

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** Church Council.
 - † Centenary's Harvest Festival at 3:30 p.m.
- † **This Week:**
- † **Office Hours:** Tuesdays & 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.:** Prayer Meeting 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.
 - † **Concert:** "Love Is A Many Splendored Thing!" at 6:00 p.m. Tickets cost \$20.
- † **Sun.:** Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m.; Youth – 9:30 a.m.
 - † Divine Worship (Installation of Officers & Holy Communion) at 9:30 a.m.
 - † Fulnec's Harvest Festival at 3:30 p.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.
- † 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, Genetha Bryan, Royle Deane, Carl Forde, Clement Harper, Grace Lashley, Erla Reid, Carol St. John.



The Sick/Recovering: Cynthia Waldron

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)

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

True wisdom is in leaning
On Jesus Christ, our Lord;
True wisdom is in trusting
His own life-giving Word. — Anon. —

GOD'S WISDOM IS GIVEN TO THOSE WHO HUMBLY ASK HIM FOR IT.

**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, January 28, 2018

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 a.m.

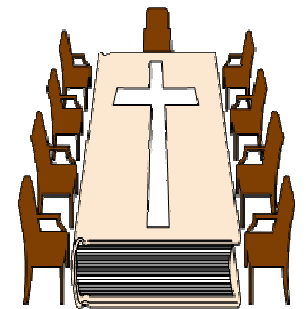
Welcome: Welcome to all! *This is another day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. A special welcome to all who are joining us by radio on Starcom Networks. May the love of Christ constrain us unto worship and good works today.*

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

Associate Pastor:
Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist:
Bro. Carl Ifill

**COUNCIL
MEETING**



WATCHWORD: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding.
(Psalm 111:10)

ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship (Psalm 95:6 – 7):

L: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

C: *For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand.*

Opening Hymn: 38 – “Immortal, invisible” (38)

Liturgy – Epiphany (pg. 106 Liturgy Book/leaflet/projected)

Welcome

Choruses

Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence: “Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

(Philippians 4:20)

Offertory Hymn: 351 – “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

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

Song of Praise by the Junior Choir

Ministry of the Word

Scripture Reading – Mark 1: 21 – 28

Church Choir Anthem

Sermon – – *Rev. Ezra Parris*

Intercessory Prayers

Hymn 233 – “Jesus, Master, whose I am” (218)

Church Council

Doxology**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. The Moravian Church – Barbados Conference announces its **Lay Academy Classes** for 2018. DATE: February/September 2018. DAY: Mondays. TIME: 6.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. VENUE: Calvary Moravian Church. Registration Forms are available.
- + The Academy will be in two segments during the year 2018. The first segment begins on Monday, February 5 with the course “Introduction to the New Testament” and this will run for approximately 13 weeks. The second course “Introduction to Christian Counseling” begins Monday, September 3 and should run for a shorter period of time. The cost is \$50.00 per course.
- + The invitation is extended to all to be a part of the call to deepen their spiritual lives as well as to learn about and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Present Lay Preachers, Members of our Boards, Groups and Organizations are also encouraged to come and share in this period of study.

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

2. The Moravian Church Unity, that is, the **Moravian Church worldwide has issued a statement on the comments allegedly made by the President of the United States, Donald Trump** about the people of Africa, Haiti and El Salvador. The full text of the statement from the Moravian Unity can be found on the website of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province, www.moravians.net.
3. Please ensure that the statement is read in all congregations on Sunday January 21, 2018. Please note that the **telephone number at the manse** has been changed to 246-546-0344. We had some disappointments with the previous service and decided to change. The Office number remains the same: 246-425-4011.
4. 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.
5. **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.
6. 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).
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 p.m.
10. **Provincial Theme 2018:** “*Advance the Kingdom: Live As Kingdom Citizens*”.

In the Month of January 2018:

- + **Superintendents Conference** — 28th to 31st in Antigua.

In the Month of February 2018:

- + **Lay Academy** — Mondays, 6:00 p.m. at Calvary. Introduction to the New Testament.
- + **Installation of Officers** — Sunday, 4th
- + **Harvest Festival at Fulnec** — Sunday, 4th
- + **Men’s Prayer Breakfast** — Saturday, 10th
- + **Friendship Week** — Sunday, 4th to Sunday 11th. Tell a friend about Sharon and invite them to Church on Sunday, 11th.
- + **Anniversary & Friendship Sunday & Picnic** — February 11th, 10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- + **Harvest Festival at Calvary** — Sunday, 11th
- + **Women’s Prayer Breakfast** — Saturday, 17th
- + **Harvest Festival at Dunscombe** — Sunday, 18th
- + **Harvest Festival at Clifton Hill** — Sunday, 25th

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Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not,
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness: Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided,
“Great is Thy faithfulness”, Lord unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness,
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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.