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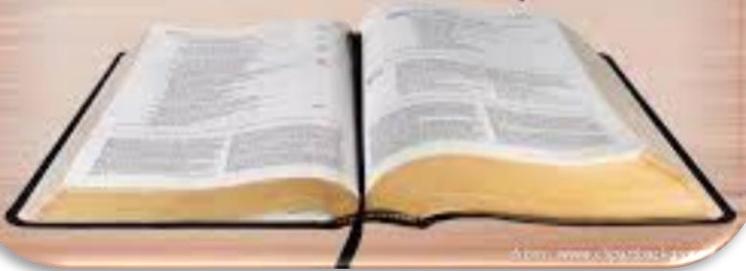
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13 But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth,



Sunday, November 6, 2022

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

**Welcome:** Welcome is extended you, whether you are here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad on this Sunday that we celebrate the Saints of God. Today we are reminded that saintliness is not a thing of the past, neither is it a quality of the dead, but it is the call of God to all who believe and trust in him. May sanctification progress in us even more, today. Welcome!

**Pastor:** Rev. Ezra Parris

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**Associate Pastor:**

Rev. Movelle Kellman

**WATCHWORD:** For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. (*Job 19:25*)

**Provincial Theme 2022:** “Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T.”

*Seek & Submit; Hear & Heed; Imagination & Insight;*

*Focus & Function; Total Transformation*



## ORDER OF SERVICE

**Organ Prelude**

**Introit**

**Call to Worship (Psalm 145:10 – 13):**

**L:** All Your works shall praise You, O LORD, and Your saints shall bless You.

**C:** *They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom, and talk of Your power, To make known to the sons of men His mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of His kingdom.*

**L:** Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Litany: In Memory of Martyrs and Saints** (p. 160 – CMP Liturgy Book /Projected)

**Worship in Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory Sentence:** *“Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name. ‘But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand’”* (1 Chron. 29:13 –14, NIV).

**Offertory Hymn: 262** – *“I know Not Why God’s Wondrous Grace”*

**Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory Doxology:** *“Give Thanks”*

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**Prayer of Commitment & Intercession**

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Musical Interlude / Prayer of Preparation (p. 50 – Liturgy Book / p. 9 – Hymnal)

**HOLY COMMUNION**

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**Consecration of the Bread**

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**Consecration of the Wine**

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211 – *“Just As I Am – Without One Plea”*

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Covenant Hymn:** 595 – *“We In One Covenant Are Joined”*

**The Blessing & Organ Postlude**



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**Prayer of Invocation**



## IN MEMORY OF MARTYRS AND SAINTS

*All standing*

**Tune: BEDFORD - # 473**

Glory to God whose witness train,  
Those heroes bold in faith,  
Could smile on poverty and pain,  
And triumph e'en in death.

God whom we serve, our God can save,  
Can damp the scorching flame,  
Can build an ark, can smooth the wave,  
For such as love his name.

Lord, if thine arm support us still  
With its eternal strength,  
We shall o'ercome the mightiest ill,  
And conquerors prove at length.

***Nicolaus L v. Zinzendorf (1700 - 1760)***

After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes and held palm branches in their hands.

***And they were shouting with a great roar, "Salvation comes from our God who sits on the throne and from the Lamb!"***

These are they of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and caves, and the holes of the earth. They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword, they were burned at the stake. They were destitute, afflicted, ill-treated. These are they that came out of great tribulation, and they washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

***That is why they stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his Temple.***

They will never again be hungry or thirsty; they will never be scorched by the heat of the sun. For the Lamb on the throne will be their Shepherd. He will lead them to springs of life-giving water.

***And God will wipe every tear from their eyes.***

**Tune: SINE NOMINE – # 351**

For all thy saints, who from their labours rest,  
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest:  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;  
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight:  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*William W. How (1823 – 1897)*

***All seated.***

**Let us pray:**

Almighty God our heavenly Father, we offer unto thee our hearty thanks and praise, for the holy lives of all thy servants, the prophets, apostles and martyrs, who have shone forth as lights in the world, and sacrificed their lives in testimony of their faith.

