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The Lord made a promise to Abram to give him a son and He took him outside and said: "Look up at the heavens and count the stars...so shall your offspring be." Genesis 15:5



Sunday, August 7, 2022

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: A pleasant welcome is extended today, as we have "gathered in His name to worship Him." Wherever you are at today, here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad, this time can be and is a time of worship. "May Jesus Christ be praised," as we lift our hearts and our voices heavenward.

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

WATCHWORD: Jesus said, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." (Luke 12:32)

Provincial Theme 2022: "Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T." Seek & Submit; Hear & Heed; Imagination & Insight; Focus & Function; Total Transformation







ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude Invitation to Worship (Psalm 100:1-2, 5): Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands!² Serve the LORD with Leader: gladness; Come before His presence with singing. **Congregation:** For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, And His truth endures to all generations. Hymn 28 – "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" **Responsive Reading:** Psalm 107:1 – 9, 43 Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving Hymn 270 – "He Pardoned My Transgressions" Welcome, Celebrations & Notices Worship in Tithes & Offerings Offertory Sentence: "For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not" (2 Corinthians 8:12) Offertory Hymn: 235 – "Take My Life And Let It Be Consecrated" **Prayer of Dedication of Offerings Offertory Doxology:** "Give Thanks" **Adoration in Songs & Choruses** Ministry of the Word **First Scripture Reading: Genesis 15:1 – 6 Second Scripture Reading:** Luke 12:32 - 40 Hymn of Preparation: 186 – "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult" Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris **Prayer of Commitment & Intercession** Hymn 274 – My Faith, It Is An Oaken Staff Musical Interlude / Prayer of Preparation (p. 50 – Liturgy Book / p. 9 – Hymnal) **Holy Communion** Invitation **Eucharistic Prayer Consecration of the Bread Distribution Hymns:** 585 – "I Hunger And I Thirst" 571 – "My God, And Is Thy Table Spread" 202 – "O Love That Would Not Let Me Go" **Consecration of the Wine** 153 – "Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee" **Distribution Hymns:** 580 – "My Heart is Resting, O My God"

575 – "Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice" Hymn of Thanksgiving: 241 – "Lamb of God!" Prayer of Thanksgiving Covenant Hymn: 599 – "We Covenant With Hand and Heart" The Blessing Organ Postlude



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Hymn 28 –

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To his feet thy tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Who like thee his praise should sing? Praise him, praise him, Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour To our fathers in distress; Praise him, still the same for ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless: Praise him, praise him, Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes: Praise him, praise him, Widely as his mercy flows.

Frail as summer's flower we flourish; Blows the wind and it is gone; But, while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on: Praise him, praise him, Praise the high eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him; Ye behold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before him; Dwellers all in time and space, Praise him, praise him, Praise with us the God of grace.

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Responsive Reading: Psalm 107:1 – 9, 43

- 1. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 2. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;
- **3.** And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.
- 4. They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in.
- 5. Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.
- 6. Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.
- 7. And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.
- **8.** Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!
- 9. For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.
- **43.** Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the LORD.



Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving

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Hymn 270 -

He pardoned my transgressions, He sanctified my soul, He honours my confessions Since by His blood I'm whole.

It is truly wonderful what the Lord has done! It is truly wonderful! It is truly wonderful! It is truly wonderful what the Lord has done! Glory to His Name.

> He keeps me every moment By trusting in His grace; 'Tis through His blest atonement That I may see His face.

He brings me through affliction, He leaves me not alone; He's with me in temptation, He keeps me for His own.

He prospers and protects me, His blessings ever flow; He fills me with His glory, He makes me bright as snow.

He keeps me firm and faithful, His love I do enjoy, For this I shall be grateful, And live in His employ.

There's not a single blessing Which we receive on earth That does not come from heaven, The source of our new birth.



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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Worship In Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentence: "For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that
a man hath, and not according to that he hath not"(2 Corinthians 8:12)

Offertory Hymn: 235 –

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing Always, only, for my King; Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine;It shall be no longer mine;Take my heart, it is Thine own;It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be, Ever, only, all for Thee.

