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Sunday, September 6, 2020 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m.

Welcome: Welcome is extended to one and all today as we again meet for worship, including those who join in by way of our livestream on YouTube and FaceBook. We come together, knowing that God who is faithful, meets us here, to *comfort, strengthen, and settle us.* Welcome to all.

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

WATCHWORD: Give me understanding, O God, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. (Psalm 119:34)

Provincial Theme 2020: "Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T."

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude Call to Worship (Psalm 149:1 – 4): Leader: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful. Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King. **Congregation:** Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre. For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory. Hymn 485 – "Praise Him, Praise Him – Jesus, Our Blessed Redeemer" The Sixth Order (p. 30 – Liturgy Book) Welcome & Celebrations **Blessing of Tithes & Offerings Adoration In Songs & Choruses** Ministry of the Word First Scripture Reading: Romans 13:8 – 14 Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 18:15 - 20 Hymn of Preparation: 213 – "Saviour, Like A Shepherd Lead Us" Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris **Praver of Commitment & Intercession Notices & Concerns** Hymn 597– "We Are One In the Spirit" **MUSICAL INTERLUDE / Prayer of Preparation** (p. 50 – Liturgy Book / p. 9 – Hymnal) **Holy Communion** Invitation **Eucharistic Prayer Consecration of the Bread Distribution Hymns:** 585, 347, 575 **Consecration of the Wine Distribution Hymns:** 263, 264, 197 Hymn of Thanksgiving: 588 – "For The Bread And For The Wine" **Prayer of Thanksgiving** Covenant Hymn: 596 – "We Who Here Together Are Assembled" The Blessing & Organ Postlude



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Opening Hymn: 485 –

Praise Him, praise Him – Jesus our blessèd 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 blessèd 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 blessèd 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.



THE SIXTH ORDER(Also for use in Advent, Lent, and before the Lord's Supper)

All standing.

Jesus said, 'I am the good Shepherd, and I know my own, and my own know me. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me, and I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish, and no one shall snatch them out of my hand'.

'I am the good Shepherd: the good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.'

Hymn

Let us pray:

Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come; your will be done; on earth, as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God, who at sundry times and in diverse manners spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by his Son, and this is the word that we have from him:

'The Lord our God, the Lord is One; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and great commandment.'

Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

'And the second is like it, namely this: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.'

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write these your laws in our hearts, we beseech you.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of your great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all who with hearty repentance and true faith turn to you, have mercy upon us; pardon and deliver us from all our sins; confirm and strengthen us in all goodness; and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

Remain seated.

TUNE: FAHRE FORT, ZION

Thanks and praise, Thanks and praise, Thanks and praise be ever thine, That thy word to us is given, Teaching us, with power divine, That the Lord of earth and heaven, Everlasting life for us to gain, Once was slain, once was slain.

Christian Gottfried Clemens (1743-1815)

The readings with hymns or Te Deum.

The Christ Litany

Let us pray: Lord, have mercy upon us, *Christ, have mercy upon us.* Lord, have mercy upon us, *Christ, hear us.* By your human birth in likeness of sinful flesh, *Make our bodies your holy temple*; By your homely toil at the carpenter's craft, *Show us the worth and blessedness of labour*; By your baptism with water and the Spirit, *Grant us your spirit in the fellowship of your Church*; By your victory in all temptation, Strengthen us for the daily fight with sin;
By all the gracious words that proceeded out of your mouth, Make the fruit of our lips to glorify God;
By your healing all manner of sickness, Send us to minister to those who suffer;
By your feeding the multitude with bread, Make us mindful of the needs of the world;
By your going about doing good, Show us the righteousness of heaven;
By your being poor in the things of the earth, Make us rich towards God.

Remain seated.

TUNE: ST SIMON

O thou whose human life for us Did happiness obtain; Thou who, expiring on the cross, God's image didst regain; We bless thee for the gifts restored Through thy humanity; Beneath thy shadow, Son of Man, 'Tis good thy child to be.

Frederick William Foster (1716-1835), alt.

