



Fall Congregational Meeting
Sunday, October 11th at 9:00 am

Please join us for our Fall Congregational Meeting and a Breakfast Potluck on Sunday, October 11 at 9:00 am. There will be one worship service at 10:30 that morning. Church school will continue at it's regular time at 10:30. Annual reports will be available to be picked up at the welcome center and church office.



"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, October 18th 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.

Next Meeting will be on October 15th!

YOUNG ADULTS
AGES 18-30
JOIN PEOPLE YOUR AGE
TO TALK ABOUT IT ALL.

REAL CONVERSATIONS.
 REAL LIFE.
 REAL FAITH.

GROW IN FAITH.
 BUILD COMMUNITY.
 LIVE PURPOSEFULLY.

- LIFE.
- FAITH.
- COMMUNITY.
- BIBLE STUDY.
- FINANCES.
- WORK.
- DATING.
- FAMILY DYNAMICS.

EVERY OTHER **THURSDAY**
 BEGINNING **SEPTEMBER 3, 2026**
 @ 7PM
 @ SHARON LUTHERAN

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS
AND JOIN US!

IRON SHARPENS IRON, AND ONE MAN SHARPENS ANOTHER. - PROVERBS 27:17



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.



Trunk or Treat
Sunday, October 25th
3:00pm-5:00pm

Come join us for fall fun! Our Trunk or Treat event is a great opportunity to bring your vehicle and decorate it if you wish and to hand out treats. It's also a fun opportunity to wear a costume. If you would like to donate treats, please bring them to the church office by October 23. Calvary Lutheran Church will also be hosting a Trunk or Treat event at the same time, so visit both churches.

Golden Age Club
Friday, October 9th @ 2:45 pm



Join the Golden Age Club for a fun tour of the Ralph Engelstad Arena on Friday, October 9 at 2:45 pm. We will meet at the Ralph Engelstad Arena and not at Sharon Lutheran. Please note the time change to 2:45pm. Bob Kerr will be leading the tour and there is no charge for this event. Thanks Bob!

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.

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.

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Sunday, October 4

8:30am—11:00am—Coffee & Donuts Fellowship
9:00am—Worship—Sanctuary
10:30am—Worship—Celebration Hall
10:30am—Church School
12:00pm—Lefse Making
3:00pm—Greenway Cleanup
3:45pm—3-4-5 Alive
5:00pm—3rd Grade Bible Fun Night

Monday, October 5

7:00am—Lefse Making
7:00pm—WELCA Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 6

7:30am—Lefse Making
5:30pm—Stewardship Team

Wednesday, October 7

9:45am—Bible Study
6:00pm—Worship—Celebration Hall
6:00pm—Church School
7:15pm—Grades 6-8 & Grade 9 Confirmation
8:15pm—Raft & 5G

Thursday, October 8

8:30am—Faithfully Fit
9:00am—Quilting
1:00pm—Sharon Cares

Friday, October 9

2:45pm—Golden Age @ Ralph Engelstad

Sunday, October 11

9:00 & 10:30—3rd Grade Bible Presentations
10:30am—Worship—Celebration Hall
10:30am—Church School
3:45pm—3-4-5 Alive
4:00pm—10th Grade Confirmation

Education Coordinator—Heather Peters
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19th Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, October 4, 2026

10:30am



Phone: 701-772-3122

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Celebration Hall

Gathering Song—

“Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly”

Welcome

Call to Worship

(inspired by Isaiah 5 & Psalm 80)

Song—“Cornerstone”

Confession and Forgiveness

Song—“Firm Foundation (He Won’t)”

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Story Time

Song—“Trust In The Lord/Rains Or Pours”

Storytime

Isaiah 5: 1-7

Philippians 3: 4b-14

Matthew 21: 33-46

Sermon—Deacon Jamie Travers

Moment for Quiet Reflection

Song—“Living Stones”

The Apostles’ Creed

Prayers of the People

Sharing God’s Peace

Offering

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

Distribution

Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Benediction

Song—“I’m So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me”

Sending

The Worship is over;
the service begins.