplies for Lutheran World Relief school kits

For the months of July and August, Community Connections team will be collecting school supplies for LWR school kits. Each kit needs the following:

- 4 – notebooks
- 5 - #2 pencils
- 5 – black or blue pens
- 1 – eraser
- 1 – box crayons either 16 or 24 count
- 1 – pencil sharpener
- 1 – 30 centimeter ruler
- 1 – pair of blunt scissors
- 1 – drawstring backpack style cloth bag

Items can be left in a tote under the TV by South Hall.



Praise and Graze Gathering **Wednesday, July 15 • 6:00 p.m.** **Sharon Lutheran Church**

Join us for a fun evening of worship, fellowship, and food at our **Praise and Graze Gathering!**

We will begin with **Worship and Holy Communion** at 6:00 p.m., followed by an all-church potluck barbecue. **Hamburgers, hot dogs, and beverages will be provided.** Please bring a **side dish or dessert to share.**

This is an **all-church picnic**—everyone is welcome! Invite your family, friends, neighbors, and fellow members as we gather around God's table and enjoy a meal together.

All are invited! We will save a plate for you!

Summer Stewardship 2026

For Summer Stewardship 2026, we are going to tie into the game of soccer. This year, the FIFA World Cup tournament will be held in the US, featuring 48 nations and 78 matches in 11 US Cities. The dates of the World Cup will run from June 11 to July 19. Our Summer Stewardship dates will run from May 17th to July 19.

We have a soccer field depicted on a wheeled display. We began at the middle of the field with our teams. We are having two team captains, Deacon Jamie and Pastor Tawanda, one bucket for each to collect donations (we have Summer Stewardship envelopes for donations). Our overall goal is \$5,000, \$2,500 for each team. The soccer ball will move towards the goal based on the contributions for each team. We will post progress each week. So far Pastor Tawanda has raised \$1,479 and Deacon Jamie has raised \$1,954 for a total of \$3,433.



SUMMER BLOCK PARTY FEATURING DOWNTOWN HORNS & FOOD TRUCKS

Thursday, July 30
5:30pm-7:30pm
Sharon's North Parking Lot



Let's celebrate community with a **FREE** block party! Join us for **FOOD TRUCKS** and music by "the Red River Valley's Premier Party Band" - **Downtown Horns!** This event is free for everyone. Come have some family-friendly fun.

Food trucks this year:

The Wok
Our Magic Food Bus
Chino Latino/Steers
Brain Freeze

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!



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.