By your transfiguration on the mount, Show us the divine glory under the veil of flesh; By your royal entry into the holy city, Show us the peaceful glory of your reign; By your holy supper with your disciples, Keep us in fellowship with you and your people; By your agony in Gethsemane, Help us to say at all times, 'Your will be done;' By your sufferings and death on the cross, Show us the weight of the sin which you bore for us; By your rising again from death to glory, Lead us on to victory over sin and death; By your going before us into heaven, Prepare there a place even for us; By your sending the Holy Spirit, Abide with us always even unto the end of the world; By the blessed hope of your coming again, Keep us in watchfulness and prayer.

Remain seated.

TUNE: DER SABBATH

O form us all, while we remain On earth, unto thy praise; That each one fully may attain Thy blessed aim through grace: Till we in heaven thy face shall see, May spirit, soul and body be Preserved by thee against that day Blameless, O Lord, we pray.

Moravian Liturgy 1793, anon.

Remember, O Lord, according to the multitude of your mercies, your whole Church; all who join with us in prayer; all our brothers and sisters, wherever they may be in your vast kingdom, who stand in need of your grace and help. Pour out upon them the riches of your mercy, so that, redeemed in soul and body, and steadfast in faith, together we may ever praise your wonderful and holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

To Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the first-born from the dead and the Ruler of the kings of the earth, be the glory and the dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

The service continues with hymn, sermon, hymn and benediction.



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Today: Kadeem Turton

<u>Advanced:</u> Tremaine Babb (8^{th}) , Carl Hoyte (9^{th}) , Joshua Waithe (10^{th}) , Betty Bryan (11^{th}) , Victor Hurdle & Normandyne Millwood (12^{th})

The Bereaved: We express condolences to and pray for:

- Sis Coraleen Greenidge and Sis. Ione Drakes on the passing of their brother-inlaw in Canada.
- Sis Candace Barker and family on the passing of her niece Judia, in the USA.

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Blessing of Tithes & Offerings

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Adoration In Songs & Choruses

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Ministry of the Word

First Scripture Reading: Romans 13:8 – 14

- 8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.
- 9 For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
- 10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.
- 11 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.
- 12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.
- 13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.
- 14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

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Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 18:15 – 20

- 15. Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.
- 16. But if he will not hear *thee, then* take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.
- 17. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican.
- 18. Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
- **19.** Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

20. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.



Hymn of Preparation: 213 -

SAVIOUR, like a shepherd lead us Much we need thy tender care; In thy pleasant pastures feed us; For our use thy folds prepare: Blessèd Jesus, Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine, do thou befriend us; Be the guardian of our way; Keep from ill, from sin defend us; Seek us when we go astray: Blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; Thou hast mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse and power to free: Blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to thee.



Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris

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Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

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Notices & Concerns

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & INVOLVEMENT

This Week:

Office Hours:	Tuesday & Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. (D. C.
	Moore Centre)
Tuesday:	Meeting of the Board of Stewards at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	Online Bible Study – 6:00 p.m.
Next Sunday:	Divine Worship & Blessing of Infant at 9:30 a.m.

IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

- Bethlehem & Faith Deeper Life Services Online Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24 7:30 p.m.
 FaceBook & YouTube. Preacher: Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis.
- Special Meeting of the Moravian Co-operative Credit Union Saturday, 5th, 4:00 p.m.,
 D. C. Moore Centre.
- Bethlehem & Faith Deeper Life Services Online Sept. 10, 17, 24 7:30 p.m. FaceBook& YouTube. Preacher: Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis.
- Ministers Covenant Day Wednesday, 16th
- **P** Reopening of the Grace Hill Moravian PreSchool Monday, 21st



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

- 1. You are reminded of the officers of the Board of Elders: Vice-Chairman–Sis Lucine Baker; Secretary – Sis Angelus Hurdle; Assistant Secretary–Sis Eula Gibbs.
 - Our membership is divided into districts and our Elders are given responsibility for these districts as in the table below:

