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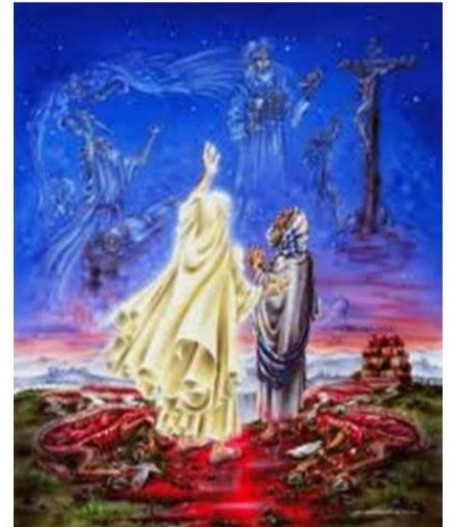
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"So the LORD said to him, 'Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon.'"

"Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half."

- Genesis 15:9,10



Sunday, March 13, 2022

Second Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m.

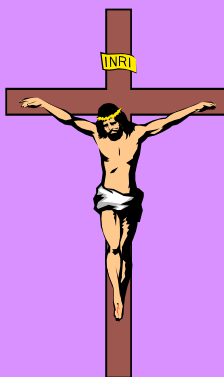
Welcome: With joy we give thanks for God's love and his grace extended towards us. Welcome to all who join us today, in the sanctuary and online, at home and abroad. May God's precious Holy Spirit be upon us. Welcome!

Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris

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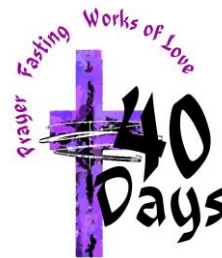
Associate Pastor:

Rev. Movelle Kellman



WATCHWORD: *The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?* (Psalm 27:1)

Provincial Theme 2022: "Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T."



ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude

Introit

Call to Worship: *The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?* Psalm 27:1

Opening Hymn: 96 – *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”*

Litany: Lent A p. 112 – CMP Liturgy Book

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Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

MINISTRY OF THE WORD:

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Choir Anthem – *“Jesus Gentle Lamb”*

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Hymn of Preparation: *“In Christ Alone My Hope Is Found”*

Sermon – – *Rev. Movelle Kellman*

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Hymn 359 – *“When Peace, Like A River”*

The Benediction

Organ Postlude



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Call to Worship: *The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? Psalm 27:1*



Opening Hymn: 96 –

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.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

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.



Lent A

All stand

Tune: DUKE STREET

Give to our God immortal praise;
Mercy and truth are all his ways:
Wonders of grace to God belong,
Repeat his mercies in your song.

He sent his Son with power to save
From guilt, from darkness, and the grave:
Wonders of grace to God belong,
Repeat his mercies in your song.

Isaac Watts (1674 – 1748)

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

Give unto us your peace.

Lord God, our Father in heaven, you have manifested your great love toward us, for you sent your Son into the world to atone for our sins.

We give you thanks, for you have enabled us to share in the inheritance that belongs to your people who live in the light.

God has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son;

Who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins.

Lord God, Son, the Saviour of the world, because God's children are human beings – made of flesh and blood – the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil.

Therefore, it was necessary for him to be made in every respect like us, his brothers and sisters, so that he could be our merciful and faithful High Priest before God. Then he could offer a sacrifice that would take away the sins of the people.

Minor Chant

(Or read responsively)

Thou wast despised and re | jected of | men; || a man of sorrows |and ac | quainted with | grief.

And we hid as it were our | faces | from thee; || thou was: despised, and | we es | teemed thee | not.

Surely thou hast | borne our | griefs; || and | — — | carried our | sorrows:

Yet we did es | teem thee | stricken, || smitten of | God and af | flicted.

But thou wast wounded for our transgressions, thou wast bruised for | our in | iquities: || the chastisement of our peace was upon thee; and | with thy | stripes | we are | healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to | his own | way; || and the Lord hath laid on thee the in | iquity | of us | all.

Lord God, Holy Spirit, you descended and dwelt upon the Son; you anointed him to bring Good News to the poor; to heal the broken-hearted; to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free and that the time of the LORD's favor has come.

In Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body.

Tune: WELLS

(Choir) Now with angels round the throne,
Cherubim and seraphim,
And the church which still is one,
Let us swell the solemn hymn:
Glory to the great I Am,
Glory to the slaughtered Lamb!

