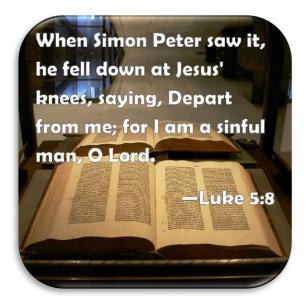






# Sharon Moravian Church

(Built by Slaves – 1799) Sharon, St. Thomas. BB22136



Sunday, February 9, 2025
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations Closing Service
9:30 a.m.

Welcome: We are happy to welcome all our friends and visitors as we celebrate another Anniversary of the gathering of this congregation and as we close our 225th Anniversary celebrations. Whether you are joining us here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad, may you be blessed as you share with us. Welcome.

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WATCHWORD: The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. (Psalm 138:8)

**Provincial Theme 2025:** 

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

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**



Introit - Choir

The Invitation to Worship: (Psalm 95:1-2)

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the

Rock of our salvation.

Congregation: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout

joyfully to Him with psalms.

Hymn 475 – "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him"

Litany for Anniversaries - Projected

**Worship in Tithes & Offerings** 

Offertory Sentence: "Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:7)

Offertory Hymn: 399 - "Thy Hand, O God, Has Guided"

**Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings** 

Offertory Doxology: "Thanks, Thanks, I Give You Thanks"

**Greetings, Celebrations & Notices** 

Acknowledgement of the 225th Anniversary Committee

**Adoration in Song** 

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 6:1 – 13 Second Scripture Reading: Luke 5:1 – 11

Choir Anthem - "Cathedral of Praise"

Sermon - Rev. David Ince

**Prayer of Commitment & Intercession** 

**Courtesies** 

Hymn 731 – "Lift Every Voice And Sing"

The Benediction

**Organ Postlude** 

MEET & GREET in the D. C. Moore Hall



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**Prelude** 

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Opening Hymn: 475 –

Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him;
Praise him, angels, in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before him,
Praise him, all ye stars and light:
Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken;
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
Laws which never shall be broken
For their guidance he hath made.

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious;
Never shall his promise fail;
God hath made his saints victorious;
Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation!
Hosts on high, his power proclaim;
Heaven and earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify his name!



### LITANY FOR ANNIVERSARIES

### All standing.

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy

name.

Congregation: Bless the Lord, O my soul, do not forget all God's benefits.

**Minister:** Who forgives your iniquity, who heals your diseases.

Congregation: Who satisfies you with good as long as you live, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

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With joyfulness and longing we look to thee, O Lord; Receive us in thy mercy, and cheer us with thy word; Crown us with loving-kindness, and promises of grace, And let thy benediction, reconsecrate this place.

The years have all been crowded with tokens of thy love, And many who here sought thee now worship thee above; But we, O Lord, still need thee, our pilgrim feet to stay, For evil often triumphs as faith to fear gives way.

Teach us to know our calling, and make that calling sure; Endow us with the guerdon of those whose hearts are pure; Then by the blood that bought us and by the grace that sought, Help us, in loving truly, to serve thee as we ought.

**Minister:** The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Let us pray. (Kneeling or Sitting)

**Minister:** Let us in penitence and humility confess our sins before the throne of grace, praying together.

Congregation: God of mercy, as we mark this moment, we confess our weaknesses, failures, and transgressions:

Our broken vows, our slackness and misuse of time and opportunity, our selfishness and our love of ease,

Our unkindness and indifference, our self-indulgence and our pleasures taken at the expense of others,

Our moments when we have not been true to ourselves, our lack of faith in your providence.

For these sins of commission and omission, have mercy upon us.

**Minister:** Lord Jesus Christ, we remember in your presence our losses and griefs, our hopes and treasures which the departing year has carried away, the disappointments we have known, the friends who are no longer with us

and whose steps we shall hear no more. We pray for grace to cherish the spirit which brings good out of evil, and which prevents adversities and sorrows from embittering our hearts. Give us comfort and a deep sense of your goodness in every circumstance of life; and when, despite our good intentions, we fail, be our strength and stay.

Congregation: Lord God, Father, hear us as we pray:

Minister: Our Father, who art in heaven,

Congregation: Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses – as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

**Minister:** Lord God, Son, the Saviour of the world,

Congregation: Be gracious unto us.

