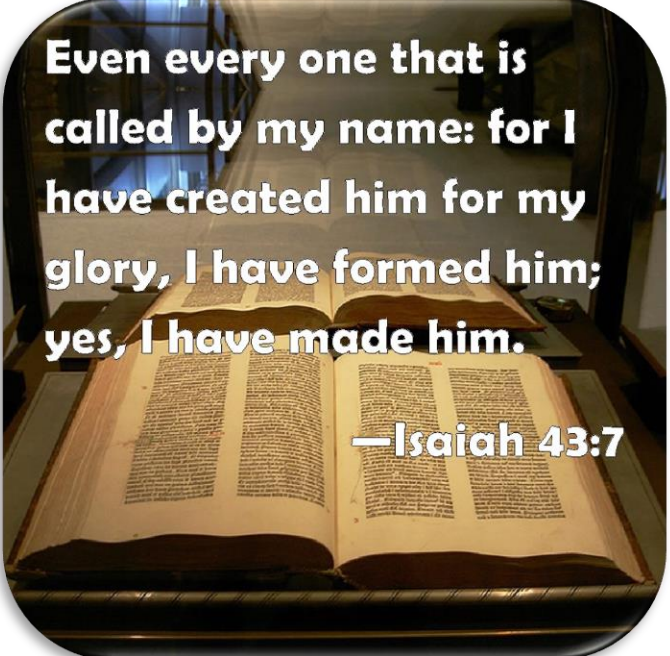




SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

(Built by Slaves – 1799)

Sharon, St. Thomas. BB22136



Even every one that is
called by my name: for I
have created him for my
glory, I have formed him;
yes, I have made him.

—Isaiah 43:7

Sunday, January 12, 2025

First Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: Welcome. “*This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.*” Welcome to all – whether you are joining us here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad. Let us worship God in the beauty of holiness.

Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris

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WATCHWORD: God said, “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.” *(Isaiah 43:1)*

Provincial Theme 2025:

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



ORDER OF SERVICE



Prelude

Introit – Choir

Call to Worship: Psalm 107:1 – 3

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

Congregation: *Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,*

All: And gathered out of the lands, From the east and from the west, From the north and from the south.

Opening Hymn: 485 “Praise Him, Praise Him – Jesus Our Blessed Redeemer”

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

Responsive Reading – Psalm 29

Worship in Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentence: *In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight. (Ephesians 1:7 – 8)*

Offertory Hymn: 317 – “Who is on the Lord’s side”

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Doxology – “Thanks, Thanks, I Give You Thanks”

Greetings, Celebrations & Notices

Adoration in Song

Ministry of the Word

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43: 1 – 7

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 3:15 – 17, 21 – 22

Choir Anthem – “Total Praise”

Sermon – Rev. David Ince

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Hymn of Reflection: 244 – “Redeemed, How I Love To Proclaim It”

Benediction

Organ Postlude



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Opening Hymn: 485 –

Praise Him, praise Him – Jesus our blessed Redeemer,
Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim.
Hail Him, hail Him, highest archangel in glory;
Strength and honour give to His Holy name.
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children,
In His arms He carries them all day long:

*Praise Him! Praise Him! Tell of His Excellent greatness:
Praise Him! Praise Him! Ever in joyful song!*

Praise Him, praise Him – Jesus our blessed Redeemer,
For our sins He suffered and bled and died;
He, our rock, our hope of eternal salvation,
Hail Him, hail Him, Jesus the Crucified.
Sound His praises, Jesus who bore our sorrows,
Love unbounded, wonderful deep and strong.

Praise Him, praise Him – Jesus our blessed Redeemer,
Heavenly portals loud with hosannas ring,
Jesus, Saviour, reigneth for ever and ever.
Crown Him, crown Him – Prophet, and Priest and King!
Christ is coming, over the world victorious;
Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong.



Responsive Reading – Psalm 29

1. Give unto the LORD, O ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.
2. Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
3. The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters.
4. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
5. The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.
6. He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.
7. The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire.
8. The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.
9. The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.
10. The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever.
11. The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.



