

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT**

- † **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.:** Shut In Communion (Near Sharon, Cane Garden, Canewood) – 9:30 a.m.
  - † Women’s Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.
  - † Board of Stewards Meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- † **Wed.:** Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
- † **Thurs.:** Men’s Fellowship at 7:30 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.
- † **Next Sun.: Mother’s Day**
  - † Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth — 9:30 a.m.
  - † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
  - † Conference “**A SALUTE TO MOTHERS**” —5:00 p.m. at the Calvary Moravian Church.

**339 (CMP)**

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word  
 What a glory He sheds on our way!  
 While we do His good will, He abides with us still,  
 And with all who will trust and obey.

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
 To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*


Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,  
 But His smile quickly drives it away;  
 Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,  
 Can abide while we trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,  
 But our toil He doth richly repay;  
 Not a grief nor a loss, not a frown or a cross,  
 But is blessed if we trust and obey.


But we never can prove the delights of His love  
 Until all on the altar we lay;  
 For the favor He shows, and the joy He bestows,  
 Are for them who will trust and obey.

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet,  
 Or we will walk by His side in the way;  
 What He says we will do, where He sends we will go,  
 Never fear, only trust and obey.


**Prayer Needs:**


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

**The Sick / Recovering:** Patricia Maynard, Stephen Greaves

 **The Bereaved:** Sis. Esther Greenidge and the entire Greenidge family on the passing of her daughter Sis. Tonya Greenidge. A Service of Thanksgiving for her life will be held here at Sharon on Thursday, May 11, 2017 commencing at 3:00 p.m.

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

 **Advanced:** Tremaine Hinds (8<sup>th</sup>), Tiffany Chase (10<sup>th</sup>), Lucine Baker & Wendy Davis (13<sup>th</sup>)

 Congratulations to Bro. Luther & Sis. Candace Barker who will celebrate their 47<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on May 9, 2017; Bro. Dennis & Sis. Julia Depeiza who will celebrate their 39<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on May 13, 2017

**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**

**Thank you, Lord, for dying for me  
 On the cross of Calvary;  
 Help me always to remember  
 What you did to set me free. – Sper.**

**REMEMBERING CHRIST’S DEATH FOR US SHOULD CAUSE US  
 TO LIVE FOR HIM.**

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 or <http://sharonmoravian.info>

**PROVINCIAL THEME 2017:**

**Fulfilling the Mandate – “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.**

**Communion**



**SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH**

*(Built by Slaves - 1799)*

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**Sunday May 7, 2017**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Welcome:** “This is the day the Lord has made;” and with hearts and voices His great name we praise. Welcome is extended to all.

**Pastor:** Rev. Ezra Parris

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Movelle Kellman

**Organist:** Bro. Carl Ifill

**WATCHWORD:** Jesus says, “I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.”  
*(John 10: 9)*

ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Call to Worship: (Ps.68: 3 &amp; 4)

**L:** But let the righteous be glad; Let them rejoice before God;  
Yes, let them rejoice exceedingly.

**C:** *Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides  
on the clouds, By His name YAH, And rejoice before Him.*

Litany – A Canticle of Praise (on leaflet)

Song of Praise by the Youth Choir

Welcome, Celebrations &amp; Notices

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

Choruses

**Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence (Including  
Synod Offering):** “He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for  
food will supply and increase the harvest of your righteousness.”

(2 Cor. 9:10 RSV)

Offertory Hymn: 339 (CMP) – “When we walk with the Lord,”

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Choral Response – “Give Thanks”

**Ministry of the Word:**

First Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 2: 19 – 25

Canticle 11 – Psalm 23 (page 35 – front of hymnal)

Second Scripture Reading: John 10: 1 – 10

Church Choir Anthem

**Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris**

Prayer of Commitment &amp; Intercession

Closing Hymn: 273 – “All the way my Saviour leads me” (248)

Musical Interlude/Prayer of Preparation (page 49– front of hymnal)

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Eucharistic Prayer

Consecration of the Bread

Distribution Hymns: 255 (235), 581 (540), 184 (171), 231 (217)

Consecration of the Wine

Distribution Hymns: 158 (145), 162 (149), 98 (89)

Thanksgiving Hymn – 198 (187)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Covenant Hymn: 599 (555)

**The Blessing & Organ Postlude****In the Month of May 2017:**✦ Moravian Children’s Convention — Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup>✦ Moravian Music Sunday — 21<sup>st</sup>✦ NGM Health Walk & Breakfast — Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup>**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. Mother’s Day Celebration: The Moravian Church presents “**Salute To Mothers**” at the Calvary Moravian Church on May 14, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. This is a celebration of Motherhood and includes music, poetry, modelling, entertainment, and surprises - Come, salute mothers, grand-mothers, godmothers and those who mothered you. Each individual is requested to make a small contribution of just \$10.00, which will go towards Provincial Synod. Bring the women in your life and let’s celebrate.
2. The Moravian Church Barbados **Conference Cricket Tournament**, “The Rev Holder Memorial Shield,” continues on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. at the James Bryan Field, Market Hill, St. George. It will be a semi-finals match between Mount Tabor Moravian and Bethlehem-Cliftonhill-Centenary-Fulnec (BCCF United).
3. Women throughout the Eastern West Indies Province are invited to a **Women’s Conference** hosted by the Women’s Council of the **Tobago** Conference, from November 1-6, 2017. The Conference will be held under the theme: “*Women of Knowledge and the Word — Advance!*” and will seek to inspire women to seek after knowledge and Jesus Christ. It also aims at empowering women as leaders in the home, the work place and the wider society. It will be an opportunity for women to fellowship with each other and gain insights from various speakers on issues that affect their faith, families and their future. We are expecting one hundred (100) women across the province to participate. Registration forms are available.
4. 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.
5. **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.
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).

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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 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).

**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.
- ✦ **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.