**Minister:** Lord God, Holy Spirit,

Congregation: Abide with us forever.

(Sitting)

Minister: God will supply every need of ours according to riches in glory in Christ

Jesus.

Congregation: To God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Tune: DISMISSAL

Thanks we give and adoration for the gospel's joyful sound; May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound May your presence, may your presence, with us Evermore be found.

**Minister:** Lord Jesus, you are the same yesterday, today, and forever: your throne is established in righteousness your compassion fails not, and your love endures from generation to generation. Lift the light of your countenance upon us, for we are exiles as our ancestors were. We thank you for all the ways by which you have led us in the past. Give us courage to set our faces toward the future.

Congregation: Amen.

**Minister:** Let us give thanks for all God's mercies.

For your grace given to us in days that are gone, for the blessings of life, seen and unseen, for the joy and peace of communion with you,

Congregation: We give you thanks, gracious God.

**Minister:** For the sacraments of love and service which have made us conscious of your presence in our common life, for the deeds we have been able to accomplish in the strength which you supply, for the kindness of associates, the love of friends, and the fellowship of kindred souls.

Congregation: We give you thanks, loving God.

**Minister:** For the disciplines which have enriched our living, for your wisdom and gracious providence which we have recognized when you have denied our foolish requests, for the faith which has guided us days of trial,

Congregation: We give you thanks, gracious God.

(Standing)

**Minister:** God will supply every need of ours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Congregation: To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Tune: Mit Freuden Zart

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in ev'ry generation.

Your people still have known your grace and your blessed consolation.

Through ev'ry age you heard our cry,

Through ev'ry age we found you nigh

Our strength and our salvation.

Lord, nothing from your arms of love shall your own people ever.

Our helper never will remove; our God will fail us never.

Your people, Lord, have dwelt secure;

Our dwelling place you will endure

For ever and forever.



**Worship in Tithes & Offerings** 

Offertory Sentence: "Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:7)

#### Offertory Hymn: 399 -

Thy hand, O God, has guided
Thy flock, from age to age;
The wondrous tale is written,
Full clear, on many a page;
Our fathers owned thy goodness,
And we their deeds record;
And both of this bear witness;
'One Church, one Faith, one Lord.'

Thy heralds brought glad tidings
To greatest as to least;
They bade men rise, and hasten
To share the great King's feast;
And this was all their teaching,
In every deed and word,
To all alike proclaiming
'One Church, one Faith, one Lord.'

Through many a day of darkness,
Through many a scene of strife,
The faithful few fought bravely,
To guard the nation's life.
Their gospel of redemption,
Sin pardoned, man restored,
Was all in this enfolded:
'One Church, one Faith, one Lord.'

And we, shall we be faithless?
Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the conflict,
And cast away our crown?
Not so; in God's deep counsels
Some better thing is stored;
We will maintain, unflinching,
'One Church, one Faith, one Lord.'

Thy mercy will not fail us, Nor leave thy work undone; With thy right hand to help us, Thy victory shall be won;
And then by men and angels
Thy name shall be adored,
And this shall be their anthem:
'One Church, one Faith, one Lord.'



**Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings** 



**Offertory Doxology:** 

#### 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.



**Greetings, Celebrations & Notices** 



Acknowledgement of the 225th Anniversary Committee



**Adoration in Song** 



# Ministry of the Word

### First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 6:1 – 13

- 1. In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.
- **2.** Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
- **3.** And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

- **4.** And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.
- 5. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.
- **6.** Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:
- 7. And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.
- **8.** Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.
- **9.** And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not.
- 10. Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.
- 11. Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate,
- **12.** And the Lord have removed men far away, and there be a great forsaking in the midst of the land.
- 13. But yet in it shall be a tenth, and it shall return, and shall be eaten: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose substance is in them, when they cast their leaves: so the holy seed shall be the substance thereof.



## **Second Scripture Reading:** Luke 5: 1 – 11

- 1. And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,
- 2. And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets.

- **3.** And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.
- **4.** Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.
- 5. And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.
- **6.** And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.
- 7. And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.
- **8.** When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.
- **9.** For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:
- **10.** And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.
- **11.** And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.