No.	DISTRICT	ELDERS
1	Edgehill Rd., Near Sharon, Upper Jackson.	Sis. Ismay Straker
2	Cane Garden, Cane Garden Park, Cane Garden New Development, Cane Garden Cresent.	Sis. Shirley Cadogan
3	Lower Jackson, 1 st Avenue Jackson, Browne's Gap, Arthur Seat (W – West of Quarry Rd. to Warrens).	Sis. Joan Taylor
4	Canewood Rd., Lears Corner, Brittons Hill, Kingsland Terrace	Sis. Grace Sandiford Sis. Angelus Hurdle
5	Bridgefield, Whitehall – St. T, Hopewell, Bloomsbury.	Sis. Eula Gibbs
6	Jackson Terrace, Jackson Tenantry, Arsenal Playing Field Rd.	Sis. Marion King-Taylor
7	Arthur Seat (East – Quarry Rd to Melrose Cnr.)	Sis. Carmel Downes
8	Melrose, Arthur Seat (Central), Welches, Padmore Village.	Sis. Denise Grant
9	Edgehill Terrace, Edgehill Heights, Shop Hill, Content, Spring Farm, Farm Path, White Hill Terrace, Hillaby.	Sis. Lelia Gibbs
10	Eden Lodge, Under Lodge Hill, White Hall – St. M, Cave Hill, Grazettes, Codrington Hill, Spooners Hill, Green Hill.	Sis. Ciana Downes
11	Friendship Terrace, Lodge Hill, Rock Dundo Park, Farm Rd., Clermont, Lodge Terrace, Mahaica Gap.	Sis. Veronica Leacock
12	Black Rock, Husbands New Dev., Hinds Hill, Husbands Gardens, Oxnards, West Terrace, Wanstead Heights, Wanstead Gardens.	Sis. Lucine Baker
13	Warrens, Welches – North, Redman's Village, Bagatelle, Thorpes, Hoytes Village, Holders Hill, Prior Park, Bakers Woods.	Sis Chantal Clarke

- 2. We extend congratulations to all who sat the Common Entrance Examination recently and are headed to secondary schools. Continue to stay focused and may God bless you with further success.
- 3. From the Provincial Board:
 - Our brothers and sisters in Trinidad, Tobago, and the Virgin Islands Conferences have once again been sent into lockdown and congregational worship has been curtailed. Let us keep them in prayer as we also take all the necessary precautions to prevent the spread of Covid19.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: "Moravian Voice" on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.
- 6. Remember our Basket of Hope Ministry. There are still those in our community that are in need of our assistance. You are invited each Sunday to make donations of non-perishable food items, which can be deposited in the basket placed at the rostrum (Altar).



PRAYER NEEDS:



<u>Our Shut-ins:</u> Daphne Bispham, Aileen Bowen, Royle Deane, Grace Lashley, Muriel Moore, Erla Reid, Carol St. John.



Hymn 597 -

We are One in The Spirit, We are One in The Lord. We are One in The Spirit, We are One in The Lord. And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, By our Love, Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

> We will work with each other, We will work side by side. We will work with each other, We will work side by side.

And we'll guard each man's dignity And save each man's pride.

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand. We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand. And together we'll spread the News That God is in our land.



MUSICAL INTERLUDE / Prayer of Preparation

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The Lord's Supper I

A Prayer for private preparation:

I confess to thee, O God, that I have sinned in thought, word and deed through my own fault; wherefore I pray thee to have mercy upon me. O Lord, forgive me all my sins, and deliver me from evil; confirm me in all goodness; and bring me to life everlasting, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

The congregation stands as the minister brings the elements to the table.

Our Saviour saith, 'Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

I am the bread of life: whoever cometh to me shall never hunger; and whoever believeth in me shall never thirst.'

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold mercies.

But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; grant us, gracious Lord, so to take this bread and drink this cup, that our fellowship with Thee may cleanse us from our sin and that we may evermore dwell in thee, and thou in us. Amen.

A hymn is sung, or the Sursum Corda is used:

Lift up your hearts:

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God:

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee O Lord, holy Father, almighty everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying,

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee O Lord most high.

Prayer is offered, or this form may be used:

Let us pray.

All glory and thanksgiving be to thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that thou didst take our nature upon thee, and suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; that thou didst make there a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the world; and didst institute, and in thy holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that thy precious death.

