

SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE  
January 4, 2026

PRELUDE  
GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
PASS THE PEACE

ADAM BERGERON  
PASTOR WENDY

CALL TO WORSHIP  
L: Come, lift up your hearts to the Lord!  
**P: To You, O Lord, we lift up our hearts!**  
**In You we trust!**  
**Do not let us be put to shame.**  
L: Our God is full of compassionate love.  
He brings sinners back to His way,  
and teaches the humble the way they should go.  
**P: Show us the right path, O Lord; point out the way for us to follow.**  
**Lead us by Your truth, and teach us, for You are the God who saves.**  
**We put our hope in You.**

LITURGIST

OPENING PRAYER  
O God, we trust totally in you as we trust in no other. You are the creator of all things, and our life depends on you moment by moment. You give us breath and we respond with songs of praise and hymns of adoration. You give us truth, and we teach others your word and try to model your ways. You give us eternal life, and we share the gospel of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, with all who will listen. You fill us with your Holy Spirit, and we love others as you have loved us. You call us your friends, and we seek to be friends with the friendless. In all things we completely depend upon you and do not rest secure in our own strength or wisdom. Draw us closer to you and enable us to live more faithfully as followers of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

LITURGIST

PRAISING GOD THROUGH MUSIC  
“Open My Eyes, That I May See”  
Clara Scott CCLI Song #68003 Public Domain

**UMH #454 all vv.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING  
Psalm 25 p. 511

LITURGIST

OFFERING MOMENT  
DOXOLOGY  
OFFERING PRAYER  
Loving God, you are never far from us, you are as close as our breathing. We recognize you as the one who heals the wounded spirit and gives new life to the broken hearted. We offer these gifts to You, O God, as a sign of our commitment to Your grace and authority. Take us and use us and all that we have, so that the Kingdom of Heaven will be realized on earth, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PASTOR WENDY  
LITURGIST

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES  
PASTORAL PRAYER  
LORD’S PRAYER

SONG OF PREPARATION  
“Jesus Is All the World to Me”  
Will Thompson CCLI Song #138830 Public Domain

**UMH #469 all vv.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING  
John 1:9-12 p. 977

LITURGIST

SERMON: How Will I Know It Is Jesus?”

PASTOR WENDY

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

CLOSING WORSHIP SONG  
“My Jesus”  
Wilson, Pardo, and West CCLI Song #7174531 © 2021 Capitol CMG Paragon; Jacobs Story Music; Meaux Mercy; Combustion Five; Inman Park Music  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Z1fDGbGSW0&list=RD2Z1fDGbGSW0&start\\_radio=1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Z1fDGbGSW0&list=RD2Z1fDGbGSW0&start_radio=1)

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PASTOR WENDY

POSTLUDE

ADAM BERGERON

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Pastor Wendy Brown Pastor  
Adam Bergeron Pianist/ Organist

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**This Week**  
Sat            10a            Decoration take down day

**Upcoming Events**  
1/21            6p            Leadership Team mtg  
2/18            6p            Ash Wednesday Soup Supper  
                  7p            Ash Wednesday Service at Sharon UMC

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
  
-We are invited to join the Men’s Study held at Bob Evans on Rt. 18 & by I 71 on the first Saturday of the month at 8am. Contact Don Brown for more info.  
  
-We are starting a new prayer chain. If you are interested in being on the prayer chain, please contact Nancy Baldwin. Phone 330-350-0913. Nancy’s e-mail address baldwinwn@aol.com. Please send your name, e-mail address and phone number. Nancy will contact each one of you after she gets a list together.  
  
-If you’ve ordered a poinsettia you are welcome to take it home after the service.  
  
-We will take down and put away the church Christmas decorations on Jan. 10 at 10am. If you’re available, stop on by, many hands make quick work.

**Welcome to Sharon Center United Methodist Church!**  
If you are visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here! We welcome all to our Worship Service and our Communion Table is open to everyone. Please join us in our activities and gatherings and if you have a question, just ask, and come back again soon! At Sharon Center UMC we are committed to building relationships with Jesus Christ. For families of all ages, this is a great community to join as you grow in your relationship with God and with others.  
[www.sharoncenterumc.org](http://www.sharoncenterumc.org)

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