Choir Anthem – "Cathedral Of Praise"



Sermon --Rev. David Ince



**Prayer of Commitment & Intercession** 



#### **Courtesies**



#### Closing Hymn: 731 –

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet,
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered;
Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou Who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Thou Who hast by Thy might, led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee.
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee.
Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand,
True to our God, true to our native land.



The Benediction



**Organ Postlude** 



MEET & GREET in the D. C. Moore Hall

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Advanced: Kenton Jones (10<sup>th</sup>), Andrew Lowe & Tia Phillips (11<sup>th</sup>), Joan Denny-Downes (12<sup>th</sup>), Carlyle Knight & Zaria Lashley (13<sup>th</sup>), Aidan McClean & Tristan Whitehall (14<sup>th</sup>), Kyle Blackman-Gibbons (15<sup>th</sup>)



Congratulations to Bro. Berkley & Sis. Cherylann Greenidge who will celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on February 12, 2025; Congratulations also to Bro. Malcolm & Sis. Claudette Jones who will celebrate their 44<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on February 14, 2025.



#### **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.
  - **♣** Adventures in Worship (All ages) 10:00 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre
  - **♦** Meet and Greet after worship, in the D. C. Moore Hall. A light refreshment will be served.

#### 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).

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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.

₱ Meeting of the Board of Stewards at 6:00 p.m. in the

Sanctuary.

**♥** 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.

**♦ Next Sunday: Divine Worship & Infant Baptism at 9:30 a.m.** 

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

**†** Harvest Festival at Dunscombe at 3:30 p.m.



#### **Activities in the Month of February 2025:**

- **Harvest Festival at Calvary Sunday, 9th**
- **♥** Women's Prayer & Fasting Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup>
- **♣** Harvest Festival at Dunscombe Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.
- **♥** Conference Fundraising Fish Fry Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> at the D. C. Moore Centre.
- **₽** Black Heritage Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>. Come in your Afro wear. Celebrate our identity and heritage.
- **†** Harvest Festival at Clifton Hill − Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup>



### **NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. Our Joint Board and Delegates to Island Conference are as follows:

**Elders** Stewards

Sis. Hazel Carter Sis. Sylvia Arthur-Hurdle

Sis. Cora Cumberbatch Sis. Joy Best

Sis. Carmel Downes Sis. Patricia Brathwaite-Marshall

Sis. Merville Franklyn
Sis. Jennifer Clarke
Sis. Lelia Gibbs
Bro. Patrick Cadogan
Sis. Denise Grant
Sis. Sian Cumberbatch
Bro. Victor Hurdle
Bro. Darwin Dottin
Sis. Ingrid Ibrahim
Sis Charlene Ellis
Bro. Anthony Ifill
Sis. Sonia King

Bro. Steven King Sis. Evelina King-Harper

Sis. Veronica Leacock Bro. Andrew Lowe Bro. Edwin Sandiford Sis. Brenda Mascoll

Sis. Ismay Straker

**Delegates To Island Conference** 

Sis. Sylvia Arthur-Hurdle

Sis. Evelina King-Harper

Sis. Orrin Williams

Sis. Angelus Hurdle (Alternate)

- 2. 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.
- 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.



- 3. If you plan to claim on contributions to our church when filing your 2024 Income Tax Return, please make a request and submit your TAMIS Number, so that a statement can be forwarded to the Barbados Revenue Authority on your behalf. Please send an email to sharon.moravian.church@gmail.com or call the Church Office during Office Hours.
- 4. From the Provincial Board:
- The Provincial Board shares the sad news of the death of our colleague and sister, Rev. Julie Joefield-Parris. Sis. Joefield-Parris died on February 6, 2025, in Barbados, after a brief illness. Sis. Julie was a native of Tobago and candidated in 1986 for the Ministry of Christian Education from the Spring

