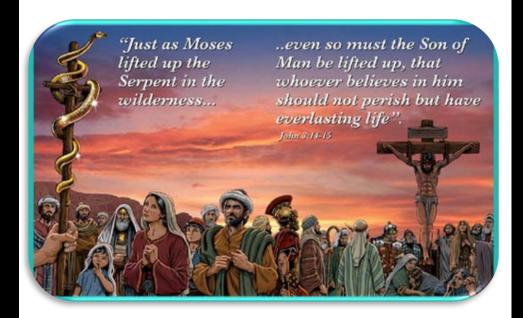






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**Sunday, March 10, 2024** The Fourth Sunday in Lent 9:30 a.m.

Welcome: Welcome to all as we give thanks for the marvelous grace of God. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us (Rom. 5:8). To all our visitors and friends, whether you are here in the sanctuary or online, at home and abroad, welcome.

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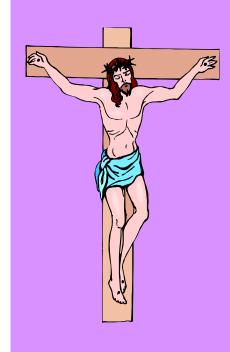
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WATCHWORD: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

(Ephesians 2:8)

## **Provincial Theme 2024:**

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



# **ORDER OF SERVICE**



**Organ Prelude** 

Introit - Choir

Call to Worship (Ps 107:1):

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!

All: For His mercy endures forever.

Hymn 245 – "Sing With Humble Hearts Your Praises"

Litany: Lent B p. 118 – CMP Liturgy Book /Projected

**Worship In Tithes & Offerings** 

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The Benediction Organ Postlude





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For our Saviour's boundless grace;
Pay due homage to Christ Jesus,
Come with thanks before his face:
Praise him for his death and bleeding,
All our happiness lies there;
Praise him for his gracious leading;
Praise your faithful Shepherd's care.

Praise for every scene distressing;
Praise for all thou didst endure;
Praise for every gift and blessing
Which thy griefs for us procure:
In thy ransomed congregation
Shall thy death our theme remain,
Till thou com'st with full salvation,
Lord of glory, Lamb once slain.



# Lent B

All stand

Come people of God, let us walk with our Lord by following His example. *We will follow our Lord.* 

Tune: DEM HEILIGEN BLUT - # 88

Go, follow the Saviour, Consider his travail; Adore him for ever, Ye sinners, and marvel; It is for you He suffers so.

Behold the Lord Jesus,
For you he is wounded,
He bleeds to release us;
His love is unbounded:
For evermore,
His name adore.

John Cennick (1718 – 1755)

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus.

Being justified by faith, let us have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, and by Him let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, giving thanks to his name.

God demonstrates His own love for us in that while we were sinners, Christ died for us. We give you thanks for granting the penitent sinner justification through your own sacrifice. Your promise is to deliver us from the control of darkness and transfer us into the Kingdom of Light.

Thank you God for the gift of freedom which no one could purchase! Jesus paid the price for us and we are very grateful. Hallelujah!

O Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Grant us sustained peace.

All sit

Let us pray:

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, you have enabled us to gather in your name. We are awed by your power and majesty, and touched by your love revealed to us in your Son Jesus Christ. Today, we remember with devotion, his last journey to Jerusalem to complete his work as our Messiah; to suffer, die and rise again. Our spirits are humbled by his obedience to your perfect will. O Father, we confess with shame, our slowness to learn from the example of our Lord. Look mercifully upon us, we pray, as we acknowledge and confess our sins:

Father, we confess that we have sinned against you, yet we know that you love us still. In your steadfast love, forgive our feeble worship which we offer to you; pardon our paltry praise; extend your mercy to us in our failure to

be genuine in our fellowship one with the other, and absolve our tendency to neglect attending to the needs of those who are the least among us within our communities. Reclaim us as your own for we truly repent of our sins as we resolve to follow in the footsteps of your Son. We embrace God's promise to us: A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. Amen.

Jesus, you were tempted in every way as we are yet you did not sin. You triumphed over temptation by the power of your word.

As we are bombarded daily by temptations of the body, mind and spirit, may we see ourselves as overcomers because of the power of your Holy Word which we have hidden in our hearts so that we may not sin against you.

Empowering Holy Spirit of God, the source of all that is good and true in this life:

Give us the courage to deny ourselves, take up our cross and follow Jesus

Christ our Lord.

