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*But my God shall supply all your need according
to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*

Philippians 4:19 KJV



Sunday, December 8, 2024

Second Sunday of Advent

Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." (1 Cor. 2:9) Welcome to all – whether you are joining us here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad. Today we rejoice over the blessing and the hope we have in Jesus Christ. Welcome.

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WATCHWORD: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favourably on his people and redeemed them. *(Luke 1:6)*

Provincial Theme 2024:

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



ORDER OF SERVICE

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn: 61 – “Once In Royal David’s City” (*First verse – Solo; Second verse – Choir only; Congregation joins from verse 3*)

Welcome and Celebrations

Offertory Hymn: 168 – “Come down, O Love divine”

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

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

✳ *The Service Proceeds Unannounced* ✳

ANTHEM – “Advent Cry” – **Choir**
LESSON 1 – **Genesis 3: 8 – 15, 17 – 19** – **Sis. Cherryann Ince**
HYMN 50 – “Hark the glad sound” – **CONGREGATION**
LESSON 2 – **Genesis 22: 15 – 18** – **Sis. Hazel Carter**
HYMN 143 – “O Come, O Come Immanuel” – **CONGREGATION**
LESSON 3 – **Isaiah 9: 2, 6, 7** – **Bro. Zachary Gale**
SELECTION – “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus” – **Bro. David Greenidge**
LESSON 4 – **Isaiah 11: 1 – 3a, 4a, 6 – 9** – **Sis. Joy Best**
SELECTION – “When will the little King come?” – **Sis. Evelina King-Harper**
LESSON 5 – **Luke 1: 26 – 35, 38** – **Sis. Althea Hazzard**
DRAMATISATION – “Mary & Joseph” – **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
LESSON 6 – **Luke 2: 1, 3 – 7** – **Bro. Kyle Blackman-Gibbons**
SONG – “Away In A Manger” – **The Holder Children**
DRAMATISATION – “Shepherd: When we were in the field” – **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
LESSON 7 – **Luke 2: 8 – 16** – **Bro. Steven King**
HYMN 48 – “While Shepherds Watched” – **CONGREGATION**
ANTHEM – “Echo Carol” – **Choir**
LESSON 8 – **Matthew 2: 1 – 12** – **Sis. Veronica Leacock**
DRAMATISATION – “Wise Men” – **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
ANTHEM – “Born Is The Light Of The World” – **Choir**
LESSON 9 – **John 1: 1 – 14** – **Rev. David Ince**
DRAMATISATION – “Herod” – **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
ANTHEM – “Guard Him, Joseph” – **Choir**
CONCLUSION – **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
HYMN 46 – “O Come All Ye Faithful” – **CONGREGATION**
NOTICES
ANTHEM – “Look To The Rose” – **Choir**
Closing Hymn: 53 – “Hark The Herald Angels Sing”
Benediction & Organ Postlude



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Organ Prelude

Call to worship



Hymn 61 –

Solo

Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby,
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

Choir Only

He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall.
With the poor, the scorned, the lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

Congregation joins

And through all his wondrous childhood,
He would honour and obey,
Love and watch the lowly mother,
In whose gentle arms he lay.
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.

For he is our childhood's pattern:
Day by day like us he grew;
He was little, weak and helpless;
Tears and smiles like us he knew;
And he feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see him,
Through his own redeeming love;
For that child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven above;
And he leads his children on
To the place where he is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him, but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high,
When like stars his children, crowned,
All in white shall wait around.



Welcome & Celebrations



Worship In Tithes & Offerings:

Offertory Hymn: 168 –

Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
Til earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.



Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Thanks, thanks, I Give You thanks

*Thanks, thanks, I give You thanks
For all You've done
I am so blessed
My soul is at rest
O Lord, I give You thanks.*



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Anthem – “Advent Cry” (Choir)

Lesson 1 – Genesis 3: 8 – 15, 17 – 19 *(God tells sinful Adam that he has lost the life of Paradise and that his seed will bruise the serpent's head.)*

– *Sis. Cherryann Ince*

8. And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.
9. And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?
10. And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.
11. And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?
12. And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.
13. And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.
14. And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:
15. And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

17. And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;
18. Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;
19. In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

Hymn 50 – “Hark the glad sound” – (Congregation)

Hark, the glad sound, the Saviour comes,
The Saviour promised long;
Let every heart prepare a throne,
And every voice a song.

He comes, the prisoners to release
In Satan’s bondage held;
The gates of brass before him burst,
The iron fetters yield.

He comes, from thickest films of vice
To clear the mental ray,
And on the eye, long closed in night
To pour celestial day.

He comes, the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure;
And, with the riches of his grace,
To bless the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
Thy welcome shall proclaim;
And heaven’s eternal arches ring
With thy beloved name.



Lesson 2 – Genesis 22: 15 – 18 (God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall all the nations on earth be blessed.)