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Prayer of Dedication of Offerings



Offertory Doxology:

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy Give thanks for he has given Jesus Christ is Son (*repeat*) And now let the weak say I am strong Let the poor say I am rich for what the Lord has done Give thanks. (*repeat*)



Adoration In Songs & Choruses

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Ministry of the Word

First Scripture Reading:

Genesis 15:1 – 6

- 1. After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.
- 2. And Abram said, LORD God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?
- **3.** And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.
- 4. And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.
- 5. And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.
- 6. And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.

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Second Scripture Reading: Luke 12: 32 – 40

- 32. Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
- **33.** Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.
- **34.** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

- **35.** Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning;
- **36.** And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.
- **37.** Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.
- **38.** And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants.
- **39.** And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.
- 40. Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.

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Hymn of Preparation: 186 -

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult Of our life's wild, restless sea Day by day his sweet voice soundeth, Saying, 'Christian, follow Me;'

As of old apostles heard it By the Galilean lake, Turned from home, and toil, and kindred, Leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship Of the vain world's golden store, From each idol that would keep us, Saying, 'Christian, love me more.'

In our joys and in our sorrows, Days of toil and hours of ease, Still he calls, in cares and pleasures, 'Christian, love me more than these.'

Jesus calls us; by thy mercies, Saviour make us hear thy call, Give our hearts to thy obedience, Serve and love thee best of all.

Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris



Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

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Hymn 274 –

My faith, it is an oaken staff, The traveler's well loved aid; My faith, it is a weapon stout, The soldier's trusty blade, I'll travel on, and still be stirred, By silent thought or social word; By all my perils undeterred, A soldier pilgrim staid.

I have a captain, and the heart Of every private man Has drunk in valour from his eyes, Since first the war began. He is most merciful in fight, And of his scars a single sight The embers of our failing might Into a flame can fan.

I have a guide, and in his steps When travellers have trod, Whether beneath was flinty rock Or yielding grassy sod, They cared not, but with force unspent, Unmoved by pain, they onward went, Unstayed by pleasures, still they bent Their zealous course to God.

> My faith, it is an oaken staff, O let me on it lean;

My faith, it is a trusty sword, May falsehood find it keen. Thy Spirit, Lord, to me impart, O make me what thou ever art, Of patient and courageous heart, As all true saints have been.



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.

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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.

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My God, and is Thy table spread? And does Thy cup with love o'erflow? Thither be all Thy children led, And let them all its sweetness know.

Hail, sacred feast, which Jesus makes, Rich banquet of His flesh and blood! Thrice happy he who here partakes That sacred stream, that heavenly food.

O let Thy table honoured be, And furnished well with joyful guests; And may each soul salvation see, That here its sacred pledges tastes.

Refresh thy thirsting people, Lord, And bid our drooping graces live; And more, that energy afford A Saviour's love alone can give.



O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.

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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, 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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Jesus, the very thought of thee With sweetness fills the breast; But sweeter far thy face to see, And in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, Nor can the memory find A sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Saviour of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek! To those who fall, how kind thou art, How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? ah, this Nor tongue, nor pen can show; The love of Jesus – what it is, None but his loved ones know. Jesus, our only joy be thou, As thou our prize wilt be; Jesus, be thou our glory now, And through eternity.

My heart is resting, O my God, I will give thanks and sing; My heart is at the secret source Of every precious thing.

Now the frail vessel Thou hast made No hand but Thine shall fill; For the waters of the Earth have failed, And I am thirsty still.

I thirst for springs of heavenly life, And here all day they rise; I seek the treasure of Thy love, And close at hand it lies. I have a heritage of joy That yet I must not see; The hand that bled to make it mine Is keeping it for me.

And a new song is in my mouth To long loved music set: Glory to Thee for all the grace I have not tasted yet.

My heart is resting on thy truth. Who hast made all things mine; O draw my captive will to thee, And make it one with thine.