We thank thee for the blessed communion of all thy saints in glory.

We remember before thee all who have departed this life in the true faith, and especially those most dear to us. We rejoice in our present fellowship with them, our abiding hope, and the promise of future joy.

Let the great cloud of witnesses, the innumerable company of those who have gone before and entered into rest, be to us an example of godly life. May we, with patience, run the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; and obtain an entrance into the everlasting kingdom, and with the glorious assembly of the saints, worship and adore thee, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***All standing.***

**Tune: LANCASHIRE – # 573**

Apostles, prophets, martyrs,  
And all the sacred throng  
Who wear the spotless raiment,  
Who raise the ceaseless song;  
For those passed on before us,  
Saviour, we thee adore,

And walking in their footsteps,  
Would serve thee more and more.

***Horatio Nelson (1823 - 1913)***

God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right,  
***For the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.***

Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death?  
***No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. If God is for us, who can ever be against us?***

This is the message from the one who is the Amen--the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's new creation: If you remain faithful even when facing death, I will give you the crown of life.  
***To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by shedding his blood for us. He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God his Father. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.***

**Tune: ALFORD - # 352**

Ten thousand times ten thousand,  
In sparkling raiment bright,  
The armies of the ransomed saints  
Throng up the steeps of light!  
'Tis finished, all is finished,  
Their fight with death and sin;  
Fling open wide the golden gates  
And let the victors in!

Bring near thy great salvation,  
Thou Lamb for sinners slain!  
Fill up the roll of thine elect;  
Then take thy power, and reign!  
Appear, desire of nations;  
Thine exiles long for home,  
Show in the heavens thy promised sign:  
Thou Prince and Saviour, come!

*Henry Alford (1810 – 1871)*



## **Worship In Tithes & Offerings**

**Offertory Sentence:** *“Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name. ‘But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand” (1 Chron. 29:13 –14, NIV).*

## **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 believèd,  
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 Offerings**



## **Offertory Doxology:**

## *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
Give thanks to the Holy  
Give thanks for he has given Jesus Christ is Son *(repeat)*  
And now let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich for what the Lord has done  
Give thanks. *(repeat)*



## Welcome, Celebrations & Notices



### Testimony in Song: # 274

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My faith, it is an oaken staff,  
The traveller's well-loved aid;  
My faith, it is a weapon stout,  
The soldier's trusty blade.  
I'll travel on, and still be stirred  
By silent thought or social word;  
By all my perils undeterred  
A soldier-pilgrim staid.

2 I have a captain, and the heart  
Of every private man  
Has drunk in valour from his eyes,  
Since first the war began.  
He is most merciful in fight,  
And of his scars a single sight

The embers of our failing might  
Into a flame can fan.

3 I have a guide, and in his steps  
When travellers have trod,  
Whether beneath was flinty rock  
Or yielding grassy sod,  
They cared not, but with force unspent,  
Unmoved by pain, they onward went,  
Unstayed by pleasures, still they bent  
Their zealous course to God.

4 My faith, it is an oaken staff,  
O let me on it lean;  
My faith, it is a trusty sword,  
May falsehood find it keen.  
Thy Spirit, Lord, to me impart,  
O make me what thou ever art,  
Of patient and courageous heart,  
As all true saints have been.

*1855. T. T. Lynch.*



## Ministry of the Word

**First Scripture Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:1 – 5, 13 – 17**

1. Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,
2. That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

3. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
4. Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.
5. Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?
13. But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:
14. Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
15. Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.
16. Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,
17. Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.



**Second Scripture Reading:    Luke 20:27 – 38**

27. Then came to him certain of the Sadducees, which deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked him,
28. Saying, Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

29. There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children.
30. And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.
31. And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children, and died.
32. Last of all the woman died also.
33. Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife.
34. And Jesus answering said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage:
35. But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage:
36. Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.
37. Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.
38. For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him.



