

Sharon-Hope This Week –September 11th, 2026
Sharon-Hope United Church
A vibrant community of faith, hope and love ...
come and see!

God's Love is not Seasonal



Rev Sadekie

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Neither height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord - Romans 8:35, 38–39

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?”

Paul's answer is powerful: **nothing**.

Not trouble. Not hardship. Not fear. Not death. Not life. Not height. Not depth. Nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.



But there is an interesting truth about our relationship with God: **sometimes we are the ones who let go**. And often, it happens when life is going well. When the bills are paid, the family is fine, the job is secure, and our plans are working, we can quietly become less dependent on God. We don't stop believing,

we simply stop reaching. Prayer becomes less urgent. Gratitude becomes assumed. We begin to think, “I've got this.” Sometimes **the mountain makes us forget who carried us there**. And yet, when we let go of God, **God does not let go of us**.

Then life changes.



The relationship breaks. The diagnosis comes. The money gets tight. The prayer seems unanswered. The future becomes uncertain. And in those low places, we may wonder: **“God, where are you?”** Sometimes we mistake God's silence for God's absence. We feel abandoned and assume God has let go. But Paul doesn't

promise that we will never experience trouble. He asks whether trouble can **separate us from God's love**. And the answer is **no**.

- The valley cannot separate us.
- The disappointment cannot separate us.
- Our grief cannot separate us.
- Our mistakes cannot separate us.
- Even our doubts cannot separate us.



There is an old hymn that says: **“O Love that wilt not let me go.”**

That may be one of the most beautiful descriptions of God. **A love that will not let us go.**

When we are strong, God is there.

When we are weak, God is there.

When we are celebrating, God is there.

When we are grieving, God is there.

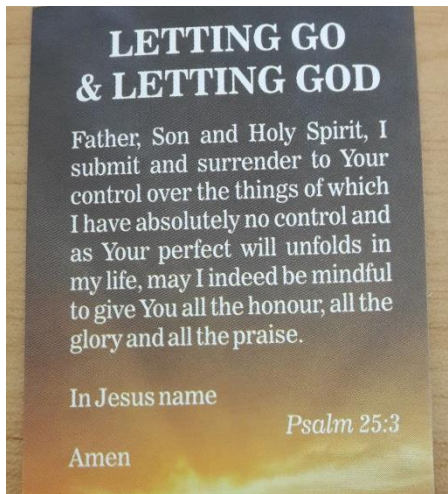
When we are holding on tightly, God is there.

And when we no longer have the strength to hold on, **God is still there.**

So perhaps there are two things we need to release. First, **let go of the things you cannot control**. Let go of the need to have every answer, fix every problem, and manage every outcome. And second, **let go of the belief that God has let go of you**.

- If you've wandered from God, come back.
- If you've been angry with God, talk to God.
- If you've stopped praying, start again.
- If you're in a valley and cannot feel God's presence, trust that your feelings are not the final word.
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You can feel alone and still be held.
You can feel forgotten and still be remembered.
You can feel lost and still be found.



So perhaps the question this week is: **Where have I let go of God and where have I mistakenly believed that God has let go of me?**

Whatever your answer, remember this: God's love is not seasonal.

It doesn't disappear when life gets difficult, and it doesn't depend on how well we perform. **Neither height nor depth can separate us from it.** So loosen your grip, release the fear, release the guilt, release the need to control and rest in the truth

that the God who held you yesterday is holding you today and this love **will not let me go.**

This Sunday Series...

What Time Is it?



Message: "Time to Let God"

Special Anniversary Offering

Sharon-Hope United Church **159 YEARS** OF *Gratitude*



ONE GIFT • ONE CHURCH • ONE LEGACY

FOR 159 YEARS, GOD HAS BEEN FAITHFUL.

Through generations of worship, prayer, baptisms, weddings, funerals, fellowship, service, music, teaching, friendship and care, Sharon-Hope has been a place where lives have been touched and faith has been nurtured.

Now it is our turn to say:

**"THANK YOU, GOD,
FOR 159 YEARS!"**



THE
\$159
GRATITUDE
OFFERING

WE INVITE EVERY INDIVIDUAL
CONNECTED TO SHARON-HOPE
TO GIVE:

\$159

*No more.
No less.*

This is not about who can give the most.

It is a gratitude offering—a personal expression of thanksgiving for the ways God has blessed you through Sharon-Hope and for the people who have faithfully carried this ministry before us.

