



SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

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Sharon, St. Thomas. BB22136

The Lord Jesus said:

“Be you therefore ready also: for the Son of man comes at an hour when you think not.”

Luke 12:40



Sunday, August 10, 2025

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Let the Nations Sing

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. We welcome one and all to worship today – Wherever you are at today, here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad. May the assurance of God’s love be your inspiration, and may you be blessed as you worship with us. Welcome to all.

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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 2025:

“SHIFT: Reclaiming Our Identity, Renewing Our Purpose, and Re-Igniting Our Passion”



ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome & Invitation to Worship

Hymn 461 – *“Let All the World In Every Corner Sing”*

Opening Prayer of Invocation, Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving

Worship in Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentence: *“Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all especially to those who are of the household of faith.” Gal. 6:10*

Offertory Hymn – *“Ka mana’o ’I ’O” (Hawaii)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offertory Doxology – *“Halle, Hallelujah” (Syria)*

Greetings, Celebrations & Notices

Launch of Sharon’s Benevolence Ministries

- Commissioning of Benevolence Team

Singing More New Songs

✚ *“Lord, What A Time To Celebrate”*

✚ *“When The Spirit of The Lord”*

The Reading of Scripture: Luke 12:32 – 40

Reflection on life in the light of the Scripture – *Rev. Ezra Parris*

Prayer of Commitment

Closing Hymn – *“May The Road Rise To Meet You”*

The Benediction

Organ Postlude



Visit our Website at <http://sharonmoravian.info>; Visit our Facebook Page and subscribe to our YouTube Channel. These are means by which we can connect to our brothers and sisters, and get the word out on what’s happening in the church. Like us; Follow us; Re-post us.



Prelude

Welcome & Invitation to Worship



Opening Hymn: 461 –

Let all the world in every corner sing,
‘My God and King!’
The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly:
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
‘My God and King!’

Let all the world in every corner sing,
‘My God and King!’
The Church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out;
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
‘My God and King!’



Opening Prayer of Invocation, Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving



Worship in Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentence: *“Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all especially to those who are of the household of faith.” Gal. 6:10*

Offertory Hymn –

Ka mana’o ‘I ‘O

Ka ma-na-'o 'I 'O o ko ka-kou A-ku-a. Faith-ful, faith-ful is our God.
Ka ma-na-'o 'I 'O o ko ka-kou A-ku-a. Faith-ful, faith-ful is our God.

In love there is no one more faithful than our God,
Who brings the light into our darkness

The God who shares the breath of life with you and me,
All living things upon the earth.

In quiet moments God whispers tenderly
The mystery of unending love.
For God is good, and holds us as we sleep,
To wake us to the morning light.

The mercy of our God we seek to share each day,
To help each other on our way,
To be God's hands and heart with tenderness and care.
God's faithfulness is always there.

When we share love, we share respect and care,
The gifts and bonds of human kindness.
And in our journey, may love lead the way.
To be God's living, sing this day.

Joe Camacho, Hawii, USA



Prayer of Thanksgiving



Offertory Doxology:

Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah

Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah.
Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le-lu-jah.

As taught by Metropolitan Mar Gregorios Yohanna Ibrahim, Syria



Welcome, Celebrations, Greetings & Notices



Launch of Sharon's Benevolence Ministries & Commissioning of Benevolence Team



Members of the Benevolence Committee

Leader: Sis. Sylvia Arthur-Hurdle
Deputy Leader: Bro. Darwin Dottin
Secretary: Sis. Brenda Mascoll
Catering: Sis. Tracey Barker-Linton
Sort & Package Items: Sis. Carmel Downes
Sis. Marion King-Taylor
Sis. Monica Maynard

Items Needed

CANNED	PACKAGED	OTHER
Tuna	Peas	Milk
Sardines	Rice	Cooking Oil
Pineapple Slices	Teabags	Biscuits
Vegetables	Chow Mein	Bath Soap
Juice	Meal	Toilet Tissue
	Flour	Detergent
	Macaroni	
	Sugar	



Singing More New Songs

Lord, What A Time To Celebrate

Lord, what a time to celebrate, hear our joyous roar
Lord, what a time to celebrate, hear our joyous roar
Roar, Roar! Yeah!

George Roberts, Antigua



When The Spirit of The Lord

When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll sing as David sang.
When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll sing as David sang.
I'll sing, I'll sing, I'll sing as David sang.
I'll sing, I'll sing, I'll sing as David sang.

When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll praise as David praised.
When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll praise as David praised.
I'll praise, I'll praise, I'll praise as David praised.
I'll praise, I'll praise, I'll praise as David praised.

When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll pray as David prayed.
When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll pray as David prayed.
I'll pray, I'll pray, I'll pray as David prayed.
I'll pray I'll pray, I'll pray as David prayed.

When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll jump as David jumped.
When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll jump as David jumped.
I'll jump, I'll jump, I'll jump as David jumped.
I'll jump, I'll jump, I'll jump as David jumped.

When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll dance as David danced.
When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll dance as David danced.
I'll dance, I'll dance, I'll dance as David danced.
I'll dance, I'll dance, I'll sing as David danced.