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Jesus makes my heart rejoice, I'm his sheep, and know his voice; He's a shepherd, kind and gracious,

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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 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 - 241

Lamb of God! Thanks and praise to thee are due; O accept our adoration For the blessings ever new Flowing from thy life and passion: May our hearts and lips with one accord Hail thee Lord!

For thy death Thou are worthy, Lamb of God, That our lives and whole demeanour Praise thee, yea, each drop of blood Be devoted to thy honour; Let our souls both now and ever be Bound to thee.

O how great Are the blessings we derive From the fullness of our Saviour; They who him by faith receive, And desire to taste his favour, From this source may freely take always Grace for grace.

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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 – 599

We covenant with hand and heart, To follow Christ, our Lord; With world and sin and self to part, And to obey his word: To love each other heartily, In truth and in sincerity, And under cross, reproach and shame, To glorify his name.



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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<u>Advanced</u> Keesha Walrond (8th), Anmari Cumberbatch (9th), Loretta Parris-Husbands (10th), Clifton Clarke & Steve White (11th), David Chandler & Kimberley Turton (12th), Christon Davis & Etwin Parris (13th)

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.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & INVOLVEMENT

- ✤ Today: Divine Worship & Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.
 ✿ Sunday School Summer Sundays (All Ages)
- **†** This Week:
- ♥ Office Hours Tuesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 4:30 p.m. (D. C. Moore Centre).
- **†** Tuesday: Women's Fellowship Online at 6:00 p.m.
- ♥ Wednesday: Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m. online via Zoom. Meeting ID: 861 4335 8604 / Passcode: 244093
- ✤ Next Sunday: Divine Worship 9:30 a.m.
 - **[‡]** Sunday School Summer Sundays (All Ages)

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In the Month of August 2022:

- Our Sunday School will be holding "Summer Sundays" at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday. Youth and children are invited; Dress in T-Shirts and Jeans, bring your Bible and a friend. Parents and Guardians will find this to be a good youth ministry opportunity.
- **†** The Choir will be on break for the month of August.
- ✤ Rev. Parris will be on vacation from August 8 31, 2021.

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NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

- 1. From the PEC: Dear Brothers and Sisters, Warm Christian greetings in the name of Jesus, our Chief Elder. Prayers are requested for Sis. Launée Richards and Bro. Stratton Browne as they represent the Province at the Unity Heritage Tour from August 10-25, 2022. The theme of the tour is, "Crossing Borders Unity Youth Heritage Tour Tanzania." The activities are structured to help participants gain knowledge of the Moravian world (the Unity) and in this case, the Moravian Church on the Continent of Africa, deepen Moravian connections, and appreciate the diversity in customs and practices across Provinces. Participants are expected to return to their Province, share their experience, and continue in the ministry of the church. Sis. Launée and Bro. Stratton are from the Antigua Conference.
- 2. The Women's Fellowship will hold a Farmer's Market immediately after Church on Sundays. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the financial proceeds will go to the Church to be used as needed. Items will cost either \$3.00 or \$5.00.
- 3. We are in need of people to serve on our Media Team. Here is opportunity to be trained and then to engage in an important ministry to our congregation. Interesting persons should contact Sis Kristina Carter.
- 4. We are thankful for the financial support we have been receiving thus far, particularly in the light of the economic impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic. We are mindful that some of you may be facing reduced or lost income due to this crisis.
- We are challenged however, in maintaining our ministry, our facilities and paying property insurance. So we ask for your continued faithfulness in giving as you are able.
- ✤ Those who attend worship in the sanctuary are reminded that offerings are deposited in the baskets on entry.
- Those who are not back out to church as yet are reminded that labelled envelopes can be dropped into the slot in the front door of the Manse.