(All) Blessing, honour, glory, might,
And dominion infinite,
To the Father of our Lord,
To the Spirit and the Word;
As it was all worlds before,
Is, and shall be evermore.

Josiah Conder (1789 – 1855)

From the sin of unbelief,
From all defilement of the flesh and spirit,
From all self-righteousness,
From every neglect of our duty,
From ingratitude and selfishness,
From lukewarmness,
From all indifference to your meritorious life and death,

Deliver us, gracious Lord and God.

By your holy incarnation and birth;
Your early exile;
Your pure and blameless childhood;
Your willing obedience;
Your humility, meekness, and patience;
Your faithfulness in your earthly calling;
Your perfect life before God and humanity.

Help us, O Christ, to dedicate both soul and body to your service.

By your tears and agony, your crown of thorns and cross,

Lead us to repentance for our sins.

By your willing sacrifice of yourself even unto death:

Make known to us the mystery of your love.

All sit

Tune: STUTTGART

In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo, it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more lustre to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

John Bowring (1792 – 1872)

All stand

By all your sacred wounds and precious blood,
By your innocent suffering and dying,
By your rest in the grave,
By your glorious resurrection and ascension,

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

Tune: MARTYRDOM

Dear dying Lamb, thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

William Cowper (1731 – 1800)

Grant, O Lord, that we may abide in you, and walk worthy of God. As a result, we can show others the goodness of God, for he called us out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

O Lord, abide in us that we may abide in you.

Fulfill in us your prayer that all who love you may be one, as you are in the Father, and the Father in you.

Hear us, gracious Lord and God.

Tune: MEDIA VITA Pt. II

(Minister) Most Holy Lord and God, Holy, Almighty God,
(Choir) Holy and most merciful Saviour, Thou eternal God!
(All) Grant that we may never
Lose the comforts of thy death;
Have mercy, O Lord.

Moravian Liturgy 1808, anon.



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices



Adoration In Songs & Choruses



Prayer of Dedication of Offerings



Ministry of the Word

Scripture Reading: Genesis 15: 1 – 12

1. After these things the word of the Lord came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.
2. And Abram said, Lord God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?
3. And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.
4. And, behold, the word of the Lord came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.

5. And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.
6. And he believed in the Lord; and he counted it to him for righteousness.
7. And he said unto him, I am the Lord that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it.
8. And he said, Lord God, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?
9. And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.
10. And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.
11. And when the fowls came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.
12. And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.



Choir Anthem – ***“Jesus Gentle Lamb”***



Scripture Reading: Luke 13:31 – 35

31. The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee.
32. And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third day I shall be perfected.
33. Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the day following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem.
34. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not!
35. Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until the time come when ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Hymn of Preparation: *“In Christ Alone My Hope Is Found”*

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied –
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine –
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand:
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I’ll stand.



Sermon – – Rev. Movelle Kellman



Prayer of Commitment & Intercession



Hymn 359 –

When peace like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
“It is well, it is well, with my soul.”

*It is well with my soul;
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control:,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed his own blood for my soul.

My sin – oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.

For me, be it Christ, be it Christ hence to live!
If Jordan above me shall roll,
No pang shall be mine, for in death as in life
Thou wilt whisper Thy peace to my soul.

But, Lord, 'tis for Thee, for Thy coming we wait,
The sky, not the grave, is our goal;
Oh, trump of the angel! Oh, voice of the Lord!
Blessèd hope, blessèd rest of my soul!

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so – it is well with my soul.



The Benediction



Organ Postlude



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

With joy we give thanks for God's love and his grace extended towards us. Welcome to all who join us today, in the sanctuary and online, at home and abroad. May God's precious Holy Spirit be upon us. Welcome!



Advanced: Joyce Kellman (15th), Eric Husbands (16th), Richard Prescod (18th), Rudolph Best & Sheila Foster-Clarke (19th)

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.

✠ 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: Bible Study – 6:00 p.m. online via Zoom. Meeting ID: 861 4335 8604 / Passcode: 244093

✠ Friday: Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

✠ Next Sunday: THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION SUNDAY

✠ Divine Worship & the Blessing of an infant – 9:30 a.m.

