



## SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, March 27, 2022**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**9:30 a.m.**

*Welcome: Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise, be thankful unto him and bless his name. Welcome to all who join us, in the sanctuary and online, at home and abroad. We open our hearts today to the love and warmth of God our Saviour. Welcome!*

*Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris*

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*Associate Pastor:*

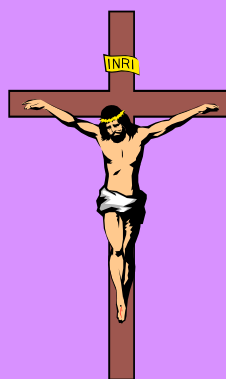
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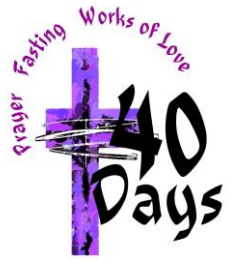
**WATCHWORD:** If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!  
*(2 Corinthians 5:17)*

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

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

*Focus & Function; Total Transformation*





## ORDER OF SERVICE

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Organ Prelude

Introit

Call to Worship (Psalm 47:1 – 2)

Leader: *Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph!*

Congregation: *For the LORD Most High is awesome; He is a great King over all the earth.*

Opening Hymn 341 – *“Praise God! Praise God With Singing”*

Responsive Reading – Psalm 32

Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving

Hymn 220 – *“And Can It Be”* (Requested)

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

- Election of Delegates to 33<sup>rd</sup> Provincial Synod

Adoration in Songs & Choruses

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

MINISTRY OF THE WORD:

Scripture Reading: Luke 15:1 – 3, 11 – 32

Choir Anthem – *“Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross”*

Sermon – *Rev. Ezra Parris*

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Hymn 326 – *“O For A Heart To Praise My God”*

The Benediction

Organ Postlude



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# Lent



**Call to Worship (Psalm 47:1 – 2):**

**Leader:** *Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph!*

**Congregation:** *For the LORD Most High is awesome; He is a great King over all the earth.*



**Opening Hymn: 341 –**

Praise God! Praise God with singing,  
Rejoice thou Christian flock!  
Fear not though foes are bringing  
Their hosts against thy rock;  
For though they here assail thee,  
And seek thy very life,  
Let not thy courage fail thee;  
Thy God shall turn the strife.

O be not thou dismayèd  
Believing little band;  
God, in his might arrayèd  
To help thee is at hand.  
Upon his palms engraven  
Thy name is ever found;  
He knows, who dwells in heaven,  
The ills that thee surround.

His purpose stands unshaken –  
What he hath said he'll do;  
And, when by all forsaken,  
His Church he will renew.  
With pity he beholds her,  
E'en in her time of woe;  
Still by his word upholds her,  
And makes her thrive and grow.

To him belong our praises,  
Who still abides our Lord,  
Bestowing gifts and graces,

According to his word;  
Nor will he e'er forsake us,  
But will our guardian be,  
And ever stable make us,  
In love and unity.



## Responsive Reading – Psalm 32

1. Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
2. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.
3. When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.
4. For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. *Selah.*
5. I acknowledge my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. *Selah.*
6. For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.
7. Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. *Selah.*
8. I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.
9. Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.
10. Many sorrows shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the Lord, mercy shall compass him about.
11. Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.



## Prayer of Adoration, Confession & Thanksgiving



### Hymn 220 – (*Requested*)

And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Saviour's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain –  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be,  
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies:  
Who can explore His strange design?  
In vain the firstborn seraph tries  
To sound the depths of love divine.  
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,  
Let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above –  
So free, so infinite His grace –  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race:  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For O my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray –  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.



## Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

- ▶ Election of Delegates to 33<sup>rd</sup> Provincial Synod



## Adoration In Songs & Choruses



## Prayer of Dedication of Offerings



## Ministry of the Word

### Scripture Reading: Luke 15:1 – 3, 11 – 32

1. Then drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.
2. And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them.
3. And he spake this parable unto them, saying,
  11. And he said, A certain man had two sons:
  12. And the younger of them said to his father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me. And he divided unto them his living.
  13. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.
  14. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.
  15. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.
  16. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.
  17. And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!
  18. I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

19. And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.
20. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.
21. And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.
22. But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet:
23. And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it; and let us eat, and be merry:
24. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.
25. Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing.
26. And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.
27. And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.
28. And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.
29. And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:
30. But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.
31. And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.
32. It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.



**Choir Anthem** – ***“Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross”***



**Sermon – – *Rev. Ezra Parris***



**Prayer of Commitment & Intercession**



**Closing Hymn: 326 –**

O for a heart to praise my God,  
A heart from sin set free,  
A heart that's sprinkled with the blood  
So freely shed for me.

A heart resigned, submissive, meek,  
My great Redeemer's throne,  
Where only Christ is heard to speak,  
Where Jesus reigns alone.

A humble, lowly, contrite, heart,  
Believing, true and clean,  
Which neither life nor death can part  
From him who dwells within.

A heart in every thought renewed  
And full of love divine,  
Perfect and right and pure and good,  
A copy, Lord, of thine.

Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart;  
Come quickly from above;  
Write thy new name upon my heart,  
Thy new, best name of love.