Wherefore, we commemorate thy last supper with thy disciples and having in remembrance thy work and passion, thy glorious resurrection and ascension, and pleading thy eternal sacrifice, we thy servants do set forth this memorial which thou willest us to make, giving thee thanks that thou hast counted us worthy to stand before thee.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that with thy holy life-giving Spirit thou wilt bless and sanctify both us and these gifts of bread and wine which we set before thee; that this bread which we break may be to us the communion of thy body; and the cup of blessing which we bless the communion of thy blood; that we, and thy whole Church, receiving the same by faith, may be partakers of thy body and blood, to our spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice, humbly beseeching thee that all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences: and in fellowship with all the faithful in heaven and earth, we pray thee to fulfil in us and in all thy people the purpose of thy redeeming love; and to thee, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. *AMEN*.

All stand.

The Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, '*Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you; this do in remembrance of me.*'

The Bread is distributed while hymns are sung.

I hunger and I thirst, Jesus, my manna be; Ye living waters, burst Out of the rock for me.

Thou bruised and broken bread, My life-long wants supply; As living souls are fed, O feed me, or I die.

Thou true life-giving Vine, Let me Thy sweetness prove; Renew my life with Thine, Refresh my soul with love.

Rough paths my feet have trod, Since first their course began; Feed me, Thou Bread of God; Help me, Thou Son of Man.

> For still the desert lies My fainting soul before; O living waters, rise Within me evermore.



Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high. Hide me, O my Saviour, hide, till the storm of life is past; Safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on Thee; Leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me. All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring; Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want, more than all in Thee I find; Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and holy is Thy Name, I am all unrighteousness; False and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace. Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of Thee; Spring Thou up within my heart; rise to all eternity.



Jesus makes my heart rejoice, I'm his sheep, and know his voice; He's a shepherd, kind and gracious, And his pastures are delicious; Constant love to me he shows, Yea, my worthless name he knows.

Trusting his mild staff always, I go in and out in peace; He will feed me with the treasure Of his grace in richest measure; When, athirst, to him I cry, Living water he'll supply.

To be his such joy doth bring That I here must ever sing; And when these blest days are over To the arms of my dear Saviour I shall be conveyed to rest: Yea, my lot indeed is blest.

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All having received the Bread, the Congregation stands.

Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ's body was given for you: and feed upon him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All partake together, then sit or kneel, and after silent prayer, sing this verse:

Tune: Media Vita (Part II)

Most holy Lord and God, Holy, almighty God, Holy and most merciful Saviour,

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Thou eternal God; Grant that we may never Lose the comforts from thy death, Have mercy, O Lord.



All stand

After the same manner also, the Lord Jesus took the cup when he had supped, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, 'Drink ye all of it, for this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. This do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.'

The Wine is distributed while hymns are sung.



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I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest; Lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon my breast.' I came to Jesus as I was, Weary and worn and sad; I found in him a resting-place, And he has made me glad. I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Behold, I freely give The living water; thirsty one, Stoop down, and drink, and live.' I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream;

My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's light; Look unto me, thy morn shall rise, And all thy day be bright.' I looked to Jesus, and I found In him my star, my sun; And in that light of life I'll walk, Till travelling days are done.

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In heavenly love abiding No change my heart shall fear; And safe is such confiding, For nothing changes here: The storm may roar without me, My heart may low be laid; But God is round about me, And can I be dismayed?

Wherever he may guide me, No want shall turn me back; My Shepherd is beside me, And nothing can I lack. His wisdom ever waketh, His sight is never dim: He knows the way he taketh, And I will walk with him.

Green pastures are before me, Which yet I have not seen; Bright skies will soon be o'er me, Where the dark clouds have been. My hope I cannot measure: My path to life is free; My Saviour has my treasure, And he will walk with me.

Blessèd assurance, Jesus is mine: O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God; Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior, all the day long.

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Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.



All having received the Wine, the Congregation stands.

Take and drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be ye thankful.

All partake together, then sit or kneel, and after silent prayer, sing this verse:

Most holy Lord and God, Holy, almighty God, Holy and most merciful Saviour, Thou eternal God; Bless thy congregation Through thy sufferings, death and blood, Have mercy, O Lord.