† Online Sunday School – Juniors (15yrs and under) at 11:00 a.m. and Seniors (16yrs and over) at 2:30 p.m. The facility is Google Meet and those who desire to join should email the Sunday School Superintendent at valeacock@gmail.com.

In the Month of March 2022:

- † Harvest Festival at Grace Hill – Sunday 13th
- † Harvest Festival at Mount Tabor – Sunday 20th
- † Theological Education Sunday – 20th
- † Harvest Festival at Penuel – Sunday 27th
- † Election of Synod Delegates – Sunday 27th



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

1. As we prepare for the upcoming 33rd Provincial Synod to be held in July, the Barbados Conference will be electing its Lay Delegates on Sunday, March 27, during the morning service. All communicant members are eligible to vote.
2. On Easter Monday we will hold a fund-raiser here at Sharon. We are calling it, **EASTER FOOD SALE** and we want it to be a whole-church effort. We look forward to the same sort of support you have given over the years for our Fish Fry, so as to make this a success. Mark the date on your calendar.
3. 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.
4. If you intend to claim on donations made to the Moravian Church when filing for your 2021 income tax return, please request via the Sharon Church Office that a statement be made to the Barbados Revenue Authority on your behalf. You will need to provide your new Tax Identification Number (TIN).
5. On Tuesday, March 1st, the Board of Stewards met and elected an Executive as follows: Chairman – Sis Margaret Best; Vice-Chairman – Sis. Sylvia Arthur-Hurdle; Secretary – Sis. Evelina King-Harper; Treasurer – Sis Patricia Brathwaite-Marshall; Asst. Secretary – Sis Orrin Williams; Asst. Treasurer – Sis Jennifer Clarke.
6. On Thursday, March 3rd, the Board of Elders met and elected executive members as follows: Vice-Chairman – Sis Carmel Downes; Secretary – Sis Angelus Hurdle.
7. The Eastern West Indies Province will participate in the Unity Prayer Watch from Midnight, April 03 – Midnight, April 17, 2022.

- † Sharon and Dunscombe have been given responsibility for Tuesday April 12, 10.00 a.m. – 12:00 Midnight [14hrs]. A form has been prepared, dividing the time into half-hour slots and you are asked to take responsibility for a half of an hour, singularly or joining with another, to keep the watch going. Please call one of the pastors to sign-up.
 - † This prayer meeting began on August 13, 1727 when the Moravian Church had its Pentecost experience. The Spirit of God ignited a passion for prayer that gave birth to a prayer meeting that lasted for 100 unbroken years. Let us keep that passion alive as we seek the face of God for direction for the Church, the world, and our lives.
8. The Provincial Board makes the following announcements:
- † For the season of Lent, there will be three Lenten reflections held around the theme of Repentance, Reconciliation, and Renewal. These sessions will be led by Bishop Dr. Conrad Spencer to be held on March 7 and 21, and April 4 at 7:00 p.m. nightly. Let us use these sessions to help us look in, look around, and look to Jesus so that we can become the healed and healing community of disciples Jesus calls us to be. The zoom link will be provided in time for all to participate.
 - † Sunday March 20, 2022 is Theological Education Sunday.
 - † Our focus on this Sunday is the call of God for people to dedicate themselves to gospel ministry. Jesus continues to call his disciples to follow him to serve the kingdom. Are you among the called?
 - † Special prayers are also requested for our Warden/Tutor at the United Theological College of the West Indies (UTCWI), Rev. Neilson Waithe.
 - † If you sense God calling you to deeper service, continue praying about it and talk with your pastor or a mature Christian as to how you might respond to the prompting of God. The call to ministry has many facets. It may be within your congregation or in the Conference. It may be as a Missionary, in some Specialized Ministry, or at the Pastoral level. Be open for where the Holy Spirit is leading.
 - † Last year you gave EC\$9,158 towards theological education. The Province spent about EC\$29,000. On March 20, 2022, a special offering will be received for theological education. Please give as the Lord provides.
9. 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.
10. Our Steelpan Ministry has resumed. Those who are interested should contact Sis Kristina Carter.

11. We are thankful for the financial support we have been receiving thus far, particularly in the light of the economic impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic. We are mindful that some of you may be facing reduced or lost income due to this crisis.

✝ We are challenged however, in maintaining our ministry, our facilities and paying property insurance. So we ask for your continued faithfulness in giving as you are able.

✝ Those who attend worship in the sanctuary are reminded that offerings are deposited in the baskets on entry.

