WELCOME!

Thursday, December 15

8:30am—Faithfully Fit Forever

Sunday, December 18

8:30am—11:00am—Coffee Hour 9:00am—Worship—Sanctuary & Celeb.Hall 10:30am—Worship—Celebration Hall 3:45pm—3-4-5 Alive

Monday, December 19

5:15pm—Public Relations & Evangelism Team

Tuesday, December 20

8:30am—Faithfully Fit Forever 1:30pm—Sarah Circle @ Yvonne Welsh's House

Wednesday, December 21

9:45am—Bible Study 1:00pm—Prayer Group 1:30pm—Rachel Circle 6:00pm—Worship—Celebration Hall 7:15pm—Gr 6-8 Confirmation

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- we invite you to fill in a visitor card and return it through the offering, stop by our welcome center in the main hallway, or call the church office at 701-772-3122.

Offering Options

IN-PERSON—drop in offering plate
TEXT TO GIVE: Just text to 73256, hit next, type Sharon1720, hit send. You will receive a message to click the link to complete your gift to Sharon Lutheran Church.
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ONLINE GIVING: www.sharonlutheran.org/

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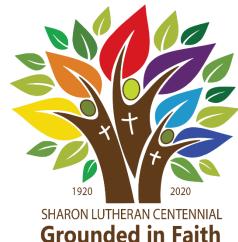
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Celebration Hall Worship

Prelude Welcome **Advent Call to Worship** Hymn "Hope For Everyone" Hymn "O Come O Come Emmanuel" Lighting the Advent Wreath **Confession and Forgiveness** Greeting Prayer of the Day The "No Rehearsal Required" **Christmas Program** Hymn "Joy To The World" **Prayers of the People** Sharing God's Peace **Offering & Offering Prayer** Words of Institution The Lord's Prayer Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" Blessing **Prayer after Communion Benediction** Hymn "Hark, The Glad Sound" Sending

Wednesday, December 14, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent





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Growing in Faith

Our shiny new website is live! Right this way to
Sharon Lutheran's new webpage!

https://www.sharonlutheran.org/

Take a look! Let us know what you think! Any ideas or suggestions, please feel free to contact Barb @ biorgenson@sharonlutheran.org.

Hands-Up Program

We know that there are some members of our congregation that sometimes need a little help with the expenses of daily life. Maybe it is food for the family this week, a new pair of shoes for the kids or a tank of gas to get to work. Most likely, we have all been there sometime during our life. So, when we can, we would like to offer our fellow friends at Sharon a "Hand-Up". If you need help or know of a Sharon member that needs help (with their permission) please let a pastor or Sharon Cares team member know. The Sharon Cares team relies solely on congregational support. We do not have a designated church budget. We would appreciate your support in either of two ways – a \$20 gift card from a gas station, grocery store or retail store or a family donation. Please leave your gift cards and/or donations in the church office. Please designate for the Sharon Cares Hand-Up Program. Thank you for your help.

Shut-In Visits

Volunteers are needed to visit our shut-in members. If interested, please call Sharon church office at 701-772-3122.

> By God's Grace Created to Worship, Called to Teach, Committed to Serve

ELCA Good Gifts Advent Tree

This year we invite the congregation to make a difference in people's lives around the world by donating to God's Global Barnyard. Simply choose an ornament off the tree representing the gift you would like to give.

• Include your check payable to ELCA in the provided envelope and indicate which gift you are sponsoring.

• Turn the envelope into the church office and keep the ornament as a reminder of your generosity.

We also have an Advent calendar that is a daily reminder of hymns, prayers, Bible verses and info about how ELCA Good Gifts make a difference in the world for years to come.

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Noisy Offerings

The money collected from our Noisy Offerings on December 18 & 20 will go to CVIC.

Sharon Lutheran Church is seeking a volunteer to be our cub scout troop liaison. If you are interested, or know someone who would be interested. please contact Pastor Karen.

If you had ordered a centennial T-shirt, they are available for pickup in the Church Office. Thank you!



Christmas Eve

Sanctuary - 4pm, 5:30pm, 11pm Celebration Hall - 1pm, 2:30pm, 4pm

> **Christmas Day** Sanctuary - 10:30am



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.



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Please contact Steve DeKrey (sdekrey@sharonlutheran.org) to register for a class.

New Testament

January 18-7:15pm-8:00pm February 15-7:15pm-8:00pm

Online Sessions

Sunday, January 29-7:00pm Sunday, February 26-7:00pm

Spring Semester

ELCA Social Statement on Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust 8 sessions—Dates and times to come

We need your help!

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!