Tune: NEAR THE CROSS

Jesus, keep me near the Cross; There a precious fountain, Free to all – a healing stream – Flows from Calvary's mountain.

In the Cross, in the Cross,

Be my glory ever,

Till my raptured soul shall find

Rest beyond the river.

Near the Cross! O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes before me; Help me walk from day to day, With its shadow o'er me.

Fanny Crosby (1820 – 1915)

#### All stand

By your agony and passion; By all your sacred wounds; By your cross and precious

By your cross and precious blood;

By your innocent suffering and dying;

By your stripes which heal;

By your rest in the grave;

By your triumphant victory over death; By your resurrection and ascension.

Bless us and save us, O Christ, our Redeemer.

Tune: POWER IN THE BLOOD

Would you be free from the burden of sin?
There's power in the blood, power in the blood;
Would you o'er evil a victory win?
There's wonderful power in the blood.

There is power, power, wonder-working power
In the blood of the Lamb;
There is power, power, wonder-working power
In the precious blood of the Lamb.

Lewis E. Jones (1865 – 1936)

Our Saviour in his living never failed to teach, heal, encourage and befriend all people. May we, even as we follow his perfect example and bear our own crosses, likewise demonstrate Christ's compassion to all we meet.

May we become aware that we are channels of God's grace, not magnifying our troubles or forgetting our blessings. May God give us a ready mind to minister to others on their journey, to share our gifts with those in need, and to be always willing to proclaim to all, the good news of salvation.

We give you thanks for the obedience of Christ, who by his death on the cross purchased our redemption; to the same one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be all glory, honour and power for ever.

\*\*Amen\*\*

Tune: ROCKINGHAM - #87

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts (1674 – 1748)



## **Worship In Tithes & Offerings:**

Offertory Sentence: "Each one as a good manager of God's different gifts must use for the good of others the special gift he has received from God." (1 Peter 4:10)

Offertory Hymn: 262 –

I know not why God's wondrous grace
To me He hath made known,
Nor why, unworthy, Christ in love
Redeemed me for His own.

But 'I know whom I have believed, And am persuaded that He is able To keep that which I've committed Unto Him against that day.'

I know not how this saving faith
To me He did impart;
Nor how believing in His Word
Wrought peace within my heart.

I know not how the Spirit moves, Convincing men of sin, Revealing Jesus through the Word, Creating faith in Him.

I know not what of good or ill May be reserved for me, Of weary ways or golden days, Before His face I see.

I know not when my Lord may come, At night or noonday fair, Nor if I'll walk the vale with Him, Or meet Him in the air.



**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.



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices



**Adoration in Songs & Choruses** 



# **Ministry of the Word:**

First Scripture Reading: Numbers 21:4 – 9

- **4.** And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way.
- 5. And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this light bread.
- **6.** And the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.
- 7. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord, and against thee; pray unto the Lord, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.
- **8.** And the Lord said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.
- **9.** And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.



# **Second Scripture Reading:** John 3:14 – 21

- **14.** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:
- **15.** That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
- **16.** For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
- 17. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.
- **18.** He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.
- **19.** And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
- **20.** For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.
- **21.** But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.



Choir Anthem - "Jesus, Gentle Lamb"



Sermon – Rev. Ezra Parris



**Prayer of Commitment & Intercession** 



Closing Hymn: 233 –

Jesus, Master, whose I am, Purchased thine alone to be, By thy blood, O spotless Lamb, Shed so willingly for me, Let my heart be all thine own, Let me live to thee alone.

Other lords have long held sway;
Now thy name alone to bear,
Thy dear voice alone obey,
Is my daily, hourly prayer.
Whom have I in heaven but thee?
Nothing else my joy can be.

Jesus, Master, I am thine; Keep me faithful, keep me near; Let thy presence in me shine All my homeward way to cheer: Jesus, at thy feet I fall, O be thou my all in all!



#### **Benediction**



## **Organ Postlude**



## Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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<u>Today:</u> Kailani Armstrong & Steve Garnes

<u>Advanced:</u> Gregory Hazzard (12<sup>th</sup>), Joyce Kellman (15<sup>th</sup>), Eric

Husbands (16<sup>th</sup>)



# **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
  - **†** Harvest Festival at Gracehill at 3:30 p.m.
- † This Week:
- → Office Hours Tuesday & 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.
  - **†** Meeting of the Board of Stewards at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- **♥** Wednesday: Bible Study (The Minor Prophets Hosea) 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. at the D.C. Moore Centre
- **♦** Next Sunday: Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
  - **♦** Adventures in worship (All ages) − 10:00 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre
  - **†** Harvest Festival at Mount Tabor at 3:30 p.m.