### **Choir Anthem – “What Are These?”**



### **Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris**



## Prayer of Commitment & Intercession



Hymn 440 -

Tune: Beecher - # 273

Ye that know the Lord is gracious,  
Ye for whom a corner-stone  
Stands, of God elect and precious,  
Laid that ye may build thereon,  
See that on that sure foundation  
Ye a living temple raise,  
Towers that may tell forth salvation,  
Walls that may re-echo praise.

Living stones, by God appointed  
Each to his allotted place,  
Kings and priests, by God anointed,  
Shall ye not declare his grace?  
Ye, a royal generation,  
Tell the tidings of your birth,  
Tidings of a new creation  
To an old and weary earth.

Tell the praise of him who called you  
Out of darkness into light,  
Broke the fetters that enthralled you,  
Gave you freedom, peace and sight:  
Tell the tale of sins forgiven,  
Strength renewed and hope restored,  
Till the earth, in tune with heaven,  
Praise and magnify the Lord.



## MUSICAL INTERLUDE / Prayer of Preparation



### The Lord's Supper I

*A Prayer for private preparation:*

*I confess to thee, O God, that I have sinned in thought, word and deed through my own fault; wherefore I pray thee to have mercy upon me. O Lord, forgive me all my sins, and deliver me from evil; confirm me in all goodness; and bring me to life everlasting, through Jesus Christ. Amen.*

*The congregation stands as the minister brings the elements to the table.*

Our Saviour saith, 'Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.'

I am the bread of life: whoever cometh to me shall never hunger; and whoever believeth in me shall never thirst.'

*We do not presume to come to this thy table, O Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold mercies.*

*But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; grant us, gracious Lord, so to take this bread and drink this cup, that our fellowship with Thee may cleanse us*

***from our sin and that we may evermore dwell in thee, and  
thou in us. Amen.***

*A hymn is sung, or the Sursum Corda is used:*

Lift up your hearts:

***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God:

***It is meet and right so to do.***

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee O Lord, holy Father, almighty everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying,

***Holy, holy, holy,  
Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee O Lord most high.***

*Prayer is offered, or this form may be used:*

**Let us pray.**

All glory and thanksgiving be to thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that thou didst take our nature upon thee, and suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; that thou didst make there a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the world; and didst institute, and in thy holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that thy precious death.

Wherefore, we commemorate thy last supper with thy disciples and having in remembrance thy work and passion, thy glorious resurrection and ascension, and pleading thy eternal sacrifice, we thy servants do set forth this memorial which thou willest us to make, giving thee thanks that thou hast counted us worthy to stand before thee.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that with thy holy life-giving Spirit thou wilt bless and sanctify both us and these gifts of bread and wine which we set before thee; that this bread which we break may be to us the communion of thy body; and the cup of blessing which we bless the communion of thy blood; that we, and thy whole Church, receiving the same by faith, may be partakers of thy body and blood, to our spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice, humbly beseeching thee that all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences: and in fellowship with all the faithful in heaven and earth, we pray thee to fulfil in us and in all thy people the purpose of thy redeeming love; and to thee, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end.  
**AMEN.**

*All stand.*

The Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, *'Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you; this do in remembrance of me.'*

*The Bread is distributed while hymns are sung.*



576

With deep devotion  
We in Christ's sufferings trace  
The unfathomed ocean  
Of his abounding grace;  
He gave  
Himself, our souls to save.

His body broken  
Upon the shameful cross,  
As he hath spoken,  
Was given to death for us:  
We feed  
On everlasting bread.

The Lord draws near us,  
Let us to meet him haste;  
He comes to cheer us,  
His flesh is our repast,  
His blood  
Our drink and highest good.

In sweet communion  
With Christ, our Paschal Lamb,

And holy union  
With all who love his name  
May we  
Abide continually.