SHARE THE INVITATION!

Help others be part of this special celebration.



**YOUR CHILDREN
AND FAMILY**
whether near or far



**FRIENDS
OF SHARON-HOPE**
past and present



**FORMER MEMBERS
AND THOSE WHOSE
LIVES HAVE BEEN
TOUCHED BY THIS
MINISTRY**



**ANYONE WHO
HAS A SHARON-HOPE
STORY TO CELEBRATE**

Let each person have the opportunity to make their own \$159 gift in thanksgiving.



**BRING YOUR GRATITUDE OFFERING
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026**
159TH ANNIVERSARY WORSHIP SERVICE • 10:00 A.M.

*Together,
let's celebrate
where we have
come from, give
thanks for where
we are, and trust
God for where
we are going.*



*"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever."*

— PSALM 107:1

\$159 FOR 159 YEARS

One gift. One expression of gratitude.
One part of the Sharon-Hope story.
*Thank you for helping us celebrate
159 years of faithful ministry!*

Prayer CIRCLE

*Together in Faith.
United in Prayer.*



Every **2nd** Tuesday
of the Month



at **1:00 pm** —



in the Lounge
at Sharon Hope United Church

All are welcome!

A community of prayer
where hearts connect
and faith is strengthened.



**ALL PRAYERS
WELCOME**

Every prayer matters.



**COME IF YOU
NEED PRAYER**

You are not alone.



**COME IF YOU HAVE
SOMETHING TO PRAY ABOUT**

We're here for you.



**SHARON·HOPE
UNITED CHURCH**

Rooted in Faith. Growing in Love. ♥



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FOOD BANK

Join Us in Helping the
Food Bank by Donating
Non-Perishable Items.

Please bring your Items
to Church this Sunday.



A MOMENT OF
Hope

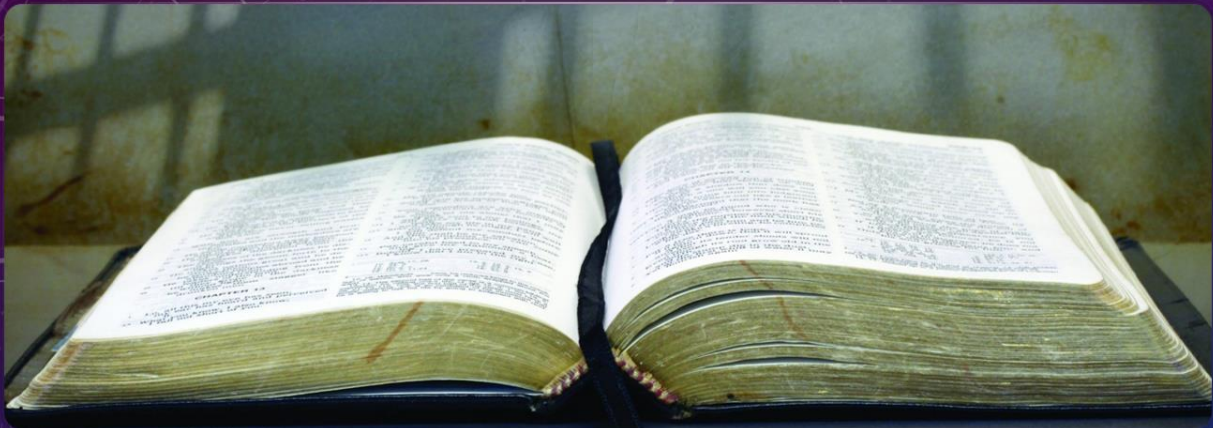
Weekly Online Devotional



**New Videos are Available Every Monday at 6am
on Facebook & Youtube. Click [Here](#) to see last week's Devotional video**



As WE follow
after Christ, we
all can lead one



LECTIONARY READINGS 2026

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
READING THE ONLINE
VERSION?

WOULD YOU PREFER
TO PRINT YOUR OWN
COPY AT HOME?

[Click Here to
Access the Full
Series for 2026.](#)

THANK YOU TO OUR SEPTEMBER 13TH VOLUNTEERS!!

Greeter

Ed

All

Megan

Scripture

Neil

**Collection
ushers**

Coffee Time

AV team
Bob & Vicki

Remember to signup outside the kitchen or
[click here](#)

A red, glowing "ON AIR" sign with white text, set against a dark background with a subtle light gradient.

