

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT**

- † **Today:** Blood Pressure Clinic after worship
  - † Harvest Festival at Dunscombe at 3:30 p.m. Bus leaves at 3:00 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.:** Women's Fellowship at 7:00 p.m.
- † **Wed.:** Church Membership Class at 5:30 p.m.
  - † Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
- † **Fri.:** New Generation Ministries at 6:30 p.m.
  - † Church Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 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.
  - † Clifton Hill's Harvest Festival at 3:30 p.m.

**AVAILABLE:**

- † **Moravian Daily Text 2017:**
  - † American Paperback Edition — \$22
  - † American Large Print Paperback Edition — \$25
- † Offering Envelopes for 2017 — 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.
- † **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.

**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:** Ernesta Marshall-Jemmott (QEH – C6), Howard and Beverly Arthur (Canada)



**The Bereaved:** We express condolences to and pray for: Sis Violet Taylor and family on the passing of her son Captain David Taylor. A Service of Thanksgiving for his life will be held here at Sharon on Thursday, February 23, 2017 commencing at 1:00 p.m., with internment at the Military Cemetery.

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 Ricardo & Lelia Gibbs in celebration of their wedding anniversary.



**Advanced:** Zachary Hoyte, Ashley Marshall & Jaaziel Parris (20<sup>th</sup>), Keandra Eversley, Roseann Lewis & Simone Jean-Marie (21<sup>st</sup>), Felicia Best & Ebony Knight (23<sup>rd</sup>)



Congratulations to Bro. Ricardo & Sis. Lelia Gibbs who will celebrate their 49<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on February 24, 2017.

**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 we commit ourselves to Christ And follow in His way,  
He'll give us life that satisfies  
With purpose for each day — Sper —

TO GET THE MOST OUT OF LIFE, MAKE EVERY MOMENT COUNT FOR CHRIST.

**PROVINCIAL THEME 2017:**

Advance the Kingdom – Use the Keys.



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.



# Worship



SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, February 19, 2017  
Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 a.m.

**Welcome:** "Thanks we give and adoration." And we welcome everyone to worship today, for this is "a house of prayer for all people." May God bless us wonderfully.

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

**Associate Pastor:**  
Rev. Movelle Kellman

**Organist:**  
Bro. Carl Ifill

**WATCHWORD:** Paul wrote: For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 3:11)

**ORDER OF WORSHIP****Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship:

**L:** Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth! Sing out the honour of His name; Make His praise glorious. Say to God, "How awesome are Your works! . . .

**C:** *All the earth shall worship You And sing praises to You; They shall sing praises to Your name.*"

Litany – A Canticle of Praise (on leaflet/projected)

Song of Praise by the Youth Choir

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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

Choruses

Worship in Tithes & Offerings. Offertory Sentence: "You are so rich in all you have: in faith, in speech, and knowledge, in your eagerness to help and in your love for us. And so we want you to be generous also in this service of love." (2 Cor. 8:7 TEV)

Tithes/Offerory Hymn: 165 (CMP) – "The King of love ..." (152)

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – "Give Thanks"

**Ministry of the Word:**

First Scripture Reading: Leviticus 19: 1 – 2, 9 – 18

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 5: 38 – 48

Church Choir Anthem – "God Is On Our Side"

**Sermon** – – **Rev. Ezra Parris**

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Closing Hymn: 731 (CMP) – "Lift every voice and sing"

**The Benediction****Organ Postlude****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 **Rev Holder Memorial Shield T20/20 Tape Ball Cricket Competition** will commence on, Friday, 24th February, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the James Bryan Complex, Market Hill, St. George. The evening will commence with an opening ceremony and the match will commence at 7:30 p.m.

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

All teams should be ready for the start in full uniform, black track suit bottom and the colour shirt of their church. The competition consists of TWO (2) Zones: The Rev. Dufferin Culpepper Zone and The Rev. Romeo Challenger Zone. There are Two (2) Shields to be won, The Rev. Holder Shield, which will only be contested for by Moravian Teams. The second, Moravian Memorial T20 Cricket Shield, which may be contested for by any team within the competition.

2. 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.
3. **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.
4. 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).
5. **Bus Fund** — Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.
6. 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.
7. **Moravian Radio Programme:** "Moravian Voice" on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.
8. **Provincial Theme 2017: "Advance the Kingdom: Use the Keys"** There are many keys but ONE door. By studying the many keys to the kingdom we will be brought to the knowledge that keys are accessible, available and ought be fully utilized: **The Key of Jesus** (Philippians 2:1-11, Revelation 3:7-13); **The Key of the Word** (John 8:31-36, Psalm 1, Luke 4:4); **The Key of Knowledge** (Proverbs 3:5-12); **The Key of the Holy Spirit** (Luke 4).

**In the Month of March 2017:**

- † **Lay Academy** — Mondays, 6:00 p.m. at Calvary. Introduction of the Old Testament.
- † **Pastorate Joint Ash Wednesday Service** — 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
- † **World Day of Prayer** — Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- † **Church Leaders Retreat** — Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup>
- † **Unity Sunday, March of Witness** — 5<sup>th</sup>
- † **Sunday School Quiz & Spelling Bee** — Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup>
- † **Harvest Festival** at Gracehill — Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup>
- † **Meeting of Island Conference** — Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
- † **Harvest Festival** at Mount Tabor — Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup>
- † **Centenary Anniversary Concert** — Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> at Sharon, 6:00 p.m.
- † **Harvest Festival** at Penuel — Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup>

**731 (CMP)**

Lift every voice and sing Till earth and heaven ring  
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty; Let our rejoicing rise,  
High as the list'ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea  
Sing a song full of faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chast'ning rod,  
Felt in the day that hope unborn had died; Yet with a steady beat,  
Have not our weary feet, Come to the place on which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way; Thou who has by thy might,  
Led us into the light, Keep us forever in the path, we pray  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee,  
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee,  
Shadowed beneath the hand, May we forever stand,  
Tru to our God, Tru to our native land.

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