

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** Harvest Sunday.
 - † Harvest Programme at 3:30 p.m.
- † **This Week:**
- † **Office Hours:** Mondays & 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 at 7:30 p.m.
- † **Tues.:** Missionary Festival at Fulnec at 7:30 p.m.
- † **Wed.:** Church Membership Class at 5:30 p.m.
 - † Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
- † **Thurs.:** Women's Fellowship Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- † **Fri.:** New Generation Ministries at 6:30 p.m.
 - † Church Choir Rehearsal at 8:00 p.m.
- † **Sat.:** Conference Prayer Meeting at Calvary at 6:00 a.m.
- † **Next Sun.:** Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth — 9:30 a.m.
 - † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
 - † Blood Pressure Clinic after worship

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.

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<http://sharonmoravian.info>

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.



The Sick / Recovering: Gretel Smith, Ernesta Marshall-Jemmott
The Bereaved: We express condolences to and pray for: The Rouse family on the passing of Shanti Rouse.

Thanks to our readers, ushers, contributors to the Basket of Hope, our floral donors/arrangers, our sound technicians and visual aids technicians. Flowers today are donated in memory of Sis. Ethel Hutson.



Today: Albertha Osbourne

Advanced: Denise Grant, Aliyah Smith-Boucher & Alyssa Smith-Boucher (14th), Kimoi Jones, Abigail King, Zahra Nicholls & Saadiq Prescod (15th), Sheila Browne, Mario Depeiza & Jerome Watts (17th), Kathryn Eversley, Norma Nicholls & Velda Whittaker (19th)



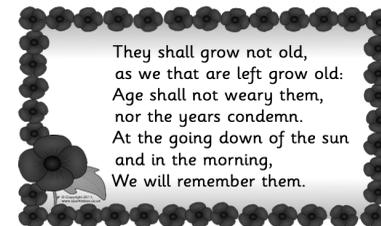
Congratulations to Bro. Louis & Sis. Marjorie Adams who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on November 19, 2016

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

If you sow seeds of wickedness, Sin's harvest you will reap;
But scattered seeds of righteousness
Yield blessings you can keep. — Sper —

SOW TODAY WHAT YOU WANT TO REAP TOMORROW.**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**

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Sunday, November 13, 2016

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Chief Elder Festival

Harvest Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: O give thanks unto the Lord for he is good and his mercies endure forever. Welcome is extended to all as on this day of thanksgiving we pray that God will bless us to the overflowing as we worship him. Welcome.

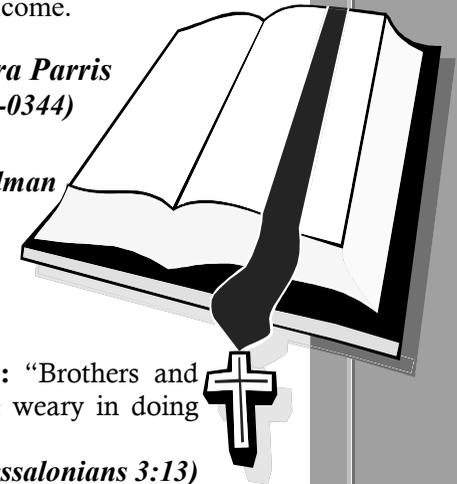
Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris
(Manse: 246-425-0344)

Associate Pastor:
Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist:
Bro. Carl Ifill

WATCHWORD: "Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right."

(2 Thessalonians 3:13)



ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship (Psalm 96:1, 6)

L: Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Sing to the LORD,
all the earth.

C: *Honour and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty
are in His sanctuary.*

Hymn 637 (CMP) – “Praise, O praise our God and King” (595)

Invocation

Litany – Thanksgiving (*projected*)

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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

Choruses

Song of Praise by the Youth Choir

Worship in Tithes & Offerings. Offertory Sentence: “And my
God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches
in glory in Christ Jesus.” **(Philippians 4:19 NRSV)**

Tithes/Offertory Hymn: 630 – “With Thankful Harvest Song, Lord”

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – “Give Thanks”

Ministry of the Word:

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 65: 17 – 25

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 21: 5 – 19

Church Choir Anthem

Sermon – – **Rev. Ezra Parris**

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Closing Hymn: 641 – “O Lord of heaven and earth ...” (597)

The Benediction**Organ Postlude****In the Month of November 2016:**

- † Rev Parris on vacation — 14th- 23rd
- † **Harvest Festival at Bethlehem** — Sunday, 20th at 3:30 p.m.
- † **The First Sunday of Advent** — 27th
- † **Barbados 50th Anniversary Service** — Sunday, 27th, 4:00 p.m. at the Kensington Oval.

GREETING SONG —

*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**

1. The **Sharon Moravian Church building** has been selected as the non-governmental building in the Parish of St. Thomas that will be lit by the Ministry of Culture in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Independence of our nation.
 - † Here at Sharon we intend to do our part and a plan has been put in place to decorate the interior of the Sanctuary and to touch on the independence theme as we worship.
2. **From the PEC:** The Ballots from the second round of voting to elect a Lay Member of PEC were counted on November 3, 2016. There were 57 ballots cast.
 - † The PEC is pleased to announce that Brother Anslem Richards of Tobago surpassed the two-thirds majority of those casting their votes, receiving forty (40) votes, and was therefore duly elected as the new Lay Member of PEC. We are thankful to God for leading us through this process and we commit Brother Richards and the entire PEC into His care.
 - † The PEC wishes to thank all of the Delegates who participated in the election process. In addition, we are grateful to the Election Officers; Lorna Simon, Claudette Anthony and Eversleigh Warner, who took time out of their busy schedules to ensure that everything went well.
3. **New Generation Ministries** won the St. Thomas Parish (Independence) Talent Competition and will go on to represent the Parish at the **Spirit of the Nation Show** on November 19, 2016 at Kensington Oval. We congratulate NGM. Please continue to pray for and support the group.
4. Thanks to all who supported our **Missionary Festival** held on Tuesday, October 18th. We raised \$15,130.15. If you have not yet made your contribution you can still do so and help us to our target of \$20,000 by the end of the year. Funds raised will go towards local missions, and to missionary endeavours across the region and the world through the various mission organizations of the Moravian Church.
5. Groups and Organizations are requested to prepare their Calendar of Events for 2017 and submit such to the Pastoral team by Sunday, November 27, 2016.
6. 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. Envelopes are available.
7. **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.

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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.

8. **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).
9. **Bus Fund**—Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.
10. 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.
11. **Moravian Radio Programme:** “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 pm.
12. **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.

630 (CMP)

With thankful harvest song, Lord, we lift our hearts to thee,
As in thy holy house we meet, where oft we bend the knee.
For fruits and flowers we praise thee, for mind and body fed;
For crimson dawns, for sunsets, and for our daily bread.

*Bless the Lord for beauty, and abundant food.
Lift your hearts in thanks to him and sing, “The Lord is good”.*

O see the glowing orange hang on laden bough;
O see the golden mango, that gladdens high and low:
The breadfruit, in its season which nourishes and cheers;
Bright ackees scarlet-painted, and green and purple pears.

All these, and more, God giveth, and food beneath the ground;
Each in its season, year by year, in this our land are found.
Ah, how can man, ungrateful still sin against thee so?
Forbid it, Lord, and cause us with love to overflow.

Thou great and holy Giver, with all thy gifts, we pray
Endue us with thy heavenly grace, to walk the narrow way.
Thy meekness, lowly Jesus to our proud hearts be given;
And while we journey onward O make us fit for heaven.