– *Sis. Hazel Carter*

15. And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,
16. And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:
17. That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;
18. And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Hymn 143 – “O come, O come, Immanuel” (Congregation)

O come, O come, Immanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan’s tyranny;
From depths of hell thy people save,
And give them victory o’er the grave.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death’s dark shadows put to flight.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
Who to thy tribes, on Sinai’s height
In ancient times didst give the law
In cloud and majesty and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel

Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou key of David, come,
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.



Lesson 3 – Isaiah 9: 2, 6, 7 (The Prophet foretells the coming of the Saviour.)

– **Bro. Zachary Gale**

2. The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.
6. For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.
7. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Solo – Bro. David Greenidge – “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”



Lesson 4 – Isaiah 11: 1 – 3a, 4a, 6 – 9 (The peace that Christ will bring is foreshown.)

– **Sis. Joy Best**

1. And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:
2. And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;
3. And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

4. But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth: with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.
6. The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.
7. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
8. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.
9. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

Solo – Sis. Evelina King-Harper – “When Will The Little King Come?”



Lesson 5 – Luke 1: 26 – 35, 38 (*The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.*)
 – *Sis. Althea Hazzard*

26. And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
27. To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.
28. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.
29. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.
30. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.
31. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.
32. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:
33. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

34. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?
35. And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.
38. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.



DRAMATISATION – “*Mary & Joseph*” – SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lesson 6 – **Luke 2: 1, 3 – 7** (*St. Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.*)

– *Bro. Kyle Blackman-Gibbons*

1. And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed.
3. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.
4. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)
5. To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
6. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
7. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

Song – “*Away In A Manger*” (*The Holder Children*)



DRAMATISATION – “*Shepherd: When we were in the field*”– SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lesson 7 – **Luke 2: 8 – 16** (*The Shepherds go to the manger.*)

– *Bro Steven King*

8. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
9. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

10. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
11. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
12. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
13. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,
14. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
15. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.
16. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

Hymn 48 – “*While Shepherds watched ...*” (Congregation)

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
 All seated on the ground,
 The angel of the Lord came down,
 And glory shone around.

“Fear not!” said he, – for mighty dread
 Had seized their troubled mind –
 “Glad tidings of great joy I bring
 To you and all mankind.

“To you, in David’s town, this day
 Is born of David’s line
 A Savior, who is Christ the Lord,
 And this shall be the sign:

“The heavenly Babe you there shall find
 To human view displayed,
 All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
 And in a manger laid.”

Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith
 Appeared a shining throng

Of angels praising God, and thus
Addressed their joyful song: –
“All glory be to God on high,
And to the earth be peace:
Good-will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease.”



ANTHEM – *“Echo Carol”* – **Choir**

Lesson 8 – **Matthew 2: 1 – 12** (*The Wise Men are led by the star to Jesus.*)

– *Sis. Veronica Leacock*

1. Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,
2. Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.
3. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.
4. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.
5. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet,
6. And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.
7. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.
8. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.
9. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.
10. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

11. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.
12. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

DRAMATISATION – “Wise Men”– SUNDAY SCHOOL



ANTHEM – “Born Is The Light Of The World”– Choir



Lesson 9 – John 1: 1 – 14 (St. John unfolds the mystery of the incarnation.)

– Rev. David Ince

1. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
2. The same was in the beginning with God.
3. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.
4. In him was life; and the life was the light of men.
5. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.
6. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.
7. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe.
8. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.
9. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.
10. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.
11. He came unto his own, and his own received him not.
12. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:
13. Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

14. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

DRAMATISATION – “Herod” – SUNDAY SCHOOL



ANTHEM – “Guard Him, Joseph” – Choir



Hymn 46 – “O come all ye faithful” (Congregation)

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him,
Born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
‘Glory to God
In the highest’
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given,
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord.



Notices



ANTHEM – *Look To The Rose*” – **Choir**



Closing Hymn: 53 –

Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King,
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
*Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come,
Offspring of a virgin’s womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail the incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
*Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”*

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace!
Hail, the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
*Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!”*



The Benediction



Organ Postlude



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

“Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.” (1 Cor. 2:9) Welcome to all – whether you are joining us here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad. Today we rejoice over the blessing and the hope we have in Jesus Christ. Welcome.



Advanced: Annette Price (9th), Margaret Best & Sheila Greenidge (10th), Tevye-Kaori Parris (11th), Caitlin Best (12th), Shauntelle Springer & Shakera Springer (13th), Glendene Harris (14th)



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: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

† Divine Worship & Service of Nine Lessons & Carols at 9:30 a.m.

† Adventures in Worship (All ages) – 10:00 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre

† Lessons & Carols at Bethlehem Moravian Church at 5:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK

† 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.

