

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** Sacrament of Holy Communion.
- † **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 Ministry at 7:30 p.m.
- † **Tues.:** Women's Fellowship at 6:30 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 8:00 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.


### In the Month of May 2018:


- † **Moravian Children's Convention** – Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> at Mount Tabor, 10.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m. This is a Convention for children up to the age of 12 years. Theme: *"I am a Child of God; A Citizen of the Kingdom"*.
- † **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>

### 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.

### 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.



**Advanced:** Tremaine Hinds (8<sup>th</sup>), Marva Craigwell (12<sup>th</sup>)



Congratulations to Bro. Luther & Sis. Candace Barker who will celebrate their 48<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on May 9, 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

This is the day the Lord hath made;  
He calls the hours His own,  
Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad,  
And praise surround the throne. – Watts.

IF YOU KNOW JESUS, YOU WILL ALWAYS HAVE A  
REASON TO REJOICE

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or <http://sharonmoravian.info>

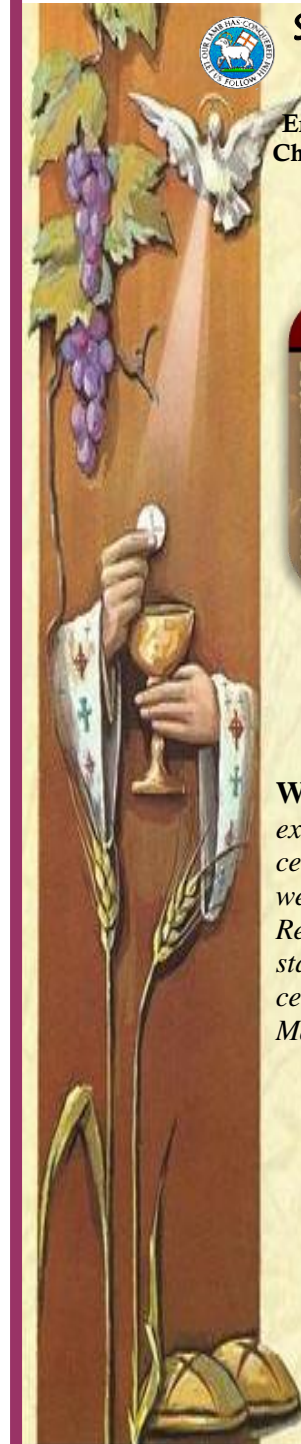


### PROVINCIAL THEME 2018:

*Fulfilling the Mandate – "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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### John 15:9-11



<sup>9</sup> As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you; continue ye in my love. <sup>10</sup> If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

**Sunday, May 6, 2018**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**9:30 a.m.**

**Welcome:** A sincere welcome is extended to all as we worship, and celebrate the love of God. A special welcome is extended to the Barbados Red Cross Society as they join us to start a week of activities in celebration of World Red Cross Day – May 8th. Welcome.

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

**Associate Pastor:**  
**Rev. Movelle Kellman**

**Organist:**  
**Bro. Carl Ifill**

**WATCHWORD:** Make joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. (Psalm 98:4)

ORDER OF WORSHIP**Organ Prelude**

Introit

Receiving of Colours (*Organ Voluntary*)

Call to Worship (Psalm 98: 1, 4)

*Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory. Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth; Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises.*

Canticle of Praise (*page 234 – Liturgy Book/leaflet*)

Welcome &amp; Celebrations

Greetings from the Red Cross Society

Notices &amp; Concerns

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

Choruses

Song of Praise by the Junior Choir

**Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence:** “*And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.*”

**(2 Corinthians 9:8)**Offertory Hymn: 527 – “*Be still for the presence of the Lord*”

(Hymn of the Month; CHOIR only)

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: 1 John 5:1 – 6

Second Scripture Reading: John 15:9 – 17

Choir Anthem

**Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris**

Prayer of Commitment and Intercession

Hymn 162 – “*Love Divine, All loves excelling*” (149)Return of Colours (*Organ Voluntary*)

Benediction

Musical Interlude/Prayer of Preparation (*page 9 – front of hymnal*)**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Invitation &amp; Eucharistic Prayer

Institution of Bread

Distribution Hymns: 568 (525), 576 (535), 560 (518)

Institution of Wine

Distribution Hymns: 196 (184), 202 (191), 211 (200), 191 (180)

Thanksgiving Hymn – 198 (187)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Covenant Hymn: 595 (551)

**The Blessing & Organ Postlude****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).

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
The Holy One, is here;  
Come bow before Him now  
With reverence and fear:  
In Him no sin is found –  
We stand on holy ground.  
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
The Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around;  
He burns with holy fire,  
With splendour He is crowned:  
How awesome is the sight –  
Our radiant King of light!  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord  
Is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place:  
He comes to cleanse and heal,  
To minister His grace –  
No work too hard for Him.  
In faith receive from Him.  
Be still, for the power of the Lord  
Is moving in this place.

**OFFERTORY CHORAL RESPONSE**

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 blestest us,  
To thee our first-fruits give.