

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** MOTHER'S DAY.
- † **This Week:**
- † **Office Hours:** Tuesday & Friday: 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.:** Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
- † **Fri.:** New Generation Ministries at 6:30 p.m.
  - † Church Choir Rehearsal at 8:00 p.m.
- † **Sat.:** Prayer Meeting at 6:30 a.m.
- † **Next Sun.:** **PENTECOST**
  - † Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth — 9:30 a.m.
  - † Divine Worship & Lovefeast (Blessing of Infant) at 9:30 a.m.

### AVAILABLE:

- † **Offering Envelopes** for 2018 – We ask each member of the congregation to request a box of envelopes if one has not been provided and thereby seek to faithfully support the work of the church.
- † **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.

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### Prayer Needs:



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



**The Sick/Recovering:** Cynthia Walrond, Harold Carrington

Thanks to our readers, ushers, contributors to the Basket of Hope, our floral donors/arrangers, our sound technicians and visual aids technicians. The flowers today were donated by Bro. Kelvin Carter in celebration of his birthday.



**Today:** Lucene Baker & Wendy Davis

**Advanced:** Gwendolyn Brewster, Gabrielle Cumberbatch & Clovis Williams (14<sup>th</sup>), Dawn Moore (15<sup>th</sup>), Coraleen Greenidge (16<sup>th</sup>)



Congratulations to Bro. Dennis & Sis. Julia Depeiza who are celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary today; Bro. Martin & Sis. Sophia Codrington who will celebrate their 14<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on May 15, 2018.

### 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

Crown him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark! how the heavenly music drowns  
All music but its own. – Bridges –

HEAVEN'S CROWNS ARE NOT FOR KEEPING BUT FOR  
CASTING AT CHRIST'S FEET.



### PROVINCIAL THEME 2018:

Advance the Kingdom – Live As Kingdom Citizens.



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, May 13, 2018  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day

9:30 a.m.

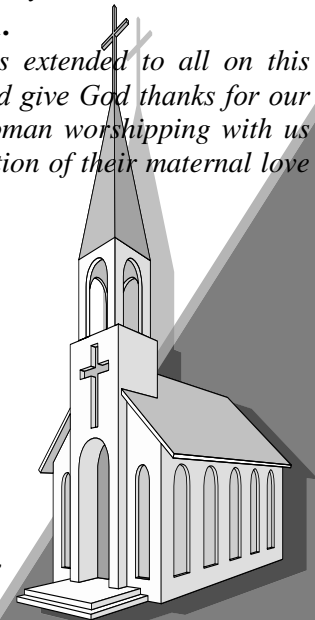
**Welcome:** A sincere welcome is extended to all on this Mother's Day as we celebrate and give God thanks for our mothers. May each and every woman worshipping with us today be assured of our appreciation of their maternal love and care. Welcome.

**Pastor:** Rev. Ezra Parris  
(Manse: 246-546-0344)

**Associate Pastor:**  
Rev. Movelle Kellman

**Organist:**  
Bro. Carl Ifill

**WATCHWORD:** Jesus says,  
"Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth." (John 17:17)



ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship: *Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. (Psalm 95:1)*

Opening Hymn: 135 – “Rejoice the Lord is King” (119)

Litany of Women & Mothers (p. 210: Liturgy Book, Leaflet)

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

Greeting Song: 594 – “Let Us Share True Peace” (x4)

Choruses

Sunday School Tribute to Mothers

Presentations to Mothers

(Hymn 218: Like the Woman At the Well)

**Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence:** *Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons.*

*Freely you have received, freely give. (Matthew 10:8)*

Tithes/Offertory Hymn: 290 – “O Jesus I have promised” (265)

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response: 718 vs. 1 & 2 – “We give thee but thine own”(678)

**Ministry of the Word:**

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 1

Second Scripture Reading: John 17: 6 – 19

Choir Anthem – “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**Sermon** – – *Sis. Angelus Hurdle*

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Closing Hymn: 270 – “He pardoned my transgressions”

**The Benediction & Organ Postlude****In the Month of May 2018:**

† Seniors Camp / Retreat – Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>

† Conference Synod Flea Market – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>

† Pentecost – Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup>

† Annual Lovefeast – Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup>

† Fulneq Witsuntide Variety Concert – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>

† Clifton Hill Market Day – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>

† Bethlehem Fund Raising Concert – Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup>

**OFFERTORY CHORAL RESPONSE**

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We give thee but thine own, what'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,  
And gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. Team members needed! We want to strengthen our **media ministry** and we are in need of volunteers to be trained in the use of our hymn projection system. If you are interested, please submit your names to the pastors or the Church Office.
2. The 2019 (North American) **Moravian Women's Conference** will be held June 20-23, 2019 under the Theme: *Unleash Your Power!* at Embassy Suites by Hilton, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Featured speaker will be New York Times Bestselling Author, Rachel Held Evans, with additional Keynotes by Bishop Kay Ward and the Rev. Christie Melby-Gibbons. Registration opens July 1, 2018 at [www.moravian.online/women](http://www.moravian.online/women).
3. The **32nd Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province** will be held July 5 to 11, 2019. We invite members and friends of the Moravian Church to make weekly contributions of at least \$1.00 towards those costs for which this Conference will be responsible. This contribution will be collected on the First Sunday of each month. Envelopes are available.
4. **Flowers are needed for our church!** You will find on the Notice Board 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.
5. 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).
6. **Bus Fund** – Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.
7. 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.
8. **Moravian Radio Programme:** “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.
9. **Provincial Theme 2018:** “*Advance the Kingdom: Live As Kingdom Citizens*” 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).

**218 (CMP)**

Like the woman at the well, I was seeking  
For things that could not satisfy;  
And then I heard my Saviour speaking;  
“Draw from my well that shall never run dry.”

*Fill my cup Lord, I lift it up Lord!  
Come and quench this thirsting of my soul;  
Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more –  
Fill my cup, fill it up and make me whole!*

There are millions in this world who are craving,  
The pleasures earthly things afford;  
But none can match the wondrous treasure  
That I find in Jesus Christ, my Lord.

So, my brother, if the things this world gave you,  
Leave hungers that won't pass away,  
My blessed Lord will come and save you  
If you kneel to Him and humbly pray.

**270 (CMP)**

He pardoned my transgressions, He sanctified my soul,  
He honours my confessions Since by His blood I'm whole.

*It is truly wonderful what the Lord has done!  
It is truly wonderful! It is truly wonderful!  
It is truly wonderful what the Lord has done!  
Glory to His Name.*

He keeps me every moment By trusting in His grace;  
'Tis through His blest atonement That I may see His face.

He brings me through affliction, He leaves me not alone;  
He's with me in temptation, He keeps me for His own.

He prospers and protects me, His blessings ever flow;  
He fills me with His glory, He makes me bright as snow.

He keeps me firm and faithful, His love I do enjoy,  
For this I shall be grateful, And live in His employ.

There's not a single blessing Which we receive on earth  
That does not come from heaven, The source of our new birth.