Worship in Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Sentence: *In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight. (Ephesians 1:7 – 8)*

Offertory Hymn: 317 –

Who is on the Lord's side?
Who will serve the King?
Who will be his helpers,
Other lives to bring?
Who will leave the world's side
Who will face the foe?

Who is on the Lord's side?
Who for him will go?
By thy call of mercy,
By thy grace divine,
We are on the Lord's side;
Saviour, we are thine!

Not for weight of glory,
Not for crown and palm,
Enter we the army,
Raise the warrior psalm;
But for love that claimeth
Lives for whom he died:
He whom Jesus nameth
Must be on his side.
By thy love constraining,
By thy grace divine,
We are on the Lord's side;
Saviour, we are thine!

Jesus, thou hast bought us,
Not with gold or gem,
But with thine own life-blood,
For thy diadem;
With thy blessing filling
Each who comes to thee,
Thou hast made us willing,
Thou hast made us free.
By thy grand redemption,
By thy grace divine,
We are on the Lord's side
Saviour, we are thine!

Fierce may be the conflict,
Strong may be the foe,
But the King's own army
None can overthrow;
Round his standard ranging,
Victory is secure;
For his truth unchanging

Makes the triumph sure.
Master, thou wilt keep us,
By thy grace divine,
Always on the Lord's side;
Saviour, always thine!



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



Adoration in Song



Ministry of the Word

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:1 – 7

1. But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine.
2. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.
3. For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.
4. Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.

5. Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;
6. I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth;
7. Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.



Second Scripture Reading: Luke 3: 15 – 17; 21 – 22

15. And as the people were in expectation, and all men mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not;
16. John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:
17. Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.
21. Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,
22. And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.



Choir Anthem – “Total Praise”



Sermon – – Rev. David Ince



Prayer of Commitment & Intercession



Closing Hymn: 244 –

Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it!
Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed through His infinite mercy,
His child, and forever I am.

*Redeemed, redeemed, Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed, redeemed, His child, and forever I am.*

Redeemed, and so happy in Jesus,
No language my rapture can tell;
I know that the light of His presence
With me doth continually dwell.

I think of my blessed Redeemer,
I think of Him all the day long;
I sing, for I cannot be silent;
His love is the theme of my song.

I know I shall see in His beauty
The King in whose law I delight;
Who lovingly guardeth my footsteps
And giveth me songs in the night.



The Benediction



Organ Postlude



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

Welcome. *“This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.”* Welcome to all – whether you are joining us here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad. Let us worship God in the beauty of holiness.



Today: *Florina Scantlebury, Sheila Small & Mauricia Springer*
Advanced: *Tiandra Gill (13th), Joy Best & Rhys Hoyte (14th),
Margaret Haynes (15th), Louis Adams, Ashley King & Godfrey
Walcott (16th), Maureen Nicholls & Gloria Sealy (17th)*



Congratulations to Bro. Calvison & Sis. Dawn Maynard who are celebrating their 6th Wedding Anniversary today.



Flowers today were donated by Bro. Calvison & Sis. Dawn Maynard in celebration of their wedding anniversary.



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

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).

- † Tuesday: Women's Fellowship – First & Third Tuesdays: In Sanctuary at 3:00 p.m. All other Tuesdays: Online via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.
- † Board of Stewards Meeting at 6:00 p.m. online via Zoom.
- † 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: Prayer Meeting – Saturday before Communion & Third Saturdays in Sanctuary at 6:30 a.m.
- † Next Sunday: 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 January 2025:

- ✚ Moravian Church Barbados Conference at Prayer – Saturday, 25th, 6:00 a.m. Online via Zoom.
- ✚ Moravian Disciples Concert – Saturday 25th, 6:00 p.m. at Calvary
- ✚ Annual Church Council – Sunday, 26th
- ✚ Harvest at Centenary – Sunday, 26th
- ✚ PEC and Superintendents Conference – 27th – 31st in Antigua.



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

1. 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.



2. From the Superintendent:

- ✚ 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.

✝ 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.

3. 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, Oxwards, 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

4. 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.