Missed a Service? Look for it on [Sharon-Hope's YouTube channel](#)

Watch where you want when you want!

Remember



Sharon-Hope is a scent-free building

Did you know ... You can find the weekly readings for 2026 [here](#)

Readings September 13th...

OT: Genesis 50:15-21

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35



LYNNE,
YOUR OFFICE
ADMINISTRATOR,
WILL BE TAKING
SOME TIME OFF!!

September 15th to September 25th

Office Hours resume on Tuesday Sept 29th



Please note the Temporary
Office Coverage from
September 15th to
September 25th

Tuesday Sept 15th & 22nd
10am-12pm (Audrey)

Thursday Sept 17th & 24th
10am-12pm (Cathy)

Friday Sept 18th & 25th
10am-12pm (Mary Jane)



Special Thank You to
Mary Jane Curtis,
Audrey Morrow &
Cathy Sweezie for
volunteering their
time to assist in the
office.



CARING CRAFTERS

September 15

Lounge

1-3pm

Sharon-Hope United Church:
Anniversary Sunday/
Appreciation Day

Sunday September 27th

Join Us After the Service for a
Non-Alcoholic Cocktail Party!!

Hosted by Congregational Life



— SHARON-HOPE UNITED CHURCH —

IS EXCITED TO

Welcome! THE KING DAVIS *Band*

An amazing cover band that excels in
performing songs from:

STEVIE WONDER • DAVID BOWIE
THE BEATLES • MICHAEL JACKSON
and many more!



FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 6TH
2026



STARTS AT
7:00 PM
DOORS OPEN
AT 6:20 PM



TICKETS
\$35
PER PERSON



GET YOUR
TICKETS
Here!! →



<https://forms.gle/iiuvyExaNRpeFoX8>



Refreshments will be served —
DURING INTERMISSION.



CLICK HERE!!

WE ARE TAKING *Orders Now!*

★ TAKE-OUT CHILI DINNER!! ★

NOVEMBER 14TH & 15TH



Price \$15/person
Family price \$50-2 adult,
2 children



EACH MEAL INCLUDES



CHILI



GARLIC BREAD



GREEN SALAD



A SWEET



Thank you for
your donations



CARING CRAFTERS

Check Out Our Library!!

Please remember Only Novels
can be donated.



SIGN UP FOR COFFEE TIME!!

Sign Up Sheet
located outside
the Kitchen.

The Week at a Glance (See [website calendar](#) for other details)

Week at a Glance – September 13 th to September 19 th						
Sunday Sept 13	Monday Sept 14	Tuesday Sept 15	Wednesday Sept 16	Thursday Sept 17	Friday Sept 18	Saturday Sept 19
		Rev Sadekie in Office		Rev Sadekie in Office	Rev Sadekie in Office	
		Office Coverage 10am-12pm (Audrey)		Office Coverage 10am-12pm (Cathy)	Office Coverage 10am-12pm Mary Jane	
		Newmarket Embers 12pm-2:30pm Hall / Kitchen		Lectionary 11am Lounge		
SHUC Worship 10 - 11am Sanctuary or Click for ZOOM	Kindergarten Class 8:30am-3:30pm Outside / Nursery (Monday to Friday)	Caring Crafters 1pm-3pm Lounge	Gwillimbury Quilters 9am-5pm Hall / Kitchen			Maple Leaf Men's Choir 12:30pm-3:30pm Sanctuary
Sharon Village Bible Church 1 - 5pm Building		York Harmony Chorus 6:30pm-10pm Harmony Hall		SHUC Celebration Choir 7pm-9:30pm Sanctuary	Gwillimbury Quilters 9am-5pm Harmony Hall / Kitchen	
		York Harmony Chorus 6:30pm-10pm (Hall)	A Cappella York 6:30pm-10pm Harmony Hall	Church of Christ 7:15pm-9:15pm Hall / Lounge		Church of Christ 5pm – 9pm Hall / Lounge



**Do you or a friend
need Pastoral Care?**

**Do you know how to
contact Rev Sadekie?**

**Do you need to speak with the Minister?
Here's how...**



1) Leave a confidential voicemail for Rev Sadekie on her private number 905-589-0889.



2) Email/Call the church office, leave your name & phone number and the office will direct the message. 905-478-2231



3) Let your phone tree caller know and they will redirect a message.

You Are Not Alone!

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