

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT**

- † **Today:** Blood Pressure Clinic after worship
- † **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.
- † **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 8:00 p.m.
- † **Sat.:** Prayer Meeting at 6:30 a.m.
- † **Next Sun.:** Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth — 9:30 a.m.
  - † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.

**In the Month of November 2016:**

- † Rev Parris on vacation — 14<sup>th</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup>
- † **Harvest Festival at Bethlehem** — Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.
- † **The First Sunday of Advent** — 27<sup>th</sup>
- † **Barbados 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service** — Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m. at the Kensington Oval.

**In the Month of December 2016:**

- † **Conference Christingle** — Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> at Mount Tabor at 5:00 p.m.
- † **Sharon Lighting & Carol Singing** — Wednesdays of Advent, commencing the 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.
- † **Joint Board Planning Meeting** — Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.
- † **Men's & Women's Fellowship Christmas Social & Gift Exchange** — Friday, 16<sup>th</sup>
- † **Sunday School Christmas Candle-Light Service** — Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup>
- † **Women's Fellowship Carolling / Christian Kindness** — 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>
- † **Worship on Christmas Day** — Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
- † **Watch-Night Service** — Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup>, 10:30 p.m.

**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:** Gretel Smith, Ernesta Marshall-Jemmott

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



**Advanced:** Jennifer Clarke, Rev. Ezra Parris & Shakaylah Wickham (21<sup>st</sup>), Evangeline Downes & Marion King-Taylor (22<sup>nd</sup>), Danielle Downes (23<sup>rd</sup>), Sonia Alleyne & Melissa Drakes (24<sup>th</sup>), Vera Francis, Celia Holder & Marion Stanford (25<sup>th</sup>), Kemar Turton (26<sup>th</sup>)



Congratulations to Bro. Gregory & Sis. Nesha Nicholls who will celebrate their 11<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on November 26, 2016.

**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**

When difficulties come our way  
And what is right seems wrong,  
Then, trusting in God's promises  
Can make our faith grow strong. — *Sper* —

TACKLE LIFE'S PROBLEMS BY TRUSTING GOD'S PROMISES.

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<http://sharonmoravian.info>

**PROVINCIAL THEME 2016:**

**Fulfilling the Mandate – "Advance the Kingdom"**



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)

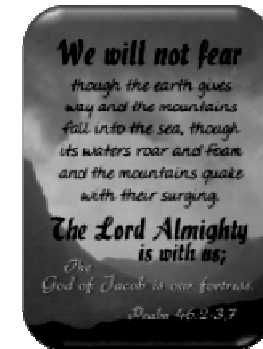
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Sunday, November 20, 2016

Reign of Christ  
(Christ the King Sunday)

9:30 a.m.

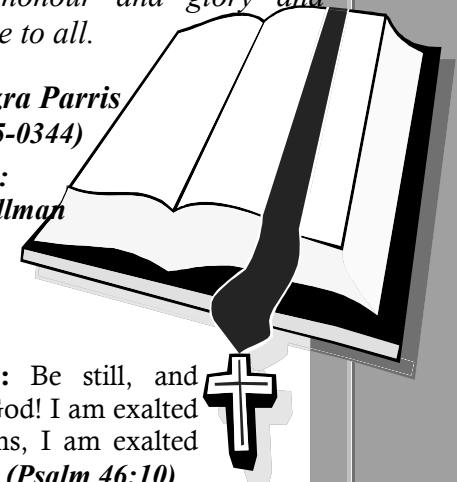
**Welcome:** *We confess today with the church universal that Jesus is Lord, and give him all honour and glory and praise. Welcome to all.*

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

**Associate Pastor:**  
Rev. Movelle Kellman

**Organist:**  
Bro. Carl Ifill

**WATCHWORD:** Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth. (Psalm 46:10)



**ORDER OF WORSHIP****Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship (Psalm 66:1 – 2, 4)

**L:** Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth! Sing out the honor of His name; Make His praise glorious.**C:** *All the earth shall worship You And sing praises to You; They shall sing praises to Your name.*

Litany – Canticle of Praise (on leaflet/projected)

Welcome, Celebrations &amp; Notices

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

Choruses

Song of Praise by the Youth Choir

**Worship in Tithes & Offerings. Offertory Sentence:** “And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ.” (Colossians 3:23-24)

Tithes/Offertory Hymn: 480 – “The Lord is King!” (449)

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – “Give Thanks”

**Ministry of the Word:**

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 46

Church Choir Anthem

Second Scripture Reading: Colossians 1: 11 – 20

Hymn of Preparation: 184 – “My faith looks up to thee” (171)

**Sermon – – Sis. Lelia Gibbs**

Hymn of Response – “Be Still and Know that I am God”

Prayer of Commitment &amp; Intercession

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

**The Benediction****Organ Postlude**

**AVAILABLE: Offering Envelopes for 2016**— 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.

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS****1. 50th Anniversary Celebrations:**

✦ As we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Independence of our nation here at Sharon, our nurturing/fellowship groups have mounted displays that reflect our national and cultural heritage. Well done. You, are invited to spend a few minutes after worship to view these displays.

✦ As we worship next Sunday, please feel free to wear the national colours.

**2. New Generation Ministries** represented the Parish at the **Spirit of the Nation Show** last evening, November 19<sup>th</sup> at Kensington Oval. We congratulate NGM; you did well.

**3.** Groups and Organizations are requested to prepare their Calendar of Events for 2017 and submit such to the Pastoral team by Sunday, November 27, 2016.

**4.** Thanks to all who supported our **Missionary Festival** held on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. We raised \$15,130.15. If you have not yet made your contribution you can still do so and help us to our target of \$20,000 by the end of the year. Funds raised will go towards local missions, and to missionary endeavours across the region and the world through the various mission organizations of the Moravian Church.

**5. 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.

**6. 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.

**7. 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).

**8. Bus Fund**— Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.

**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

**9.** 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.

**10. Moravian Radio Programme:** “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.

**11. Provincial Theme 2016:** *Fulfilling the Mandate — Advance the Kingdom!* The theme emphasizes the mandate of Developing God’s Church – Teaching, Reprimanding and Empowering God’s people. The foundation texts are Acts 1:8, Matthew 28: 16-20; Romans 15:20; 2 Timothy 4:2.

**Be Still And Know That I Am God**

I cannot tell how God who made the nations  
And set the mighty planets on their way,  
Who gave to all a place in His creation  
And cares and watches o’er us day by day;  
Could let the winds and rain destroy our places,  
And watch us bowed beneath such loads of care.  
But this I know, my God will bear our burdens,  
Just hear Him say, “Be still and know that I am God.”

I cannot tell what pestilence awaits us,  
What floods may swell and famines take their toll  
The word of God declares with signs and wonders  
His power will shelter every trusting soul.  
But this I know, we need the faith to trust in Him,  
To know his Mighty power cannot fail.  
Though tempests rage and wild winds roar unceasing  
We’ll hear Him say “Be still and know that I am God.”

I cannot tell if you believe God’s goodness  
If you believe that Jesus died for you;  
If you have taken Jesus as your Saviour  
And honour Him as Lord, your whole life through;  
But this I know, God’s Spirit dwells within me,  
He gives me peace amidst life’s raging storms;  
I hear Him say when tempests fierce surround me,  
“Be still my child, Be still and know that I am God.”

*Elva Kitson – 1995.*