5. 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.
6. 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.



The Past 225 Years

39. In the early 1990s, word came to Sharon that the Anglican Church of St. David's in Christ Church was in the process of replacing the organ at that church. From all reports, the organ had little, or no, issues, but St. David's wanted something better. The Church Committee, pushed by Bro Walwyn Blackman, and the then organist, Bro Pritchard Alleyne, moved with haste to investigate and acquire this organ for Sharon at a very generous price. On arrival, it was too big to fit the original space downstairs, and hence, had to be installed in the current location. Over 30 years later, the old St David's organ still swells the air at Sharon.



PRAYER NEEDS:



1. Our Shut-ins: *Sis. Aileen Bowen, Sis. Vernice Alberta Osbourne*
2. The Sick/Recovering:
 - † Of our congregation: *Sis. Ansonia Cox-Burgess, Sis. Zelia Kellman, Sis. Shanna King (USA), Sis. Ursalene Davis*
3. The Bereaved: *We express condolences to and we pray for the Waithe and Foster families on the passing of Bro. Tyrone Waithe; Sis. Margaret Haynes, Bro. Steven King and the entire family on the passing of her brother, Carl Hoyte.*
4. 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: 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



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To: All Members of Staff/Congregations

cc Members of PEC, Bishops

From: Rev. Algernon Lewis
Chairman of PEC

Subject: New Year Greeting

Date: January 3, 2025

Ref: PEC 01/25

FOR ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Warm Christian greetings in the name of Jesus, our Chief Elder.

New Year Greetings – 2025

Brothers and Sisters, happy New Year. We have entered 2025 under the watchful care of a gracious God.

The Provincial Board would have preferred to report that all the things we planned to do last year are behind us. However, saving underfunded pension plans requires extensive negotiations. We are still shifting this church organism to be more responsive and focused. Through the Re-imagining Leadership in the Province initiative, all of us are being called to focus ministry and mission around four pillars:

1. Three-dimensional growth - spiritual, numerical, and financial
2. Community engagement - deepening connections within our surroundings
3. Sustainability - securing our mission and the environment.
4. Asset utilization - optimizing resources in alignment with current realities.

All of this is within the context of SHIFT – migrating to a new location based on current realities.

In 2024, the second pillar of the Provincial Theme came into focus. Remember our theme: **Reclaiming our Identity, Renewing our Purpose, and Re-igniting our Passion.** Renewing our Purpose is about understanding the purpose of the church. To make the theme real and

understandable, the Board launched **Project Eirene**. This programme, created by Rev. Neilson Waithe and managed by Rev. Cherice Job, is a direct response to the violence that erupts in our schools and communities. The church has a ministry to people who need to know how to navigate tension and conflict that naturally arise. The intention is to have this programme active in all congregations, creating a mission to our schools and communities.

The Board also launched the **Moravian Institute** as a direct response to the shortage of trained lay people for ministry work. Over time, this initiative will create a well-resourced cadre of leaders who will work with full-time and supplementary clergy to lead congregations.

We were encouraged when Sis. Belinda Bart and Bro. Wycliffe Morton of the St. Kitts Conference were accepted to begin their studies at the United Theological College of the West Indies (UTC), pursuing Certificates in Ministerial Studies. Their first year will be done online, while the second will be done on campus in Jamaica at UTC, beginning in August 2025. It is our conviction that there are many others who feel the call of God and will arise and say, yes.

In 2025, we will focus on the final pillar of the theme: **Re-igniting our passion**. Re-igniting our passion is a call to get excited about our ministry and mission again. “Souls for the Lamb” is a rallying cry that needs to be lived again. Congregations are asked to set reasonable targets for reaching souls for the Lamb. Some may reach three while others reach ten. As important as numbers are, the greater importance should be our intentionality to reach others for Jesus. We also need to re-ignite our passion for service. How can we effectively serve our neighbours and be God’s hands extended to them? How might we re-ignite our passion for sustainability – paying debts, finishing projects, and creating income-generating projects to fund the work of the church? Our financial sustainability is crucial to sustaining God’s mission. How do we re-ignite the passion for ministry so that more people answer yes to the call of God on their lives to sustain the mission? I sense that the Holy Spirit wants to use this theme to renew commitment among our youth so that they can get on board with Jesus for the kingdom’s sake. Re-igniting our Passion is a clarion call to stir up the gifts within us for the cause of Christ.