585

I hunger and I thirst,  
Jesus, my manna be;  
Ye living waters, burst  
Out of the rock for me.

Thou bruised and broken bread,  
My life-long wants supply;  
As living souls are fed,  
O feed me, or I die.

Thou true life-giving Vine,  
Let me Thy sweetness prove;  
Renew my life with Thine,  
Refresh my soul with love.

Rough paths my feet have trod,  
Since first their course began;  
Feed me, Thou Bread of God;  
Help me, Thou Son of Man.

For still the desert lies  
My fainting soul before;  
O living waters, rise  
Within me evermore.



581

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;  
Here would I touch and handle things unseen;  
Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,  
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God,  
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of Heaven;  
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,  
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

I have no help but Thine; nor do I need  
Another arm save Thine to lean upon;  
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;  
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.

Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness:  
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;  
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace;  
Thy Blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God!

This is the hour of banquet and of song;  
This is the heavenly table spread for me;  
Here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong  
The brief, bright hour of fellowship with thee.

Feast after feast thus comes and passes by;  
Yet, passing, points to the glad feast above,  
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,  
The Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.



*All having received the Bread, the Congregation stands.*

Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ's body was given for you: and feed upon him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*All partake together, then sit or kneel, and after silent prayer, sing this verse:*

*Tune: Media Vita (Part II)*

***Most holy Lord and God,  
Holy, almighty God,  
Holy and most merciful Saviour,  
Thou eternal God;  
Grant that we may never  
Lose the comforts from thy death,  
Have mercy, O Lord.***



*All stand*

After the same manner also, the Lord Jesus took the cup when he had supped, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, *'Drink ye all of it, for this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. This do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.'*

*The Wine is distributed while hymns are sung.*



255

O fountain eternal of life and of light,  
Where all find refreshment who seek it aright,  
Pure spring of salvation,  
And true consolation,  
From God's holy temple thy living stream rolls,  
Whose waters flow ample for all thirsty souls.

Let him that is thirsty – 'tis ever thy call –  
Now drink of the waters abounding for all;  
See where the glad river  
Flows full from the giver;  
All ye who are ailing and needy, draw nigh,  
This well-spring ne'er failing your wants will supply.

Here come I, my Shepherd, athirst after thee,  
In mercy receive me, for mercy's my plea;  
The word thou hast spoken  
Can never be broken;  
Thou knowest I'm needy and greatly distressed,  
Thou callest the weary to come and find rest.

O therefore, Lord Jesus, permit me to rest,  
Where saints are no longer by suffering oppressed;  
Where joys beyond measure,  
And fullness of pleasure,  
In glory transcendent the conquerors share,  
And where crowns resplendent the faithful shall wear.



211

Just as I am – without one plea,  
But that thy blood was shed for me,  
And that thou bidst me come to thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need in thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – thy love unknown  
Hath broken every barrier down;  
Now, to be thine, yea, thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am – of that free love  
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
Here for a season, then above,  
O Lamb of God, I come.



208

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me;  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord hath promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be,  
As long as life endures.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,  
And mortal life shall cease,  
I shall possess, within the veil

A life of joy and peace.



*All having received the Wine, the Congregation stands.*

Take and drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be ye thankful.

*All partake together, then sit or kneel, and after silent prayer, sing this verse:*

***Most holy Lord and God,  
Holy, almighty God,  
Holy and most merciful Saviour,  
Thou eternal God;  
Bless thy congregation  
Through thy sufferings, death and blood,  
Have mercy, O Lord.***



*Verses of Thanksgiving may be sung or a prayer of thanksgiving such as the following is offered:*

## **Hymn of Thanksgiving – 197**

Blessèd assurance, Jesus is mine:  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God;  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior, all the day long.*

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture burst on my sight;  
Angels descending, bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.