Verses of Thanksgiving may be sung or a prayer of thanksgiving such as the following is offered:



Hymn of Thanksgiving - 588

For the bread and for the wine, For the pledge that seals Him mine, For the words of love divine, We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

For the feast of love and peace, Bidding all our sorrows cease, Earnest of the kingdom's bliss, We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

For the words that turn our eye To the cross of Calvary, Bidding us in faith draw nigh, We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

Till He come we take the bread, Type of Him on whom we feed, Him who liveth and was dead; We give Thee thanks, O Lord.

Till He come we take the cup; As we at His table sup, Eye and heart are lifted up! We give Thee thanks, O Lord.



O Christ, our ever-living Lord, who in thy great love hast fed us at thy table, we most heartily thank thee for this time of fellowship, and for the spiritual strength and comfort thou dost impart to our souls. Grant us thy help to keep the vows which here we renew. May the uplifting sense of thy presence remain with us to guide and defend our lives.

We praise thee that thou has made us members of thy mystical body, the blessed company of all faithful people: and we commend to thee all those who are joined to us in the one true faith. We bring to thee in love and tenderness all who are dear to us Be pleased to unite thy people everywhere in love and charity; and let thy Church spread abroad in the earth, drawing all people unto thyself, that they may find redemption and peace in thee.

Rejoicing in the communion of saints, we thank thee for all thy servants who have departed in the faith, the great cloud of witnesses by whom we are encompassed, who in every age have loved thee in life, and continued faithful unto death, especially those most dear to our own hearts Give us grace with them to follow thee, and bring us at the last to those things which eye hath not seen nor ear heard, which thou hast prepared for them that love thee.

Now, unto him that loved us, and hath loosed us from our sins by his blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto his God and Father, unto him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.

AMEN.

During a covenant hymn, the right hand of fellowship is given, as a pledge of rededication to the service of Christ and a sign of our oneness in him.



Covenant Hymn - 596

We who here together are assembled, Joining hearts and hands in one, Bind ourselves with live that's undissembled, Christ to love and serve alone: O may we our imperfect songs and praises Be well-pleasing unto thee, Lord Jesus: Say, 'My peace I leave with you:' Amen, Amen, be it so.



The Blessing:

THE Lord bless thee and keep thee; The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In the name of Jesus. AMEN.

All remain standing whilst the minister removes the elements from the table.



Organ Postlude

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AVAILABLE:

- Offering Envelopes for 2020 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: <u>Understanding the Caribbean Worker</u> \$25.00; <u>Provocation</u> \$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.

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Protocol for Worship Services during the COVID-19 Pandemic – 2020

In keeping with the directive given by the Prime Minister of Barbados:

- **1.** Sanitisation stations shall be set up at the entrances and exits which shall be manned by ushers.
- 2. All attending shall sanitise their hands upon entering the church.
- 3. The names of all who attend service shall be recorded.
- 4. The temperature of each worshipper and minister shall be taken before entering the church, using a contactless thermometer;
 - persons whose temperature exceed 37.5° C shall not be allowed to enter the church;
 - persons who are coughing repeatedly, sneezing or exhibit any flu-like symptoms shall not be allowed to enter the church.
- 5. Face masks shall be worn throughout the service by all persons present in the church. Worship Leaders may remove their masks temporarily to fulfil their roles, provided that there is at least six feet between leaders, and between leaders and congregants.
- 6. There shall be no physical contact between attendees.
- 7. There shall be a physical distance of at least three feet between all attending except between members of the same household who may sit together; in which case, there shall be a distance of at least three feet between one group and adjacent groups or individuals.
- 8. Attendees shall be asked to deposit their offerings in fixed containers.
- 9. No hymnals, Bibles, leaflets or other materials shall be distributed to worshippers;
 - Bibles, hymnals etc. should only be shared by family members;
 - The Lectern Bible shall also be removed and lesson readers shall be asked to use their own Bible.
- 10. Communion, Baptism, Confirmation, Dedication, laying on of hands or anointing have been suspended for the time being.
- 11. Windows and doors shall be kept open to allow for ventilation.
- 12. Attendees shall be asked to maintain the recommended social distance when leaving the building.
- 13. There shall be no congregating of worshippers inside or outside of the church, before or after service.

