

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** RESURRECTION (EASTER) SUNDAY
- † **Office Hours:** Tuesday & Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. (D.C. Moore Centre.)
- † **Mon.:** Annual Fish Fry & Bonnet Parade
- † **Wed.:** Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
- † **Fri.:** New Generation Ministries at 6:30 p.m.
† Church Choir Practice at 8:00 p.m.
- † **Sat.:** Prayer Meeting at 6:30 a.m.
- † **Next Sun.:** Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth – 9:30 a.m.
† Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
† Harvest Festival at Penuel at 3:30 p.m.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! — who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied —
For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine — Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand:
Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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Prayer Needs:



Our Shut-ins: Eunice Applewhaite, Aileen Bowen, Genetha Bryan, Royle Deane, Carl Forde, Clement Harper, Grace Lashley, Erla Reid, Carol St. John.

The Sick/Recovering: Cynthia Waldron

Thanks to our readers, ushers, contributors to the Basket of Hope, our floral donors/arrangers, our sound technicians and visual aids technicians. Flowers today have been donated by the Layne Family.



Congratulations to Bro. Art & Sis. Valerie Ramsay who will celebrate their 15th Wedding Anniversary on April 5, 2018.



Today: Fay Martindale

Advanced: Keiana Maynard (2nd), Brenda Mascoll (4th), Genetha Bryan (shut-in) & Nathaneal Deane (5th), James T. Hinds & Akeem Maynard (6th), Resa Layne (7th)

MORAVIAN BIRTHDAY SONG

With Thy presence, Lord, our Head and Saviour, Bless them all we humbly pray;
Our dear heavenly Father's love and favour Be their comfort every day.
May the Holy Ghost in each proceeding Favour them with his most gracious leading;
Thus shall they be truly blessed, Both in labour and in rest.

Thought for the Day (RBC Extract)

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;
Buried, He carried my sins far away;
Rising, He justified freely forever:

One day He's coming — O glorious day! — Chapman

CHRIST'S EMPTY TOMB FILLS US WITH HOPE.

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<http://sharonmoravian.info>

PROVINCIAL THEME 2018:

Advance the Kingdom — Live As Kingdom Citizens



Take a cell-phone moment: Take the time now to set your phone to silent or turn it off. Help us to maintain our worship focus.

SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

Rejoice!

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Sunday April 1, 2018
Day of Resurrection
9:30 a.m.

Welcome: With joy we celebrate the resurrection of Christ, praying that through worship, fellowship, and the comfort of his word, we may be strengthened in the inner person. Welcome.

Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris
(Manse: 246-546-0344)

Associate Pastor: Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist: Bro. Carl Ifill

WATCHWORD: But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. (1 Corinthians 15:20)

ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship

Liturgy for Easter (*Liturgy Book: pg 133/projected*)

Scripture Reading – John 20: 1 – 18

Canticle 5 – *Te Deum Laudamus* (Canticle 7)Liturgy for Easter continued (*projected*)Hymn 131 – “*The Trumpet*”

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

Greeting Song – 594 – “*Let us share true peace*” (x4)

Choruses

Presentation by the Sunday School

Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence: “*The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the Lord, every man and woman whose hearts made them willing to bring forth all manner of work that the Lord had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.*” (Exod. 35:29)

Offertory Hymn – “*In Christ Alone*”

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – “*Thanks, thanks, I give you thanks*”Church Choir Anthem – “*Hail the day that sees Him rise*”**Sermon** – – **Rev. Ezra Parris**

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Hymn 126 – “*God sent His Son*”Musical Interlude/Prayer of Preparation (*page 9 – front of hymnal*)**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Invitation

Eucharistic Prayer

Institution of Bread

Distribution Hymns: 154 (140), 581 (540), 237 (221), 569 (526)

Institution of Wine

Distribution Hymns: 320 (295), 327 (302), 184 (171), 575 (533)

Thanksgiving Hymn – 80 (73)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Covenant Hymn: 600 (556)

The Blessing & Organ Postlude**GREETING SONG: 594**

*Let us share true peace with one another,
Shake another hand, shake another hand
Let us show our love for each other
Shake another hand, shake another hand
Let us show true unity, equality, solidarity
Shake another hand, shake hands with me.*

