

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

- † **Today:** Harvest at Fulnec at 3:30 p.m.
- † **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.:** Men's Prayer Breakfast at Sharon at 7:00 a.m. Speaker – Bro. Toney A. Olton under the theme "Men: Lead and They Will Follow."
- † **Next Sun.: Anniversary & Friendship Sunday**
 - † Christian Education Hour: Adults – 8:00 a.m., Youth – 9:30 a.m.
 - † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m. Meet & Greet after worship
 - † Harvest Festival at Calvary at 3:30 p.m.

In the Month of February 2018:

- † **Lay Academy** — Mondays, 6:00 p.m. at Calvary. Introduction to the New Testament.
- † **Men's Prayer Breakfast** — Saturday, 10th at Sharon at 7:00 a.m. Speaker — Bro. Toney A. Olton under the theme "Men: Lead and they will follow"
- † **Friendship Week** — Sunday, 4th to Sunday 11th. Tell a friend about Sharon and invite them to Church on Sunday, 11th.
- † **Anniversary & Friendship Sunday** — February 11th. The Picnic has been postponed due to inadequate planning.
- † **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

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 Waldron

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



Today: Eunice Applewhaite (shut-in) & Kirby Adams
Advanced: Gloria Ifill (5th), Shada Applewhaite (6th), Patsy Turton-Beckles (7th), Kenton Jones & Violet Taylor (10th)

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

Here we gather to remember,
 In the breaking of the bread,
 Jesus, who for us was broken,
 And is now our living Head. – Anon.

CHRIST'S LOVE CREATES UNITY OUT OF DIVERSITY.

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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.



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Sunday, February 4, 2018
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
9:30 a.m.

Welcome: "With joy we meditate the grace of our High Priest above". Welcome, and let your hearts be warmed by the thought that we can come freely to God's throne of mercy and grace that we may find help in the hour of need. Welcome to all.

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

Associate Pastor:
Rev. Movelle Kellman

Organist:
Bro. Carl Ifill

WATCHWORD: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.
 (Psalm 147:5)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude

Introit

Call to Worship (Psalm 147: 1)

L: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;

C: *For it is pleasant, and praise is beautiful.*

Hymn 466 – “*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*” (437)

Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving

Hymn 485 – “*Praise Him! Praise Him!*”

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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

Choruses

Installation of Officers

Song of Praise by the Junior Choir

Worship in Tithes & Offerings: Offertory Sentence: “*The Mighty*

One, God the LORD, Has spoken . . . ‘Every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon the thousands of hills’” (Ps. 50:1, 10)

Offertory Hymn: 671 – “*We come this day to give you thanks*”

(Hymn of the Month; CHOIR only until the last verse)

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

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

Ministry of the Word:

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40: 21 – 31

Second Scripture Reading: Mark 1: 29 – 39

Choir Anthem

Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris

Intercessory Prayers

Hymn 510 – “*Thine forever! God of love*” (471)

Musical Interlude/Prayer of Preparation (*page 9 – front of hymnal*)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Eucharistic Prayer

Institution of Bread

Distribution Hymns: 154 (140), 155 (142), 557 (516), 264 (242)

Institution of Wine

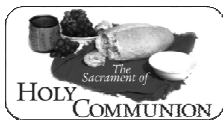
Distribution Hymns: 211 (200), 581 (540), 184 (171), 201 (189)

Thanksgiving Hymn – 266 (243)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Covenant Hymn: 595 (551)

The Blessing & Organ Postlude



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

- The Moravian Church – Barbados Conference announces its **Lay Academy Classes** for 2018 from February to September 2018 on Mondays from 6.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. at 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.
- The Moravian Church in **St. Philip invites you to A Valentine's Tea Party** on Saturday, 10th February 2018 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the Cuthbert Pilgrim Memorial Hall Bethlehem Moravian Church, Moravian Gardens, Maxwell, Christ Church. Donation: \$20.00. Come, enjoy an evening of “Fun and Entertainment.” Proceeds towards the Building Project.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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).
- Bus Fund** – Contributions for the up-keep of the Bus can be made making use of brown envelopes which are available from the vestry.
- 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.
- Moravian Radio Programme:** “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.
- Provincial Theme 2018:** “*Advance the Kingdom: Live As Kingdom Citizens*”

Praise Him, praise Him – Jesus our blessed Redeemer,
Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim.
Hail Him, hail Him, highest archangel in glory;
Strength and honour give to His Holy name.
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children,
In His arms He carries them all day long!

*Praise Him! Praise Him! Tell of His Excellent greatness:
Praise Him! Praise Him! Ever in joyful song!*

Praise Him, praise Him – Jesus our blessed Redeemer,
For our sins He suffered and bled and died;
He, our rock, our hope of eternal salvation,
Hail Him, hail Him, Jesus the Crucified.
Sound His praises, Jesus who bore our sorrows,
Love unbounded, wonderful deep and strong.

Praise Him, praise Him – Jesus our blessed Redeemer,
Heavenly portals loud with hosannas ring,
Jesus, Saviour, reigneth for ever and ever.
Crown Him, crown Him – Prophet, and Priest and King!
Christ is coming, over the world victorious;
Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong.

We come this day to give you thanks:
We bring our loudest praise,
Our talents, skills; our hearts and hands
In gratitude we raise.

We come and bow before your throne
To pledge ourselves anew.
The ones we teach at school or home
We consecrate to You.

We now rededicate ourselves
To do what we can do.
Spirit of Truth we need your grace
For we get weary too.

Help us to teach only what's right
And keep our conscience clear.
Give us the strength to daily fight
Against the devil's snare.

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.