

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **This Week:**
- † **Office Hours:** Tuesdays & Fridays: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. (D.C. Moore Centre.)
- † **Mon.:** Touch of Love Ministry.
- † **Wed.:** Prayer Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- † **Sat.:** Prayer Meeting at 6:30 a.m.
 - † Sharon Men's Fellowship Picnic/VBS Tour and Picnic at 9.30 a.m.
- † **Next Sun.:** Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth — 9:30 a.m.
 - † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.

In the Month of August 2016:

- † **Vacation Bible School** — Until August 19th, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- † **Choirs on Break**
- † **New Generation Ministries on Break**
- † **Rev. Parris on Leave** — 8th to 29th
- † **Women's Fellowship Ladies Night Out** — Tuesday, 16th
- † **Children's Day Presentation & VBS Exhibition Sunday** — Sunday, 21st
- † **New Generation Ministries Cake Sale** — Sunday, 28th

In the Month of September 2016:

- † **Moravian Women's Fellowship Fun/Fellowship Day** — Saturday, 3rd
- † **Sharon Choir Evening of Tea & Music** — Saturday, 10th
- † **Senior's Sunday** — Sunday, 18th
- † **Missionary Festival at St. Philip**—Sunday, 18th, 4:00 p.m.
- † **Bus Tour & Picnic for the Elderly** — Tuesday, 20th. Please register with Sis. Carmel Downes, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Elders.
- † **Missionary Festival at Bethlehem**—Tuesday, 20th, 7:00 p.m.
- † **New Generation Ministries Cake Sale** — Sunday, 25th

Prayer Needs:



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

Thanks to our readers, ushers, contributors to the Basket of Hope, our floral donors/arrangers, our sound technicians and visual aids technicians.



Today: Alyssa Ifill

Advanced: Sian Cumberbatch & Nairee Maynard (15th), Kim Roberts, (17th), Ajani Ifill & Anthony Ifill (18th), Caleb Browne, Callie Browne & Arya Mainarde (20th)



Congratulations to Bro. George & Sis. Margaret Best who will celebrate their 37th Wedding Anniversary on August 18, 2016; Bro. Trevor & Sis. Una Campbell who will celebrate their Wedding anniversary on August 19, 2016.

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

More valuable than diamonds rare
Is priceless wisdom from above;
With purest gold it can't compare
Because it's filled with truth and love. — D. DeHaan —

WITH ALL YOUR GETTING, GET UNDERSTANDING. — Solomon

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PROVINCIAL THEME 2016:

Fulfilling the Mandate – "Advance the Kingdom"



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

(Built by Slaves - 1799)

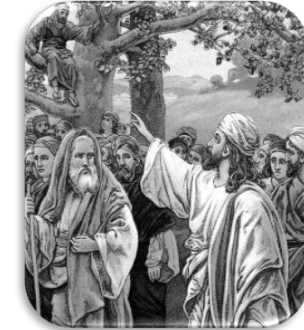
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Sunday, August 14, 2016

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

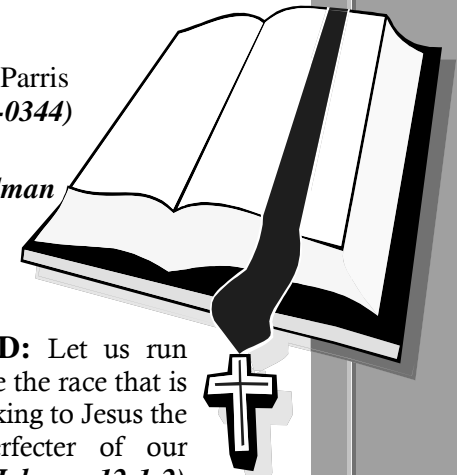
Welcome: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. We welcome one and all to worship today. May the assurance of God's love be your inspiration, and may you be blessed as you worship with us. Welcome to all.

Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris
(Manse: 246-425-0344)

Associate Pastor:
Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist:
Bro. Carl Ifill

WATCHWORD: Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. (Hebrews 12:1-2)



ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Call to Worship

Hymn 432 – “*All people that on earth do dwell*”Liturgy – The Fourth Order (*page 27 – front of hymnal*)

Welcome & Celebrations

Greeting Song – “*Come into his presence*” (x4)Chorus: “*We’re Together Again*” (*As We Return to Our Seats*)

Notices & Concerns

Choruses

Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence:“*Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all especially to those who are of the household of faith.*”

(Gal. 6:10)

Offertory Hymn: 156 – “*Come down O love divine*”

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – “*Give Thanks*”**Ministry of the Word:**

First Scripture Reading: Joshua 2: 1 – 7

Item of Special Music

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 19: 1 – 10

Hymn of Preparation: 327 – “*Jesus lover of my soul*”**Sermon – – Bro. Victor Hurdle**

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Closing Hymn: 221 – “*Make me a captive, Lord*”**The Benediction & Organ Postlude****GREETING SONG — Come Into His Presence***Come into his presence with thanksgiving in your heart**And give him praise . . . and give him praise;**Come into his presence with thanksgiving in your heart,**Our voices raise . . . our voices raise.**Give glory and honour and praise unto his name,**Jesus, the name above all names.***Give Thanks***Give thanks with a grateful heart,**Give thanks to the Holy One**Give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ is Son (repeat)**And now let the weak say I am strong**Let the poor say I am rich for what the Lord has done**Give thanks. (repeat)***NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. We thank Mr. Nathan Lovell for being our substitute Organist, last Sunday and today. We pray for his continued development as a young man and as a musician.
2. Our new **Hymnal, Caribbean Moravian Praise** is due to arrive on the island shortly and those who ordered are asked to submit payment of \$70.00 per copy to your congregation, so that payment can be made to the printers.
3. Continue in prayer for the **43rd Unity Synod** being held in Jamaica from August 12-19, 2016. The **delegates of the EWI Province to Unity Synod** are: Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis, Rev. Adrian Smith and Sister Jeaneta Waithe from Barbados. The Rev. Dr. Errol Connor, Vice Chairman of the EWIP Provincial Elders Conference and pastor of Nisky Congregation in St. Thomas will serve as Chairman of the 43rd Unity Synod. In addition, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kingsley Lewis will represent the Bishops of the Unity.
4. The **32nd Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province** is scheduled to be held in Barbados from July 6-14, 2018. The Barbados Conference has begun to make preparations for this event, including fundraising. Members and friends of the Moravian Church are asked to make a weekly contribution of at least \$1.00 towards those costs for which the Conference will be responsible. This contribution will be collected on the First Sunday of each month.
5. **Church Membership/Confirmation Class for adults** will be started in September. Interested persons and invited to register. Registration forms are available from the pastor.
6. **Flowers are needed for our church!** You will find on the wall 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.
7. Sunday Morning **Bus Route to Sharon**: Quarry Road (8:30 a.m.), Redman's Village (8:35), Padmore Village (8:45), Melrose, Edge Hill Terrace (8:50), Canewood, Jackson Tenantry (9:00 a.m.), Sharon (9:05).

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8. **Bus Fund** —Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.
9. 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.
10. **Moravian Radio Programme**: “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.
11. **Provincial Theme 2016: Fulfilling the Mandate— Advance the Kingdom!** The theme emphasizes the mandate of Developing God’s Church – Teaching, Reprimanding and Empowering God’s people. The foundation texts are Acts 1:8, Matthew 28: 16-20 Romans 15:20; 2 Timothy 4:2.

AVAILABLE:

- † **Offering Envelopes for 2016**— 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.
- † **Missionary Collection Boxes**— If you had a box last year, please collect it from the Vestry. If you desire a box for the first time, please inquire at the vestry after worship or at the Church Office.
- † 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.