## **Activities in the Month of March 2024:**

- **♦** Meeting of Island Conference Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m., D.C. Centre.
- **♦** Mount Tabor Harvest Fair Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m.
- ₱ Harvest Festival at Mount Tabor Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup>
- **†** Theological Education Sunday − 24<sup>th</sup>



# **NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

- 1. We are celebrating 225 years since the laying of the cornerstone here at Sharon. We held our Anniversary Service on February 10<sup>th</sup>. Other events being planned, include:
  - **♥** Food & Fun Day Easter Monday, April 1, 2024. Admission is free. Food and drinks will be on sale!

- The George Ramsay Memorial" Lecture Thursday, May 16, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. The lecture will be presented by Dr. Pedro Welch.
- **♣** Anniversary Dinner & Gala Date to be confirmed.
- ♦ We have launched a "225 for 225" drive, in which we ask persons to donate \$225 dollars 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. At its meeting held on February 29, 2024, the Board of Elders appointed Sis. Carmel Downes as Vice-Chairman, Sis Cora Cumberbatch as Secretary and Sis. Hazel Carter as Assistant Secretary. The assignment of Districts is a follows:

No.	DISTRICT	ELDERS
1	Edgehill Rd., Near Sharon, Upper Jackson.	Sis. Ismay Straker
	Cane Garden, Cane Garden Park, Cane Garden New	
2	Development, Cane Garden Crescent, Cane Garden	Bro. Anthony Ifill
	Heights.	
3	Lower Jackson, 1st Avenue Jackson, Browne's Gap,	Bro. Edwin Sandiford
	Arthur Seat (W – West of Quarry Rd. to Warrens).	
4	Canewood Rd., Lears Corner, St. George,	Sis. Ismay Straker
	St. John, Christ Church, Brittons Hill.	
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. Bevitor.	Sis. Hazel Carter

### 3. From the Superintendent:

- The Annual General Meeting of Island Conference will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Duncan C. Moore Educational Centre, Sharon, St. Thomas.
- ♣ On Sunday, March 24, 2024, the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province will observe Theological Education Sunday. On this day annually, we remember in prayer our Warden/Tutor and all of our Moravian ministers in training at the United Theological College of the West Indies in Jamaica. A special offering towards ministerial training is also received. Currently, there is one (1) minister in training from this Province: Sis. Chioma Henry. Let us remember them especially in our prayers.

# 4. 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.
- 5. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: "Moravian Voice" on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on Life 97.5 FM.
  - Our radio broadcast ministry Moravian Voice has been on the air for some 32 years, since Wednesday, July 18, 1990. We rejoice that we have been able to offer this ministry and we are thankful to all our listenership and all who hosted and provided content over the years. We are thankful to our congregations which faithfully sponsored the programme.
  - **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



# The Past 225 Years

4. The parents of the celebrated English poet and hymn writer, James Montgomery, were among the missionaries who served at Bunker's Hill. They were Bro and Sis John Montgomery. His remains were interred in Barbados, hers in Tobago. They had travelled from Barbados to Tobago to continue the work, but he returned to assist in Barbados once more, where he fell ill and died.





#### **PRAYER NEEDS:**



- 1. Our Shut-ins: Sis. Aileen Bowen, Sis. Thora Moore, Sis. Patterson Williams
- 2. The Sick/Recovering:
  - † Of our congregation: Sis. Ansonia Cox-Burgess, Sis. Shanna King (USA)
- 3. The Bereaved: We express condolences to and pray for: Kofi and Kymani Gilkes and the entire Gilkes family, on the passing of their mother, Sandra Gilkes.
- 4. World Peace



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

- **†** Moravian Daily Text 2024:
  - American Paperback Edition \$25
  - American Large Print Edition \$32
- 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.
- Missionary Collection Boxes for 2024 If you had a box last year, please collect it from the Vestry. If you desire a box for the first time, please inquire at the vestry after worship or at the Church Office.
- **♦ Sharon Burgundy Shirts:** Polos − \$30 / T-Shirts − \$15
- **†** Copies of Sunday sermons on CD − \$2.00.
- **†** Books:
- Rev. Neilson Waithe: <u>Understanding the Caribbean Worker</u> \$25; Provocation \$20.
- Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts: <u>Created in Their Image: Evangelical Protestantism in Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914</u> \$50.
- Rev. Dr. Joseph Nicholas: <u>Baptism Is a Gift of God: As Such It Is More Than</u> <u>Water</u> \$35.
- **†** Greeting Cards (\$2.00) and Prints (\$20.00) of a painting of Sharon Church.