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

- Our annual fund-raising **Easter Monday Fish-Fry & Bonnet Parade** will be held on April 2, 2018. We look forward to the usual assistance of the congregation in the donation of food items and in the sale of tickets. Tickets are available from Sis Sylvia Arthur-Hurdle, Sis Sheila Browne or members of the Board of Stewards. **If you have not done so already, please deliver your donations of food items to the Office or Manse by tomorrow.**
- The PEC will convene its **second meeting for 2018 in the Barbados Conference** from April 5 to 8, 2018. As part of its meeting in Conferences, the PEC meets with all Joint Board Members and Ministerial Staff. On Saturday April 7th, from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon, the **PEC invites all Joint Board Members and Ministerial Staff to a meeting to be held at Sharon Moravian Church.** The PEC will share the Strategic Positioning Document among other things and will interact with members of the Conference. We will use this as one of our Pre Synod Conferences.
- The Eastern West Indies Province will participate in the **Unity Prayer Watch** from Midnight April 06 – 8:00 pm to April 09 – 8:00 pm, 2018. Sharon and Dunscombe have been given responsibility for Monday, April 9th— 6:01 am to 8:00 pm. A form has been placed on the Notice Board and you are asked to sign-up to keep the watch going. This watch has been a Moravian practice since August 13, 1727 when the Moravian Church had its Pentecostal experience.
- If you intend to claim on **donations made to the Moravian Church** when filing for your 2017 income tax return, please request via the Church Office that a statement be made to the Barbados Revenue Authority on your behalf. You will need to provide your National ID Number.
- The **32nd Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province** will be held July 5 to 11, 2019. We invite members and friends of the Moravian Church to make weekly contributions of at least \$1.00 towards those costs for which this Conference will be responsible. This contribution will be collected on the First Sunday of each month. Envelopes are available.
- Flowers are needed for our church!** You will find on the Notice Board next to the main door to the church, a roster in the shape of flower. You may sign up to indicate that you would (1) cover the cost to obtain flowers for the arrangements or (2) provide the complete arrangements, for a particular Sunday(s). Feel free to join with others to provide the flowers to celebrate your birthday(s) etc.
- Sunday Morning **Bus Route to Sharon:** Quarry Road (8:30 am), Redman's Village (8:35), Padmore Village (8:45), Melrose, Edge Hill Terrace (8:50), Canewood, Jackson Tenantry (9:00 am), Sharon (9:05).

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- Bus Fund – Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.
- Remember the “**Basket of Hope**” ministry wherein you have opportunity to make contributions of non-perishable food items, which are distributed to those in need. Contributions can be made every Sunday, during the offertory hymn.
- Moravian Radio Programme:** “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.
- Provincial Theme 2018:** “*Advance the Kingdom: Live As Kingdom Citizens*”

AVAILABLE:

- † **Offering Envelopes for 2018** — We invite each member of the congregation to receive a box of envelopes and thereby seek to faithfully support the work of the church. Please request that a box be provided for you if none has been provided as yet.
- † **Sharon Burgundy Shirts: Polos** — \$30; T-Shirts — \$15
- † On order from the Church Office, **copies of Sunday sermons** on CD — \$2.00.
- † **Greeting Cards** (\$2.00) and **Prints** (\$20.00) of a painting of Sharon Church from the Church Office.
- † **Books** by Rev. Neilson Waithe: Understanding the Caribbean Worker— \$25.00; Provocation—\$20.
- † The Book, ‘**Created in Their Image: Evangelical Protestantism in Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914**’ written by Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts. The cost is \$50.00.

In the Month of April 2018:

- † **Local Camp** (Intermediates: 13-17 yrs) — Wednesday, 4th to 8th
- † **Meeting of PEC** — 5th to 8th, Barbados
- † **Unity Prayer Watch** (Sharon & Dunscombe) — Monday, 9th
- † **Local Camp** (Juniors: 7-12 yrs) — Monday, 9th to 13th
- † **Harvest Festival at Faith** — Sunday, 15th
- † **Conference at Prayer** — Saturday, 21st at **Bethlehem**
- † **Annual Youth Convention** — Sunday, 22nd
- † **Conference Fellowship / Sports Day** — Saturday, 28th
- † **Moravian Music Sunday** — 29th
- † **Synod Concert** — Sunday, 29th