- † Wednesday: Bible Study – 6:00 p.m. online via Zoom. Meeting ID: 861 4335 8604 / Passcode: 244093.
- † Friday: Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.
- † Saturday: Meeting of Island Conference at 10:00 a.m.
- † Next Sunday: **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
 - † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
 - † Adventures in Worship (All ages) – 10:00 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre



Activities in the Month of December 2024:

- † Service of Nine Lessons and Carols – Sunday, 8th
- † Meeting of Island Conference – Saturday, 14th at 10:00 a.m. at the D. C. Moore Centre.
- † Worship on Christmas Day – Monday, 25th at 5:00 a.m.
- † Watch-Night Service – Sunday, 31st, 10:30 p.m.



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

1. We say thanks to all who supported in any way our (225th Anniversary) Sharon Men Cooking, yesterday. It was a success! Special thanks to the men who cooked: Chef Anthony, Chef Berkeley, Chef Darwin, Chef David G., Chef David I., Chef George, Chef Graham, Chef Gregory, Chef Kelvin, Chef Luther, Chef Matthew, Chef Michael, Chef Winston. Everything was excellent. Thanks to the women who arranged the event and provided the drinks.
 2. Thanks to all who supported our Missionary Festival on October 27, 2024. We raised so far \$14,229.15. Funds raised will go towards local missions, and to missionary endeavours across the region and the world through the various mission organisations of the Moravian Church.
 3. We are celebrating 225 years since the laying of the cornerstone here at Sharon. Upcoming events being planned include:
 - † Anniversary Dinner & Gala – February 8, 2025, at the Hilton. Dinner – \$200.
 - † Planting of a Time Capsule – February 9, 2025
 - † Closing Service – February 9, 2025
- † We have launched a “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.



4. From the Provincial Board: The Provincial Family extends condolences to Rev. Dr. Adrian Smith as he mourns the death of his grandmother, Mrs. Carlotta Eudora St. Hill, of Barbados. The funeral service will be held on December 12, 2024, at Mount Tabor Moravian Church, St. John, Barbados. Please pray for Bro. Smith and family in their time of grief and loss.
5. The assignment of Elders Districts is 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. John, Christ Church, Brittons Hill.	Sis. Ismay Straker
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

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.

✠ 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.

✠ You 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 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. 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.

✠ 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 (www.instagram.com/moravianvoice/) and the YouTube Channel of the Moravian Church Barbados Conference (<https://youtube.com/c/TheMoravianChurch-BarbadosConference>).

✝ You can email your comments and requests to: moravianvoice@gmail.com

✝ Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: “Moravian Voice” on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on Life 97.5 FM.

9. The Board of Management of the Gracehill Moravian Preschool is seeking to employ a General Worker for the Preschool. The general worker shall: Sanitize and clean around the classrooms and other school areas in line with our policies and procedures • Assist in looking after all domestic duties to support the smooth running of the preschool • Assist in the daily cleaning of the kitchen • Follow a daily, as well as a weekly indoor cleaning regime, and deep cleaning regime to a high standard • Maintain a daily cleaning of the outdoors of the preschool • Sanitize and clean the bathrooms on a regular basis during the day • Ensure that all supplies required are there when needed; and manage stock levels • Adhere to all Health and Safety requirements as set out by the Ministry of Health. Applications are to be sent to: The Board of Management Gracehill Moravian Preschool, c/o Moravian Church Barbados Conference, D.C. Moore Centre, Sharon Complex, St. Thomas BB22136.



The Past 225 Years



34. The National Trust of Barbados has listed the Sharon Moravian Church as ‘a building worthy of preservation’. It is hoped that this building will continue to be preserved in its historical state. A plaque to recognize this listing was placed on the wall next to the church’s front door.



PRAYER NEEDS:



1. Our Shut-ins: *Sis. Aileen Bowen, Bro. Tyrone Waithe, Sis. Vernice Alberta Osbourne*
2. The Sick/Recovering:
✝ Of our congregation: *Sis. Ansonia Cox-Burgess, Sis. Zelia Kellman, Sis. Shanna King (USA)*
3. **World Peace**



AVAILABLE (Through the Church Office):

- † Offering Envelopes for 2024 – 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.
- † Sharon Burgundy Shirts: Polos – \$30 / T-Shirts – \$15
- † 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 2024:

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

“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





The Bethlehem Moravian Church

Presents...



Lessons, Carols & Candlelight

**Featuring
The Bethlehem Moravian Church Choir**



Sunday 8th December 2024

5:00 pm

**Moravian Church - Barbados Conference
Presents**



"Food For The Journey"

Sunday School Teachers' Workshop 2025



Keynote Speaker:
Sis. Lou Anne Gardiner
from the Tobago Conference

Saturday, January 4, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

Online via Zoom

Meeting ID: 824 7616 2584 | Passcode: 158386

Scan or Click to join:



Come, share and recommit yourself to your calling.

**Moravian Church - Barbados Conference
Presents a Youth Conference**



"Empowered For Tomorrow"



Keynote Speaker:
Sis. Launée D.A. Richards
from the Antigua Conference

Saturday, January 11, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.

Online via Zoom

Meeting ID: 856 4518 9841 | Passcode: 901382

Scan or Click to join:



Come and be inspired to make big changes.