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"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



## **UNITY PRAYER DAY OFFERING 2024.**

Support for Ukrainian Refugees in Germany and the Czech Republic

#### **GERMANY**

The Russian war of aggression triggered a large movement of refugees within Ukraine, but also to safe neighbouring countries. More than 1.3 million refugees – mostly women with their children – arrived in Germany alone as of February 2022.

Partly through personal contacts, partly because of the proximity of various congregations to the border, the Moravian Church in Germany had already recognized the responsibility to provide active help at an early stage. The first women and children arrived at the Moravian guest house KOMENSKÝ at the beginning of March 2022 during the days of the Synod meeting. Spontaneously, an information and discussion session was arranged at Synod. In the following weeks, several rooms in the KOMENSKÝ were made available for refugees. Some moved on later, for others, flats were sought in and around Herrnhut. There was a great readiness to help, within the congregation and also among many people in the surrounding area who donated necessary clothing or furniture.

Like Herrnhut, several other congregations helped immediately with the most necessary items. It soon became clear that housing, clothing, and food could only be the basics of support. From the beginning, personal relationships were also important. Parishioners who spoke Russian often volunteered to help with visits to offices and doctors or started German language courses. In Herrnhut, the "Café Odessa" was founded – a meeting place for newcomers and residents, which continues to open its doors once a week. In Cottbus, the "Haltestelle", a missionary project of the Moravian Church, invited refugee children to the "Ukrainian School". Here they could learn German in a playful way, but above

all enjoy hours of levity after the often-traumatic experiences of the war. The Haltestelle is still an important anchor point for Ukrainian children and their parents.

Supporting children and young people also became a task for the Moravian schools. Ukrainian classes were established at both the Zinzendorf schools in Königsfeld and Herrnhut. The goal of integrating the children into the regular classes after intensive German language courses has been achieved in the meantime. The Königsfeld Zinzendorf School also provided cost-intensive accommodation for an unaccompanied Ukrainian girl in the boarding facilities.

In addition to helping refugees in the congregations and institutions, the Moravian Church also helped directly in Ukraine. Aid transports to the wartorn regions were supported. In cooperation with other Christian organizations, almost 10,000 copies of the Moravian Daily Watchwords in Ukrainian language have been distributed since the beginning of the war. The books were distributed by pastors and staff of local church congregations, mostly together with aid packages. The soldiers at the front received the Watchwords together with the food packages.

We will continue to distribute the Moravian Watchwords to sow hope with the word of God in a country where war has devastated so many places and landscapes, in a society where joy of life and confidence are hard to find at the moment.

#### **CZECH REPUBLIC**

In February 2022, the war in Ukraine began. Due to the war situation, many residents were forced to flee Ukraine and look for a new home in various European countries. Over 500,000 Ukrainian refugees also received temporary protection in the Czech Republic. These are mainly women and children, possibly the elderly, as the men stayed in Ukraine to defend their country.

The Moravian Church Unity Province also got involved in helping Ukrainians without hesitation: by providing accommodation, donating clothes and household items, offering opportunities for work and spending free time, practical help and support. Thanks to the cooperation with the Moravian Church Choir, the community united around the New Generation Christian elementary school in Kyiv, approx. 120 people, moved to Nová Paka - the Nová Paka choir, in cooperation with the region and other organizations, and with the support of donors from UF, managed to secure for them accommodation and spaces for teaching. During this year, some returned or moved to other

countries, in the following school year the students from this school will be educated directly in our primary school.

We are still continuing this assistance: in some of our congregations, Ukrainian families continue to stay, or women with children, several women are even employed in our congregations. In our Christian schools and kindergartens, we not only provide education for registered Ukrainian pupils and students (Nová Paka, Hejnice, Liberec), but we also help them and their families, if possible, with solving their needs and the traumas that war brings, our congregations offer the possibility of leisure activities - participation of children in clubs, summer camps, involvement in various activities within the community (mothers' clubs, senior clubs), etc. If possible, Ukrainians participate in our services, which are adapted for them, a Ukrainian Christian group meets weekly in the premises of the Nóva Paka church.