O Christ, our ever-living Lord, who in thy great love hast fed us at thy table, we most heartily thank thee for this time of fellowship, and for the spiritual strength and comfort thou dost impart to our souls. Grant us thy help to keep the vows which here we renew. May the uplifting sense of thy presence remain with us to guide and defend our lives.

We praise thee that thou has made us members of thy mystical body, the blessed company of all faithful people: and we commend to thee all those who are joined to us in the one true faith. We bring to thee in love and tenderness all who are dear to us .... Be pleased to unite thy people everywhere in love and charity; and let thy Church spread abroad in the earth, drawing all people unto thyself, that they may find redemption and peace in thee.

Rejoicing in the communion of saints, we thank thee for all thy servants who have departed in the faith, the great cloud of witnesses by whom we are encompassed, who in every age have loved thee in life, and continued faithful unto death, especially those most dear to our own hearts ..... Give us grace with them to follow thee, and bring us at the last to those things which eye hath not seen nor ear heard, which thou hast prepared for them that love thee.

Now, unto him that loved us, and hath loosed us from our sins by his blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto his God and Father, unto him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.

**AMEN.**

*During a covenant hymn, the right hand of fellowship is given, as a pledge of rededication to the service of Christ and a sign of our oneness in him.*

## **Covenant Hymn – 595**

We in one covenant are joined,  
And one in Jesus are;  
With voices and with hearts combined,  
His praise we will declare:  
In doctrine and in practice one,  
We'll love and serve the Lord alone;  
With one accord sound forth his praise,  
Till we shall see his face.



***The Blessing:***

THE Lord bless thee and keep thee;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee;  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

***In the name of Jesus. AMEN.***

*All remain standing whilst the minister removes the elements from the table.*



**Organ Postlude**



**Welcome, Celebrations & Notices**

**Welcome** is extended you, whether you are here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad on this Sunday that we celebrate the Saints of God. Today we are reminded that saintliness is not a thing of the past, neither is it a quality of the dead, but it is the call of God to all who believe and trust in him. May sanctification progress in us even more, today. Welcome!



**Today:** Coral Holder & Michelle Reece-Herbert

**Advanced** Charlene Ellis (8<sup>th</sup>), Ricardo Gibbs & Ahmir Worrell (9<sup>th</sup>), Ione Drakes, Rachelle Jean-Marie & Marita Walrond (10<sup>th</sup>), Matthew Waithe (11<sup>th</sup>), Linda Bryan-Carrington (12<sup>th</sup>)



***Congratulations to Bro. Kelvin & Sis. Hazel Carter who will celebrate their 39<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on November 12, 2022.***

### **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 & Holy Communion** at 9:30 a.m.
- ✝ **Sunday School (All Ages)** – 9:30 a.m.

#### **THIS WEEK:**

- ✝ **Office Hours** – Tuesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. (D. C. Moore Centre).
- ✝ **Tuesday:** Women's Fellowship – Online at 6:00 p.m.

- † **Wednesday:** Prayer Meeting – 6:00 p.m. online via Zoom.  
Meeting ID: 861 4335 8604 / Passcode: 244093. We are studying the community of the Church.
- † **Friday:** Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

**NEXT SUNDAY: HARVEST SUNDAY**

- † **Divine Worship** – 9:30 a.m.
- † **Sunday School (All Ages)** – 9:30 a.m.



**In the Month of November 2022:**

- † **Missionary Festival at Clifton Hill** – Monday, 7<sup>th</sup>
- † **The 33<sup>rd</sup> AGM of the Moravian Church Co-operative Credit Union Ltd.** – Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> at D. C. Moore Centre, 4.30 p.m.
- † **Harvest Festival at Sharon** – Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.
- † **Rev. Parris on Vacation** – 14<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>
- † **Missionary Festival at Gracehill** – Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup>
- † **Harvest Festival at Bethlehem** – Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup>
- † **Missionary Festival at Fulnec** – Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup>
- † **The First Sunday in Advent** – 27<sup>th</sup>
- † **Christingle** – Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> at Calvary, 5:00 p.m.