- Generally, those who would give electronically can do so by direct deposit to our account at Scotiabank, Warrens 40274. You can also give via SurePay at a walkin kiosk or using your online account. At SurePay you can make payments anonymously to the Moravian Church (Account No: 1765-1768-0000, Name: Sharon Moravian Church), or if you need your donations recorded for tax purposes and you have a box of envelopes; make payments to the Moravian Church (Account No: 1765-1768-0.[your 3-digit envelope number], Name: Your Name). Visit www.sharonmoravian.info/giving-monetary for these details.
- 5. Invite someone to get on board! Our Bus will be back on Route as of Sunday, July 17, 2022. The Route to and from Sharon remains: 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), Sharon (9:05). Contributions to the Bus Fund are welcome. Envelopes are available from the vestry.
- 6. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: "Moravian Voice" which has been moved to Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on the same station, Life 97.5 FM.
- Our radio broadcast ministry Moravian Voice has been on the air for some 32 years, since Wednesday, July 18, 1990. We rejoice that we have been able to offer this ministry and we are thankful to all our listenership and all who hosted and provided content over the years. We are thankful to our congregations which faithfully sponsored the programme.
- Over the past year, we conducted a review and have made changes in an effort to reach a wider audience.
- ✤ We invite you to tune in for inspiration and information to enable you in your Christian walk and service.
- Moravian Voice will also be available on Instagram (<u>www.instagram.com/moravianvoice/</u>) and the YouTube Channel of the Moravian Church Barbados Conference (<u>https://youtube.com/c/TheMoravianChurch-BarbadosConference</u>).
- **†** You can email your comments and requests to: <u>moravianvoice@gmail.com</u>



PRAYER NEEDS:

- 1. <u>Our Shut-ins:</u> Daphne Bispham, Aileen Bowen, Royle Deane.
- 2. The Sick/Recovering:
 - Of our congregation: Sis. Ruth Bishop, Sis. Andilla Haynes, Sis. Marva Craigwell, Bro. Athelston Lawrence, Sis. Cynthia Eversley
- 3. <u>The Bereaved:</u> We express condolences to and pray for:
 - The family & friends of Sis Carol St. John on her passing. A Service of Thanksgiving for her life will be held here at Sharon on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 commencing at 1:30 p.m. Interment will be at Coral Ridge.
 - 4. <u>Our nation:</u> for strength and deliverance as we continue to battle the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- 5. God's covering during the Hurricane Season
- 6. World Peace



AVAILABLE:

- Moravian Daily Text 2022: American Paperback Edition \$25; American Large Print Paperback Edition – \$30
- Offering Envelopes for 2022 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 2022 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
- ♥ Copies of Sunday sermons on CD \$2.00.
- **Books:**
 - Rev. Neilson Waithe: <u>Understanding the Caribbean Worker</u>- \$25; <u>Provocation</u>-\$20.
 - Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts: <u>Created in Their Image: Evangelical Protestantism</u> in Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914 – \$50.
 - Rev. Dr. Joseph Nicholas: <u>Baptism Is a Gift of God: As Such It Is More Than Water</u>-\$35.
- **Greeting Cards (\$2.00) and Prints (\$20.00) of a painting of Sharon Church.**

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Protocol for Worship Services during the COVID-19 Pandemic – 2022

In an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19 during our gatherings, the following is to be observed:

- 1. All attending shall sanitise their hands upon entering the church. Sanitisation stations have been set up at the entrances and exits.
- 2. 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 (6) feet between leaders, and between leaders and congregants.
- 3. There shall be no physical contact between attendees.
- 4. There shall be a physical distance of at least three (3) 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 (3) feet between one group and adjacent groups or individuals.
- 5. Attendees shall be asked to deposit their offerings in fixed containers.
- 6. Bibles, hymnals, leaflets or other materials should only be shared by family members
- 7. The Lectern Bible has been removed and lesson readers shall be asked to use their own Bible.
- 8. Infant Baptism, Confirmation, and rites involving the laying on of hands or anointing have been adjusted to exclude contact between individuals.
- 9. Windows and doors shall be kept open to allow for ventilation.
- **10.**Attendees shall be asked to maintain the recommended social distance when leaving the building.