- Garden congregation in Tobago. Sis. Julie was ordained in 1991 and served the Province in Antigua and Barbados. The Provincial family expresses sincere condolences to her husband, Rev. Ezra Parris, their children, Jaaziel and Tevye-Kaori, and the extended family. Let us pray for the family as they journey through this place of grief and loss.
- March 2, 2025, is Unity Sunday. At this time of year, we remember the birth of the Unitas Fratrum, the Moravian Church, on March 1, 1457 (568 years ago). Please continue to pray for the work and witness of our Church. A special Unity offering will be taken in all Moravian Churches worldwide on Sunday March 2, 2025. The Unity Offering for 2025 will be used to fund the Common Moravian Theological Education Curriculum. Details of the project are attached.
- **†** The Unity Prayer Watch is a special service to the world, offered by the worldwide Moravian Church. The Eastern West Indies Province will participate in the Unity Prayer Watch from April 03 − April 17, 2025. The Schedule is as follows:
  - **♦ Tobago 12 a.m. April 3 11:59 a.m. April 5, 2025**
  - ♥ St. Kitts & The Grenada Mission 12 p.m. April 5 11:59 p.m. April 7, 2025
  - **♥** Trinidad 12 a.m. April 8 11:59 a.m. April 9, 2025
  - **†** Barbados − 12 p.m. April 9 − 11:59 p.m. April 11, 2025
  - **♦** Antigua 12 a.m. April 12 11:59 p.m. April 14, 2025
  - **♥** Virgin Islands 12 a.m. April 15 11:59 p.m. April 17, 2025
- **†** Conferences are asked to use creative and innovative ways to observe the time allotted for our members to participate in this unbroken prayer chain.
- This prayer meeting began on August 13, 1727, when the Moravian Church had its Pentecost experience. Prayer is still a vital part of our walk with God and the life of the church. Let us therefore be in readiness for this prayer event as we continue to seek God's guidance and direction for our Church, the world, and ourselves.
- 5. From the Superintendent:
- ₱ The 34th Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province will be held in the Trinidad Conference in July 2025. The Synod will be both virtual and in-person. Synod will convene virtually on May 15, 2025, and June 12, 2025, to conduct housekeeping matters and to receive reports. The in-person sessions will be held from July 10 16, 2025 in Trinidad, with the 10th and 16th being travels days.
- The Congregations of the Province are being asked to cover the fees and costs of their Pastor(s)/Clergy Delegate(s) as usual. The estimated cost per delegate

- from Barbados is BD\$3,000, covering a Synod Fee of US\$1,000 and travel cost from Barbados to Trinidad of approximately BD \$1,000.
- The election of delegates is scheduled for Sunday, March 9, 2025, in the congregations of the Conference. Pastors have been asked to begin the process of having the Joint Board nominate one person from their congregation.
- As per the Book of Order (Paragraph 4.17), members of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province may submit proposals on any aspect of our church's life, for resolution at the 34th Provincial Synod. Proposals should be seconded by a member of the Moravian Church and submitted to the Conference Office by February 14th, for consideration by the Island Conference and further submission to the Provincial Office by April 15, 2025.
- **Please begin to make preparations and to pray for the Synod.**
- 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 helpinghands 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 <a href="www.sharonmoravian.info/giving-monetary">www.sharonmoravian.info/giving-monetary</a> 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.**

- ♣ MoravianVoicewillalsobeavailableonInstagram(www.instagram.com/moravianvoice/)and the YouTube Channel of theMoravianChurchBarbadosConference(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.



# The Past 225 Years

42. As the 225th anniversary celebrations draw to a close, we take the opportunity to acknowledge the historians who have kept the legacy of the Sharon Moravian Church recorded for future generations. We say thank you to the late Dr Karl Watson, Sir Henry Fraser and Professor Pedro Welch. Along with them, we have our oral historians who pass stories on from generation to generation. Without them, we would not have such a rich history to reflect on. Thanks to one and all.



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#### **PRAYER NEEDS:**



- 1. Our Shut-ins: Sis. Aileen Bowen, Sis. Vernice Alberta Osbourne
- 2. The Sick/Recovering:
  - † <u>Of our congregation:</u> Sis. Ansonia Cox-Burgess, Sis. Zelia Kellman, Sis. Shanna King (USA)
- 3. World Peace



### **AVAILABLE** (Through the Church Office):

- 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
- **†** Books:
- Rev. Neilson Waithe: <u>Understanding the Caribbean Worker</u> \$25; Provocation \$20.
- Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts: <u>Created in Their Image</u>: <u>Evangelical Protestantism</u> in <u>Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914</u> \$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.



#### **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