**Upcoming Fundraising Events:**

- † **Police Band Concert – Date to be confirmed**



**NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. The Women's Fellowship will hold a Farmer's Market immediately after Church on Sundays. Seventy-five percent

(75%) of the financial proceeds will go to the Church to be used as needed. Items will cost either \$3.00 or \$5.00.

2. For our Brown Offering on Sunday, September 25th, some \$1,505 was collected. We say thank you to all who responded. The plan is to have a colour Sunday each quarter as we seek contributions towards repairs to our church building. The next one, a Purple Sunday, is planned for the Third Sunday in December. We invite attendees to wear purple and to present a walk-up offering of purple Barbados currency.
3. You are reminded of the important role the Choir plays in leading and enlivening our song in worship to God, and conveying to our hearts the message of the Gospel, on a weekly basis. You are invited to add your voice to this ministry. Please express your interest to the Director, Bro Kevin King.
4. We are in need of people to serve on our Media Team. Here is opportunity to be trained and then to engage in an important ministry to our congregation. Interesting persons should contact Sis Kristina Carter.
5. The Harvest Sale we have been planning for Saturday, November 12th has been cancelled due to a poor response. We will revert to the sale of Harvest Offerings of food and provisions on Harvest Sunday, November 13th. Included will be Soup (\$5.00 – \$10.00) and small flower arrangements. You are asked to deliver your offerings and decorations on Saturday, 12th.
6. The Moramus Singers of Barbados on behalf of the Moravian Church Barbados Conference will present Christingle 2022 – *John W. Peterson's Night of Miracles* at the Calvary Moravian Church, Roebuck Street, Bridgetown on Sunday, November 27, 2022. Admission – \$20.00. The word 'Christingle' means 'Christ-Light' and the Moravian Christingle service may be held in Advent, Christmas or Epiphany to emphasize and celebrate Jesus as the light and the hope of the world.

7. We draw to your attention the installation of fire extinguishers at strategic points in our church building. About twelve (12) persons have been trained in the use of the extinguishers and on them we will depend if they need to be used. We thank the Board of Stewards for spearheading the effort; Bro Wilfred Marshall (Grace Hill) for his advice and training; and Bro George Best for the installation of the units.
8. We are thankful for your financial support. We are mindful that we are not in the easiest of times, economically.
  - ✝ We are also grateful for the contribution of the Women's Fellowship which has been giving \$700 to our general fund, every month.
  - ✝ 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.
  - ✝ Those who are not back out to church as yet 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](http://www.sharonmoravian.info/giving-monetary) for these details.
9. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: "Moravian Voice" which has been moved to Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on the same station, 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.
- ✚ Over the past year, we conducted a review and have made changes in an effort to reach a wider audience.
- ✚ 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/](http://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](mailto:moravianvoice@gmail.com)



## PRAYER NEEDS:



1. **Our Shut-ins:** *Aileen Bowen, Royle Deane.*
2. **The Sick/Recovering:**
  - ✚ **Of our congregation:** *Sis. Ruth Bishop, Sis. Andilla Haynes, Sis. Marva Craigwell, Bro. Athelston Lawrence, Sis. Cynthia Eversley*
3. **The Bereaved:** *We express condolences and pray for Bro. Rudolph Best and family on the passing of his brother.*
4. **Our nation:** *for strength and deliverance as we continue to battle the COVID-19 Pandemic.*
5. **God's covering during the Hurricane Season**