✝ 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 for these details.

12. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: “Moravian Voice” on LIFE 97.5 FM, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.



PRAYER NEEDS:



1. **Our Shut-ins:** *Daphne Bispham, Aileen Bowen, Royle Deane, Sydney Gibson, Muriel Moore, Carol St. John.*

2. **The Sick/Recovering:**

✝ *Of our congregation:* *Sis. Ruth Bishop, Sis. Andilla Haynes, Sis. Margaret Haynes, Bro. Ryan Hinds.*

3. **The Bereaved:** *We express condolences to and pray for:*

✝ *Sis. Justina Lowe and Sis Cynthia Walrond and their family on the passing of their sister, Grace Woodroffe;*

✝ *Sis. Debbie Greaves and family on the passing of her brother, Earl Graham.*

✝ *Sis Joan Taylor on the passing of her husband, George Taylor. A service of Thanksgiving for his life will be held here in Barbados on March 29, 2022.*

4. Our nation, for strength and deliverance as we continue to battle the COVID-19 Pandemic.



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.**

† **Missionary Collection Boxes 2022 – 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: 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.**



Circular from the Chairman of PEC

To: All Members of Staff/Congregations
From: Rev. Algernon Lewis, Chairman of PEC
Subject: 33rd Provincial Synod
Date: January 7, 2022

FOR ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

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

The Provincial Board has set the date for the 33rd Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province for July 18-22, 2022. Living within this period of uncertainty necessitates that Synod be held using a hybrid/virtual model.

Mindful of the local pandemic protocols, each Conference in the Province is asked to prepare for the event by doing the following:

1. Elect Synod delegate(s) accordance to the provisions of the Book of Order paragraph 5.4.4.7
2. Submit the names of all delegates by March 31, 2022.
3. Prepare all reports for submission to the Provincial Office by April 29, 2022.
4. Prepare and submit to the Provincial Office all proposals to be considered at the 33rd Provincial Synod by April 15, 2022.

Information will be circulated later with pre-synod processes and procedures.

The Provincial Board has appointed Rev. Adelyn Mgonela to serve as the Synod Chaplain. The Rev. Dr. Jeremy Francis has been appointed Chairman of Synod. The Rev. Onita Samuel-Warner has been appointed Secretary of Synod.

One of the businesses of 33rd Provincial Synod is to approve the updated Book of Order 2020. This document has been circulated to Pastors for onward circulation to members for reflection, discussion, and amendments where needed. Please take time to review this document that governs our operations and share your feedback.

Making the SHIFT for the 33rd Provincial Synod means that we must reimagine Synod. The presentation of reports, Committee meetings, worship, elections, and participation of delegates and observers will be adjusted to suit the virtual platform. We have the benefit of learning from others who have gone this way before us.

Please add the 33rd Provincial Synod to your prayer list that God's will be done among us.





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 keeping with the directive given by the Prime Minister of Barbados:

1. Sanitisation stations shall be set up at the entrances and exits which shall be manned by ushers.
2. All attending shall sanitise their hands upon entering the church.
3. The names of all who attend service shall be recorded.
4. The temperature of each worshipper and minister shall be taken before entering the church, using a contactless thermometer;
 - ✦ persons whose temperature exceed 37.5° C shall not be allowed to enter the church;
 - ✦ persons who are coughing repeatedly, sneezing or exhibit any flu-like symptoms shall not be allowed to enter the church.
5. Face masks shall be worn throughout the service by all persons present in the church. Worship Leaders may remove their masks temporarily to fulfil their roles, provided that there is at least six (6) feet between leaders, and between leaders and congregants.
6. There shall be no physical contact between attendees.
7. 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.
8. Attendees shall be asked to deposit their offerings in fixed containers.
9. No hymnals, Bibles, leaflets or other materials shall be distributed to worshippers;
 - ✦ Bibles, hymnals etc. should only be shared by family members;
 - ✦ The Lectern Bible shall also be removed and lesson readers shall be asked to use their own Bible.
10. Infant Baptism, Confirmation, and rites involving the laying on of hands or anointing have been suspended for the time being.
11. Windows and doors shall be kept open to allow for ventilation.
12. Attendees shall be asked to maintain the recommended social distance when leaving the building.
13. There shall be no congregating of worshippers inside or outside of the church, before or after service.