2025 is a Synod year and we thank the Trinidad Conference for offering to host the Provincial Synod. This will be their first time of hosting Synod. The **34th Provincial Synod** Convenes virtually on May 15, 2025 with an additional virtual session on June 12, 2025. The in-person sessions run from July 10-16 and will include an awards dinner for clergy and lay people. As we prepare for Synod, members are invited to craft proposals based on your experience of the ministry that will further enhance the work of ministry in the Province. Your engagement in the legislative process makes it so much better.

As we look to the future, the Provincial Board is filled with hope, confident that God has gone ahead of us and is beckoning us to press on. The word of God to Joshua comes to mind, “Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or the left, that you may be successful wherever you go.” Our eyes must be fixed on Jesus as he calls us to walk steadfastly through the current challenges. As we move by faith, every place we set our foot will be ours.

Brothers and Sisters, this is our time. Let us rise and build.

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From: Rev. Algernon Lewis
Chairman of PEC 

Subject: Unity Prayer Watch 2025

Date: January 9, 2025

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FOR ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Warm Christian greetings in the name of Jesus, our Chief Elder.

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	12am, April 3 - 11:59am April 5, 2025
St. Kitts & The Grenada Mission	12pm, April 5 - 11:59pm April 7, 2025
Trinidad	12am, April 8 - 11:59am April 9, 2025
Barbados	12pm, April 9 - 11:59pm April 11, 2025
Antigua	12am, April 12 - 11:59pm April 14, 2025
Virgin Islands	12am, April 15 - 11:59pm 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.



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2025 CALENDAR

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Jan 01 New Year's Day
 Jan 06 Epiphany
 Feb 07 Grenada's Independence
 Mar 03 Unity Sunday
 Mar 05 Ash Wednesday
 Mar 24 Theological Education Sunday
 Mar 31 USVI Transfer Day
 Apr 03-17 Unity Prayer Watch
 Apr 18 Good Friday
 Apr 20 Easter Sunday
 May 29 Ascension Day
 Jun 08 Pentecost
 Jun 15 Trinity Sunday
 Jul 01 Territory Day of BVI
 Jul 03 Emancipation USVI
 Aug 31 Trinidad & Tobago Independence
 Sep 19 St. Kitts & Nevis Independence
 Sep 26 Day of Prayer for Surviving Spouses
 Oct 31 Reformation Day
 Nov 01 Antigua & Barbuda Independence
 Nov 13 Chief Elder Festival
 Nov 30 Barbados Independence
 Dec 25 Christmas Day

MORAVIAN MEMORIAL DAYS

MAR 01 - The founding of the Unitas Fratrum at Lititz, Bohemia, 1457.
 MAR 26 - The election of the first Minister of the Unitas Fratrum, 1467. The Sunday nearest March 26 is observed as a day of Prayer for Theological Education.
 MAY 12 - The signing of the Brotherly Agreement which marked the Renewal of the Unitas Fratrum at Herrnhut, Saxony, 1727.

JUN 17 - The founding of Herrnhut 1722.
 JUL 6 - The Martyrdom of John Hus, 1415.
 AUG 13 - The Manifestation of the Holy Spirit at Herrnhut, 1727.
 AUG 17 - The revival among the children of Herrnhut, 1727.

AUG 21 - The departure of the first Moravian Missionaries from Herrnhut, 1732
 SEP 16 - The experience of Headship of Christ in the Moravian Church, 1741. This date is observed as Ministers' Covenant Day to renew their covenant with God and with one another.
 NOV 13 - The Proclamation of the Headship of Christ in the Moravian Church, 1741. (Christ as Chief Elder of the Moravian Church.)
 DEC 13 - The beginning of the Moravian Missions, St. Thomas, V. I., 1732