When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll lough as David loughed.
When the spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
I'll lough as David loughed.
I'll lough, I'll lough, I'll lough as David loughed.
I'll lough, I'll lough, I'll lough as David loughed.

Arr. Christoph Georgii



Ministry of the Word

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.



Reflection on life in the light of the Scripture – Rev. Ezra Parris



Closing Hymn –

May The Road Rise To Meet You

May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind always be at your back.
May the sun shine upon your face;
The rain fall soft on your fields

And until we meet again,
And until we met again,
May God hold you,
Hold you in the palm of God's hand

Iain McLarty, Scotland



The Benediction



Organ Postlude



Greetings, Celebrations & Notices

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Sharon:

Today: Loretta Parris-Husbands

Advanced: Clifton Clarke & Steve White (11th), David Chandler (12th), Christon Davis & Etwin Parris (13th), Alyssa Ifill (14th), Sian Cumberbatch, Nairee Maynard & Kevin King (15th), Rashad Armstrong, Rogan Moore & Kerry Skeete (16th)



Dunscombe:

Advanced: Joy-Ann Ellis (12th), Monte Rose Woodroffe (15th), Tijay Roachford (16th)



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.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & INVOLVEMENT

- ✝ Today: Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
- ✝ Youth Summer Sundays (All Ages) – 9:45 a.m. D. C. Moore Centre.
- ✝ Installation of Sis. Chioma Henry as Christian Educator at 6:00 p.m. at Calvary.

THIS WEEK

Office Hours for the Pastorate: Tuesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. (D. C. Moore Centre).

- ✝ 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 – First & Third Tuesdays: In Sanctuary at 3:30 p.m. All other Tuesdays: Online via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.
- ✝ Board of Stewards Meeting in Sanctuary at 6:00 p.m.
- ✝ Wednesday: Bible Study (*"Faith – the Foundational Principle in the Believer's Life"*) – 6:00 p.m. online via Zoom. Meeting ID: 861 4335 8604 / Passcode: 244093.
- ✝ Next Sunday: Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
- ✝ Youth Summer Sundays (All Ages) – 9:45 a.m. D. C. Moore Centre.



Activities in the Month of August 2025:

- ✝ Our Sunday School will be holding "Summer Sundays" at 9:45 a.m. every Sunday, with the theme: *"Mission: Possible"*. Bible Verse: *"I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength."* (Phil. 4:13). Youth and children are invited; Dress in T-Shirts and Jeans, bring your Bible and a friend. It is a good youth ministry opportunity. Register here: <https://forms.gle/HGL6JYdM6GVMhh4z5>
- ✝ Launch of Sharon's Benevolence Ministry – Sunday, 10th
- ✝ Church-wide Summer Sundays – Sunday 10th & 17th. Relax dress & worship. Invite a friend or a neighbour to join us for worship.
- ✝ Installation of Sis. Chioma Henry as the Director of Christian Education in the Barbados Conference – Sunday, 10th, 6:00 p.m. at Calvary.
- ✝ Missionary Festival at Centenary – Sunday, 17th
- ✝ Sharon Concert featuring the Band of The Barbados Police Service – Sunday, 24th at 5:00 p.m. **Tickets are available.**



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

1. Owing to an oversight in setting the date, the installation of Pastor Chioma Henry as Minister of Christian Education will now be held at the Calvary Moravian Church on Roebuck Street, commencing at 6:00 p.m., Sunday, August 10, 2025. We apologize for any inconvenience caused.
2. You can register for the September semester at The Moravian Institute. The following courses are available:
 - 2.1. Introduction to the New Testament II
 - 2.2. Introduction to Counselling II
 - 2.3. Mission & Evangelism I
 - 2.4. Introduction to Preaching - Level II
 - 2.5. Ministry and the Marketplace
 - 2.6. Register by contacting: WhatsApp: 1-868-702-2067; your Conference Representative (Sis. Sonjina Kirton); or Email: themoravianinstitute@gmail.com. The Fee is \$150 USD per course. Register and make your initial payment by July 31st to enjoy a 10% discount!
3. From the Provincial Board:
 - 3.1. Rev. Devon Mannix who currently serves as Pastor of the Grenada Mission, has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of the Gracebay and Urlings congregations in the Antigua Conference. This call takes effect on September 21, 2025. The Grenada Mission will be supervised by the St. Kitts and Tobago Conferences, effective September 21, 2025. Please pray for Bro. Mannix and family, the Grenada Mission family, and the Gracebay and Urlings family as they make this transition.
4. Our Board of Elders has been assigned to Districts as follows:

