

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** Harvest Festival at Centenary 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.:** Women's Fellowship 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.:** Prayer Meeting at 6:30 a.m.
 - † Sharon Church Choir Programme – "If Music Be The Food Of Love ..." – at 6:00 p.m. Performances by various artistes. Admission \$20. Please give your support
- † **Next Sun.:** Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth — 9:30 a.m.
 - † Divine Worship & Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m. (Installation of Officers)
 - † Fulnec's Harvest Festival at 3:30 p.m.

AVAILABLE:

- † 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.
- † 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.

Visit our Website at <http://sharon.moravians.net> or
<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: Ernesta Marshall-Jemmott, Howard and Beverly Arthur (Canada)

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



Advanced: Debbie Greaves (30th), Trevor Campbell (31st), Muriel Moore (Feb. 1st), Leila Bernstein, Heather Greenidge, Carl Ifill, Sandra Maynard & Maggie Phillips-Brewster (2nd), Ciauné Barker & Cynthia Waldron (3rd), Kirby Adams & Eunice Applewhaite (4th)

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

No other name can save me,
No other name beside,
But Jesus Christ the risen Lord,
The One they crucified. — Brandt —

WHAT YOU DECIDE ABOUT JESUS WILL DETERMINE YOUR DESTINY



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, January 29, 2017
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
9:30 a.m.

Welcome: "Today we meet to worship in the assurance that in our Lord Jesus Christ, we are victorious both in this world and in the world to come." Welcome.

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

Associate Pastor:
Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist:
Bro. Carl Ifill

WATCHWORD: Paul wrote: For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. (1 Corinthians 1:18)

ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship:

L: O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker. (Ps. 95:6)

C: *In His presence there is fullness of joy; at His right hand are pleasures forevermore.* (Ps. 16:11)

Hymn 475 (CMP) – *“Praise the Lord! Ye heavens ...”* (445)

Invocation

Litany – Epiphany (Revised) *(on leaflet/projected)*

Song of Praise by the Youth Choir

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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

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

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)

Tithes/Offertory Hymn: 235 (CMP) – *“Take my life ...”* (219)

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – *“Give Thanks”*

Ministry of the Word:

First Scripture Reading: Micah 6: 1 – 8

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 5: 1 – 12

Church Choir Anthem – *“Eternal God”*

Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Closing Hymn: 233 (CMP) – *“Jesus, Master, whose I am”* (218)

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.*

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*

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

- 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: The Barclaysingers, 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.
- From the PEC:**
 - † The PEC and the Superintendents will meet for the annual Superintendent’s Conference which will be held at the Provincial Headquarters, Cashew Hill, Antigua from January 31 – February 01, 2017. Following the Superintendent’s Conference, the PEC will continue its meeting from February 02 – February 3.
 - † The Rev. Andrew Roberts of the Barbados Conference requested and was granted Furlough from February 1 to May 30, 2017.
 - † The Rev. Adrian Smith has completed his PhD in Leadership, with Piedmont International University, Winston Salem, North Carolina. His thesis was entitled *“Examining the transformational and servant leadership characteristics of Elders of the Barbados Conference of the Moravian Church. The Graduation is due to take place in May 2017. The Eastern West Indies Province offers Congratulations to Dr. Adrian Smith on the successful completion of his doctoral studies.*
 - † A Unity delegation will travel to Jamaica from February 5 – 9, 2017. The delegation will seek to give support and encouragement and to reassure their Province of our prayers as they continue to deal with the crisis and the fallout that this has caused.
- 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.
- 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.

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

- 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).
- 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 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 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 12 yrs. 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