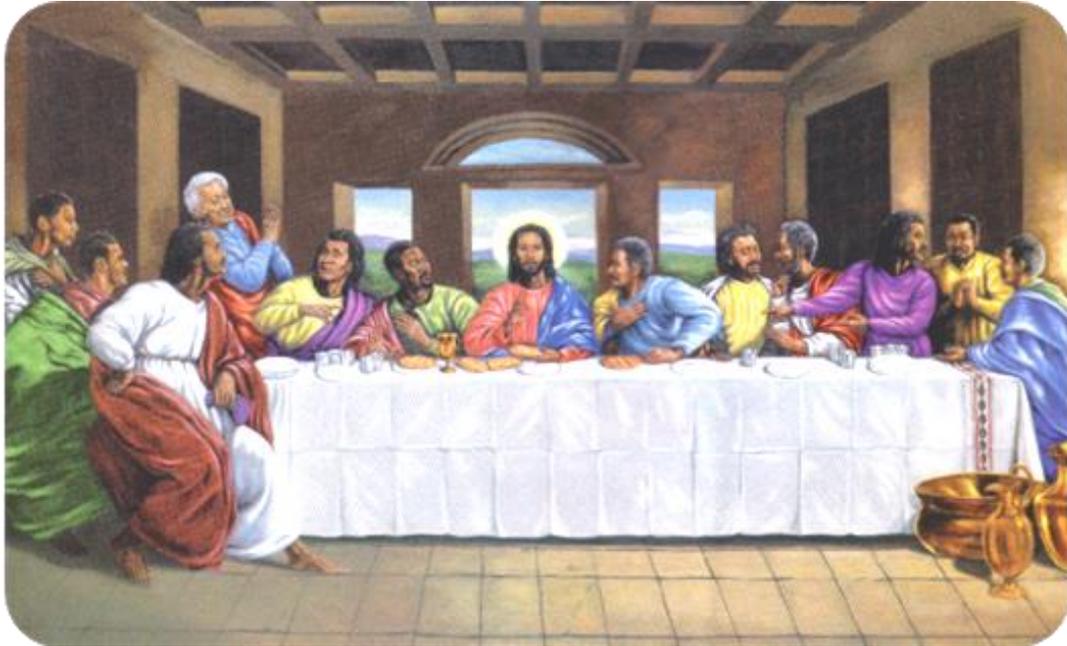
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### AVAILABLE:

- † **Moravian Daily Text 2022:** American Paperback Edition – \$25;  
American Large Print Paperback Edition – \$30
- † **Offering Envelopes for 2022** – 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
- † **Copies of Sunday sermons on CD** – \$2.00.
- † **Books:**
  - 📖 Rev. Neilson Waithe: Understanding the Caribbean Worker-  
\$25; Provocation– \$20.
  - 📖 Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts: Created in Their Image:  
Evangelical Protestantism in Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914 –  
\$50.
  - 📖 Rev. Dr. Joseph Nicholas: Baptism Is a Gift of God: As Such It Is  
More Than Water– \$35.
- † **Greeting Cards (\$2.00) and Prints (\$20.00) of a painting of Sharon Church.**





## NOTICE



UPON ENTERING  
PLEASE USE  
HAND SANITIZER  
HELP STOP THE  
SPREAD OF COVID-19

### **Protocol for Worship Services during the COVID-19 Pandemic – 2022**

In an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19 during our gatherings, the following is to be observed:

1. All attending shall sanitise their hands upon entering the church. Sanitisation stations have been set up at the entrances and exits.
2. Face masks are optional but recommended, given the singing and speaking that is engaged in during worship. Attendees are asked to be respectful of others in their choice to wear or not to wear a mask.
3. There shall be no physical contact between attendees.
4. There shall be a physical distance of at least three (3) feet between all attending except between members of the same household who may sit together; in which case, there shall be a distance of at least three (3) feet between one group and adjacent

groups or individuals.

5. Attendees shall be asked to deposit their offerings in fixed containers.
6. Bibles, hymnals, leaflets or other materials should only be shared by family members
7. The Lectern Bible has been removed and lesson readers shall be asked to use their own Bible.
8. Infant Baptism, Confirmation, and rites involving the laying on of hands or anointing have been adjusted to exclude contact between individuals.
9. Windows and doors shall be kept open to allow for ventilation.
10. Attendees shall be asked to maintain the recommended social distance when leaving the building.