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 Crescent, Cane Garden Heights.	Bro. Anthony Ifill
3	Lower Jackson, 1 st Avenue Jackson, Browne's Gap, Arthur Seat (W – West of Quarry Rd. to Warrens).	Bro. Edwin Sandiford
4	Canewood Rd., Lears Corner, St. George, St. Joseph, St. John, Christ Church, Brittons Hill.	Bro. Victor Hurdle
5	Bridgefield, Whitehall – St. T, Hopewell, Bloomsbury.	Sis. Merville Franklyn
6	Jackson Terrace, Jackson Tenantry, Arsenal Playing Field Rd.	Sis. Carmel Downes
7	Arthur Seat (East – Quarry Rd to Melrose Cnr.)	Sis. Ingrid Ibrahim
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.	Bro. Steven King
11	Friendship Terrace, Lodge Hill, Rock Dundo Park, Farm Rd., Clermont, Lodge Terrace, Mahaica Gap.	Sis. Veronica Leacock
12	Black Rock, Fitts Village, West Terrace, Oxnards, Wanstead Heights & Gardens, Husbands, Hinds Hill, Thorpes, Holders Hill, Hoytes Village, Prior Park.	Sis. Cora Cumberbatch
13	Warrens, Welches – North, Redman’s Village, Bagatelle, Baywoods, Bakers Woods, Mt. Brevitor.	Sis. Hazel Carter

5. We have closed our year of celebrating 225 years since the laying of the cornerstone here at Sharon. One planned event remains outstanding, that is the Planting of a Time Capsule, which will be completed when all the items have been gathered.

5.1. We are still open to contributions under our “225 for 225” drive, in which we ask persons to donate \$225 or multiples of \$225 towards the continuing work of the church. You don’t have to give it all at once, you can fill the envelope over time and bring it in at your convenience. We look forward to your participation in our “225 for 225” drive. Envelopes are available for collection. For 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 walk-in kiosk or using your online account. Pay to: *Biller – The Moravian Church, Account No – 1765-1768-0000, Name – Sharon Moravian Church.* A specimen of the envelope is displayed below.



6. We have resumed the “Basket of Hope” ministry. Each Sunday you are invited to make contributions of non-perishable food items, which will be distributed to those in need. Contributions can be made during the offertory hymn. We are appealing for volunteers to provide the needed management and helping-hands for this ministry. Please let the Pastors know of your interest.

7. We are thankful for your financial support.

- 7.1. We do need your ongoing support so that we can maintain our ministry, our facilities and paying property insurance. So we ask for your continued faithfulness in giving as you are able.
- 7.2. You are reminded that labelled envelopes can be dropped into the slot in the front door of the Manse.
- 7.3. 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 walk-in 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.
8. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: “Moravian Voice” on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on Life 97.5 FM.
 - 8.1. 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.
 - 8.2. We invite you to tune in for inspiration and information to enable you in your Christian walk and service.
 - 8.3. Moravian Voice will also be available on Instagram (www.instagram.com/moravianvoice/) and the YouTube Channel of the Moravian Church Barbados Conference (<https://youtube.com/c/TheMoravianChurch-BarbadosConference>).
 - 8.4. You can email your comments and requests to: moravianvoice@gmail.com



PRAYER NEEDS:



1. Our Shut-ins:
 - a. Sharon: *Sis. Aileen Bowen, Sis. Vernice Alberta Osbourne, Sis. Cynthia Walrond, Sis. Fraulene Headley.*
2. The Sick/Recovering: *Sis. Shanna King (USA), Sis. Yvonne Martindale, Sis. Brenda Herbert, Bro. Stephen Greaves, Bro. David King*
3. World Peace



AVAILABLE (Through the Church Office):

- ✚ Offering Envelopes for 2025 – 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 2025 – 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: Understanding the Caribbean Worker – \$25; Provocation – \$20.
 - 📖 Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts: Created in Their Image: Evangelical Protestantism in Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914 – \$50.
 - 📖 Rev. Dr. Joseph Nicholas: Baptism Is a Gift of God: As Such It Is More Than Water – \$35.
- ✚ Greeting Cards (\$2.00) and Prints (\$20.00) of a painting of Sharon Church.



Provincial Theme 2025:

“SHIFT: Reclaiming Our Identity, Renewing Our Purpose, and Re-Igniting Our Passion”

The focus for 2025 will be: Re-igniting our passion; for souls, service, and sustainability.

“Broadly speaking, renewing identity speaks of who we are as Christ-followers; renewing our purpose speaks to why the church exists; re-igniting our passion speaks to our willingness to share our faith with others. — Chairman of PEC





Sharon Moravian Church

presents the

Barbados Police Service Band

in concert

on Sunday August 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

**at Sharon Moravian Church
St. Thomas.**

Admission – \$30.00

**Appearances by Shawn Holder,
Jane Small & other Artistes**

**PROCEEDS IN AID OF THE
CHURCH'S BUILDING FUND**

SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESENTS

MISSION POSSIBLE



**8 SUNDAYS OF LEARNING AND FUN!
STARTING 9:45 AM
EVERY SUNDAY
JULY 13TH – AUGUST 31ST, 2025
SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH**

**SUMMER
SUNDAYS**

**WEAR A T-SHIRT AND JEANS
BRING A FRIEND!**





Moravian Women's Fellowship
Barbados Conference

Heritage Tour



&
*Treasure
Hunt*



SATURDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2025

Join us and learn about the history of the Moravian Church.
See the reenactment of when the missionaries
first arrived on the island.

Boarding: Sharon Moravian Church St. Thomas

Boarding Time: 9:30 am

Bring along a packed lunch



\$40

