

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** Church Council.
 † Ordination Service for Bro. Delroy Burley at Sharon at 6:00 p.m. The Rt. Rev. Dr. Kingsley Lewis will be the Presiding Bishop.
- † **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 Ministries at 7:30 p.m.
 † **Tues.:** Women's Fellowship Meeting at 6:30 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.:** Moravian Church of Barbados Conference at Prayer at 6:30 a.m. at Clifton Hill.
 † **Sun.:** Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m.; Youth – 9:30 a.m.
 † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
 † Centenary's Harvest Festival at 3:30 p.m.

- † **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.

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.*

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, Howard and Beverly Arthur (Canada)
- The Bereaved:** We express condolences to and pray for: The family of Norma Williams on her passing. A service of Thanksgiving for her life will be held here at Sharon on Friday, January 27, 2017 commencing at 3:00 p.m.

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 Sis. Candace Barker and Sis. Tracy Barker-Linton in celebration of their birthdays.

- Today:** Tracey Barker-Linton, Elan Greenidge & Monica Maynard
- Advanced:** Jaylon Burke (24th), André Lewis (25th), Tyson Babb, Candace Barker, Kanasha Greenidge & Nicholas Waithe (27th)



Congratulations to Bro. Lawrence & Sis. Esmay Walrond who will celebrate their 52nd Wedding Anniversary on January 23, 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

All Christians have been gifted
 By grace from God above,
 Equipped to build and strengthen
 The Church in faith and love. — Fitzhugh. —

THERE ARE NO UNIMPORTANT PEOPLE IN THE BODY OF 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.

**SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH**

(Built by Slaves - 1799)

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Sunday, January 22, 2017
Third Sunday after the Epiphany
9:30 a.m.

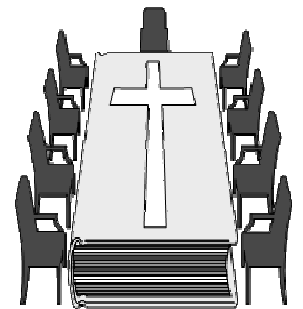
Welcome: Welcome to God's house. "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it."

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

Associate Pastor:
Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist:
Bro. Carl Ifill

**COUNCIL
 MEETING**



WATCHWORD: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
 (Psalm 27:1)

ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship (Psalm 89: 1):

L: I will sing of the mercies of the LORD forever;**C:** *With my mouth will I make known [His] faithfulness to all generations.*

Opening Hymn: 485 – “Praise Him, Praise Him”

Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving

Hymn 491 – “O praise ye the Lord ...”

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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

Chorus: “We’re Together Again” (As We Return to Our Seats)

Song of Praise by the Junior Choir

Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence: “As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.” (Gal. 6:10)

Offertory Hymn: 291 – “I lift my heart to thee, ...” (266)

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – “Give Thanks”

Ministry of the Word

Scripture Reading – 1 Corinthians 1: 10 – 18

Scripture Reading – Matthew 4: 12 – 23

Church Choir Anthem

Sermon – – **Rev. Ezra Parris**

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Closing Hymn: 281 – “I am thine, O Lord”

Church Council

Doxology**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. The Sharon Choir will host a Concert entitled, “If Music be the Food of Love ...” on Saturday, February 4, 2017 at 6:00 pm. Artistes will include: Sharon Choir, Jane Small, BCC Ensemble, Johann Barker. Tickets are available from members of the Choir at \$20.00. Proceeds will go to the Organ Fund. All are invited.
2. Our Offering Envelopes have not arrived as yet and as a temporary measure, you are asked to make use of the specially printed envelopes provided at doors, in the brochure holders or from the ushers. Please write your envelope number from 2016 or your name and fill-in the amounts indicating where your offering is directed.

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

3. January is recognized as Drug Awareness Month in Barbados, and we join with the National Council on Substance Abuse (NCSA) in the effort to reduce substance abuse. Be reminded and remind others of the Christian responsibility to live soberly before God and with others. A message from the NCSA for Drug Awareness Month can be found on the Notice Board, or from our website (sharonmoravian.info) under *This Week’s Bulletin, View Full Archive.*
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. Envelopes are available.
5. 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.
6. 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).
7. **Bus Fund**—Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.
8. 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.
9. Moravian Radio Programme: “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 pm.
10. 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 January 2017:

- + Lay Academy — Mondays, 6:00 p.m. at Calvary. Introduction of the Old Testament.
- + Moravian Church Barbados Conference at Prayer — Saturday, 28th at 6:00 am at Clifton Hill.
- + Moravian Disciples Concert — Saturday 28th at 6:00 p.m. at the Derrick Smith School & Vocational Centre, Layers.
- + Harvest Festival at Centenary— Sunday, 29th at 3:30 p.m.

In the Month of February 2017:

- + Lay Academy — Mondays, 6:00 p.m. at Calvary. Introduction of the Old Testament.
- + Concert: “If Music be the Food of Love ...” — Saturday, 4th at 6:00 p.m.
- + Installation of Officers — Sunday, 5th
- + Harvest Festival at Fulnec — Sunday, 5th
- + Women’s Fellowship Rally — Tuesday, 7th at 7:00 p.m.
- + Friendship Week — Sunday, 5th to Sunday 12th. Tell a friend about Sharon and invite them to Church on Sunday, 12th.
- + Men’s Prayer Breakfast — Saturday, 11th at Sharon at 7.00 a.m. Speaker: Pastor Morris Lee. Theme: *A Man of God at All Times & In All Seasons.* Tickets are available at \$20.00
- + Anniversary & Friendship Sunday & Picnic — February 12th, 10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. to Bath, St. John. Tickets to cover the cost of the buses available: Adults—\$15 and Children 12yrs. and under—\$10.
- + Harvest Festival at Calvary — Sunday, 12th
- + Women’s Prayer Breakfast — Saturday, 18th
- + Harvest Festival at Dunscombe — Sunday, 19th
- + Harvest Festival at Clifton Hill — Sunday, 26th

We’re together again, praising the Lord

*We’re together again, just praising the Lord
We’re together again, in one accord
Something good is going to happen
Something good is in store,
We’re together again, just praising the Lord*

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