

MORAVIAN CHURCH BARBADOS CONFERENCE

# SERVICE OF APPRECIATION

TO MARK THE

# RETIREMENT



**Rev. Movelle Kellman**

From the Active Pastoral Ministry Of  
**The Moravian Church**  
Eastern West Indies Province

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2022**

**Sharon Moravian Church**

Sharon, St. Thomas

**4:00 p.m.**

MUSICAL PRELUDE

— Organist: Mr. Andrew Allman, ATCL, Dip.ABRSM, LTCL, LRSM

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Preach the Word, be instant in season and out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine. 2 Timothy 4:2*

— Leader: Rev. David Ince

OPENING HYMN: # 467 – *Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee*

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

**2** All thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea.  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
Call us to rejoice in thee.

**3** Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,  
All who live in love are thine;

Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.

4 Mortals, join the mighty chorus  
Which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning o'er us,  
Binding all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music lead us sunward,  
In the triumph song of life.

*1911. Henry Van Dyke.*

LITANY:

L. Lord, we thank you for:

The seasons of life and the happy memories we enjoy;  
The stability of maturity and the wisdom which comes through  
experience;  
And the blessings that come from the work of many years in your  
vineyard.

**C. We give you thanks O Lord.**

L. Gracious God, we give You thanks for all who have answered Your  
call upon their lives. We come to you in thankfulness for the many  
years of service given by our Sister and colleague (name) who is  
retiring. We thank you for the many contributions she has made, her  
loyalty, and the sharing of her experience and wisdom with others.

**C. We give you thanks O Lord.**

L. We are appreciative of her hard work and dedication, and the many  
sacrifices made by our sister as she faithfully went about the many  
duties required of her. We ask for your continued blessings and  
anointing on her life that there may be good health, joy, peace in  
heart and mind in the days and years to come.

L. May Your word continue to be a lamp to her feet and a light to her path as she seizes other opportunities to serve You. Let there be new beginnings and further occasions which will bring honour and glory to Your name. Amen

**All: We ask your blessings O Lord. “Well done, good and faithful servant.” Amen.**

PRAYER & The LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN # 198 – *To God Be The Glory*

To God be the glory! Great things he hath done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son;  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
Let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son:  
And give him the glory!  
Great things he hath done!*

2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!  
To every believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

3 Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

*1870. Frances van Alstyne.*

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 12 — Moravian Disciples

### **Living Sacrifices to God**

- <sup>1</sup> I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.
- <sup>2</sup> And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

### **Serve God with Spiritual Gifts**

- <sup>3</sup> For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.
- <sup>4</sup> For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. <sup>6</sup> Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; <sup>7</sup> or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; <sup>8</sup> he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

### **Behave Like a Christian**

- <sup>9</sup> Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. <sup>10</sup> Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; <sup>11</sup> not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; <sup>12</sup> rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; <sup>13</sup> distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.
- <sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.

17 Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. 18 If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men. 19 Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, "*Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,*" says the Lord. 20 Therefore

*"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;  
If he is thirsty, give him a drink;  
For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head."*

21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

WELCOME — Rev. Ezra Parris, Superintendent

#### GREETINGS/SALUTATIONS

-  Moravian Church Eastern West Indies (Recorded)  
— Rev. Algernon Lewis, Chairman of the Provincial Elders Conference
-  Moravian Church Barbados Conference  
— Rev. Dr. Cicely Athill-Horsford, Member the Conference Executive Board

TRIBUTE IN SONG: The Moramus Singers of Barbados  
Director: Mr. Roger Worrell, LRSM, Dip.ABRSM

OFFERTORY HYMN: *When Jesus Comes To Reward His Servants*

When Jesus comes to reward His servants,  
Whether it be noon or night,  
Faithful to Him will He find us watching  
With our lamps all trimmed and bright?

Chorus:

Oh, can we say we are ready, brother?  
Ready for the soul's bright home?  
Say, will he find you and me still watching?  
Waiting, waiting when the Lord shall come?

If at the dawn of the early morning,

He shall call us one by one,  
When to the Lord we restore our talents  
Will He answer thee? - Well done!

Have we been true to the trust He left us?  
Do we seek to do our best?  
If in our hearts there is naught condemns us,  
We shall have a glorious rest.

Blessed are those whom the Lord finds watching  
In His glory they shall share;  
If He shall come at the dawn or midnight,  
Will He find us watching there?

PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS — Rev. Delroy Burley

#### GREETINGS/SALUTATIONS

-  Conference Evangelism Committee  
— Rev. Dr. Adrian Smith, Chairman
-  Conference Christian Education Committee  
— Rev. J. Joefield-Parris, Director of Christian Education
-  Women Fellowship Island Council  
— Sis. Anthea Barrow, President

TRIBUTE IN SONG: The Sharon Choir

#### GREETINGS/SALUTATIONS

-  Dunscombe Joint Board  
— Sis. Sheila Legall, Vice-Chairman, Board of Elders
-  Sharon Joint Board  
— Sis. Margaret Best, Chairman, Board of Stewards

TRIBUTE IN SONG: Dunscombe Praise Team

RESPONSE — Rev. Movelle Kellman

COURTESIES — Rev. Ezra Parris, Superintendent  
& Presentations By Other Groups

CLOSING HYMN # 273 – *All The Way My Saviour Leads Me*

Tune: All The Way

All the way my Saviour leads me,  
What have I to ask beside?  
Can I doubt his tender mercy,  
Who through life has been my guide?  
Heavenly peace, divinest comfort,  
Here by faith in him to dwell!  
For I know, whate'er befall me,  
Jesus doeth all things well.

2 All the way my Saviour leads me,  
Cheers each winding path I tread,  
Gives me grace for every trial,  
Feeds me with the living bread.  
Though my weary steps may falter,  
And my soul athirst may be,  
Gushing from the rock before me,  
Lo, a spring of joy I see!

3 All the way my Saviour leads me;  
O the fullness of his love!  
Perfect rest to me is promised  
In my Father's house above.  
When my spirit, clothed immortal,  
Wings its flight to realms of day,  
This my song through endless ages—  
'Jesus led me all the way!'

*1875. Frances Van Alstyne.*

CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

# ORGAN POSTLUDE

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**PROVINCIAL THEME 2022:** *“Advance the Kingdom— S.H.I.F.T”*  
*S—Seek & Submit | H—Hear & Heed | I—Imagination & Insight*  
*F—Focus & Function | T—Total Transformation*

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