

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** Harvest Festival at Faith at 3:30 p.m. The Bus leaves at 3:30 p.m.
- † **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.:** Shut-in Communion (Sharon, Canewood) at 9:30 a.m.
 - † 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.:** Conference at Prayer at Bethlehem at 6:00 a.m.
- † **Next Sun.:** **YOUTH CONVENTION AT SHARON**
 - † Divine Worship at 10:00 a.m.
 - † New Generations Ministries Bake Sale
 - † **Fellowship Festival** – 3:30 p.m. Indoor and outdoor interactive competitive activities. The attire for the day will be totally casual, thus all are encouraged to wear their congregational colours with jeans, softwear, etc. to participate and be comfortable.

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.

Visit our Website at <http://sharon.moravians.net> or
<http://sharonmoravian.info>

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

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

Today: Darren Clarke & Waveney Hinds

Advanced: Chelsea Greenidge (16th), Shelah Clarke (17th), Cornetta Franklin, Liam Pinder & Shawn Stewart (18th), Editha Garner (19th), Katrina Bryan (21st), Gloria Skeete (22nd), Ambakisy Alleyne (23rd), Everil Carrington & Krishonda Myles (24th), Anson Skeete (25th), Ansonia Burgess (27th), Samantha Lewis (28th)



Congratulations to Bro. Elsworth Clarke & Sis. Sheila Foster-Clarke who will celebrate their 20th Wedding Anniversary on April 18, 2018; Bro. & Sis. Bellamy who will celebrate their Wedding Anniversary on April 20, 2018; Bro. Walwyn & Sis. Shirley Blackman who will celebrate their 45th Wedding Anniversary on April 28, 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

Oh, such love, my soul, still ponder –
Love so great, so rich, so free!
Say, while lost in holy wonder,
“Why, O Lord, such love to me?” – Kent.

NO ONE IS BEYOND THE REACH OF GOD'S LOVE.



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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But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.

- Acts 3:14-15

Sunday, April 15, 2018

Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: Welcome, and let this place resound with the shout, “Jesus is alive forevermore.” We rejoice that life eternal is given to all who believe in the risen Saviour.

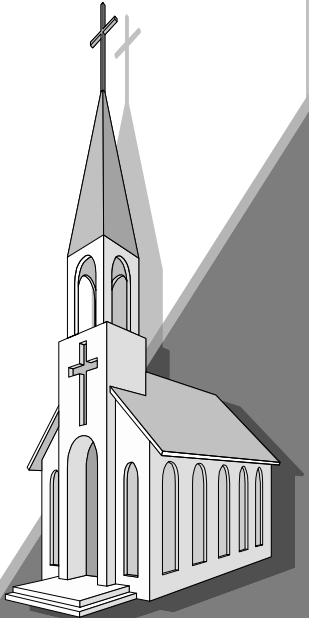
Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris
(Manse: 246-546-0344)

Associate Pastor:
Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist:
Bro. Carl Ifill

WATCHWORD: See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.

(1 John 3:1)



ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn: 28 – “Praise my soul the King of heaven” (31)

Responsive Reading – Psalm 84

Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving

Hymn 491 – “O Praise Ye The Lord”

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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

Choruses

Song of Praise by the Junior Choir

Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence: “Bring the tithes in full to the treasury, so that there is food in my house; put me to the test now like this, says Yahweh Sabaoth, and see if I do not open the floodgates of heaven for you and pour out an abundant blessing for you”

(Malachi 3:10 NJB)

Tithes/Offertory Hymn: 520 – “O Lord of Hosts, today”

(Hymn of the Month; CHOIR Only)

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – “Thanks, Thanks, I Give You Thanks”

Ministry of the Word:

First Scripture Reading: Acts 3: 12 – 19

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 24: 36b – 48

Choir Anthem

Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Closing Hymn: 440 – “Ye that know the Lord is gracious” (413)

The Benediction & Organ Postlude**In the Month of April 2018:**† **Conference at Prayer – Saturday, 21st at Bethlehem**† **Conference Fellowship / Sports Day – Saturday, 28th**† **Moravian Music Sunday – 29th**† **Synod Concert – Sunday, 29th****OFFERTORY CHORAL RESPONSE***(Thanks, Thanks, I Give You Thanks)*

Thanks, thanks, I give you thanks

For all you've done.

I am so blessed, my soul is at rest;

O Lord, I give you thanks.

**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 **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.
3. **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.
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 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).

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*O praise ye the Lord, O praise ye the Lord!
Praise God in His sanctuary: O praise ye the Lord!
O praise ye the Lord, O praise ye the Lord!
Praise God in His sanctuary: O praise ye the Lord!*

In the firmament of his power, PRAISE HIM!
For his mighty acts let us PRAISE HIM!
For his excellent greatness PRAISE HIM!
O praise ye the Lord.

With the sound of the trumpet, PRAISE HIM!
With the psaltry and harp, O PRAISE HIM!
With the dance and the timbrel PRAISE HIM!
O praise ye the Lord

With the stringed instruments let us, PRAISE HIM!
With the organs, O let us PRAISE HIM!
With the high and loud cymbals PRAISE HIM!

*Let everything that hath breath,
Let everything that hath breath,
Praise the Lord.*

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O Lord of Hosts, today we'll worship and adore;
Then meet us as we kneel to pray and make us love Thee more.

To this Thy house of prayer we come with willing feet.
A loving fellowship we share harmoniously sweet.

We thank Thee, Lord, for heaven, while here to Thee we sing.
But chiefly for Christ Jesus given, and then for everything.

Grant us the faith, that we Thy servants may remain;
And toiling on continually, Thy great cause to maintain.

This prayer we offer here, for all these souls are thine
O bend from heaven Thy gracious ear, Thou Majesty Divine.

To Thee all glory be, and to Thy blessed Son;
All glory Holy Ghost to Thee while endless ages run.