**The Benediction**



**Organ Postlude**





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*Belated: Marva Gibbons (20<sup>th</sup>)*

*Today: Maudrie Holder, Antoinette Pilgrim-Moaze & Mario Turton*

*Advanced: Daleshia Miller & Donna Moore (28<sup>th</sup>), Patricia Layne (29<sup>th</sup>), Gwendolyn Oke, Krifnaly Padmore & Yvette Taitt (30<sup>th</sup>), Cheryl-Ann Greenidge & Muriel Todd (31<sup>st</sup>), Keiana Maynard (April 2<sup>nd</sup>)*



*Congratulations to Bro. Frank & Sis. Sheila Small who will celebrate their 49<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on March 31, 2022.*



*Flowers today have been donated in memory of the late Michael Lewis who would have celebrated his eightieth (80<sup>th</sup>) birthday on March 28, 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 at 9:30 a.m.
  - ✠ Sunday School (Seniors) – 9:30 a.m. at the D. C. Moore Centre
  - ✠ Online Sunday School (Juniors: 15yrs and under) – 11:00 a.m. The facility is Google Meet and those who desire to join should email the Sunday School Superintendent at [valeacock@gmail.com](mailto:valeacock@gmail.com).
- ✠ 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. *We have started a new study on being Peacemakers.* Meeting ID: 861 4335 8604 / Passcode: 244093
- ✠ Thursday: Meeting of the Board of Elders at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.
- ✠ Friday: Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.
- ✠ Next Sunday: Divine Worship & Holy Communion – 9:30 a.m.
  - ✠ Sunday School (Seniors) – 9:30 a.m. at the D. C. Moore Centre
  - ✠ 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](mailto:valeacock@gmail.com).



### In the Month of April 2022:

- ✠ Centenary Harvest Sale – Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00 a.m.
- ✠ Touch & Go – Juniors: Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3:00 p.m. / Intermediates (9-12 yrs.): Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 p.m. / Seniors (13 yrs. & Over): Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 p.m.
- ✠ Harvest Festival at Faith (Six Roads) – Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m.
- ✠ Webinar on Gender Based Violence (Part 2) – 8<sup>th</sup>. Hosted by Bethlehem & Faith.
- ✠ Holy Week Services – Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>

Activity	Date	Congregation	Time
Psalm Sunday - PM	April 10	Sharon/Dunscombe	5.00 p.m.
Monday	April 11	Mount Tabor/Penuel	7.30 p.m.
Tuesday	April 12	Clifton Hill/Centenary	7.30 p.m.

Wednesday	April 13	Bethlehem/Faith	7.30 p.m.
Thursday	April 14	Calvary/Gracehill/Fulnec	7.30 p.m.
Good Friday	April 15	Worship in Congregations	

- † Unity Prayer Watch (Sharon & Dunscombe) – Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup>, 10.00 a.m. – 12:00 Midnight [14hrs].
- † Good Friday – 15<sup>th</sup>
- † Resurrection / Easter Sunday – 17<sup>th</sup>
- † Easter Food Sale – Easter Monday, 18<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the D. C. Moore Centre.
- † Youth Convention: Royal Praise Worship Celebration – Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. at Calvary Moravian Church. Preacher: Rev. Liselle Roberts of the Tobago Conference.

The Barbados Moravian Youth Council  
PRESENTS

# Royal PRAISE

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Casual Sunday!  
Wear Purple!

GUEST PREACHER  
Rev. Liselle Roberts  
Tobago Conference

SUNDAY 24TH APRIL 2022  
10 AM

CALVARY MORAVIAN CHURCH  
ROEBUCK STREET ST MICHAEL BARBADOS

YouTube LIVE

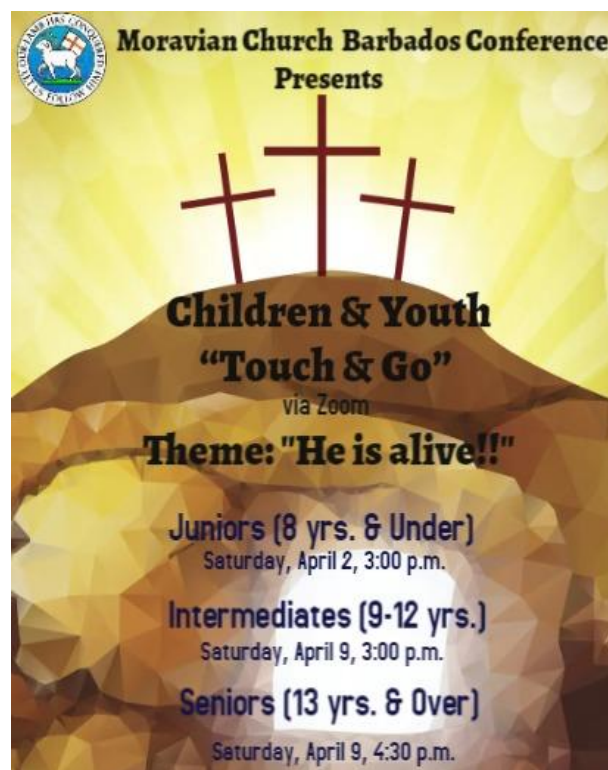
A SPECIAL PRIZE WILL BE GIVEN TO THE YOUNG PERSON  
WHO INVITES THE MOST NON-MORAVIAN FRIENDS.

† Conference at Prayer – Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup>, online via Zoom.



## NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

1. As we prepare for the upcoming 33<sup>rd</sup> 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. 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.
3. 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.
4. The Moravian Church Barbados Conference is holding another series of youth activities entitled "Touch and Go" via Zoom:
  - † Juniors (8 yrs. & Under) – Saturday, April 3, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.
  - † Intermediates (9-12 yrs.) – Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.
  - † Seniors (13 yrs. & Over) – Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.
  - † Come, share and explore under the theme: "*He Is Alive!*"



5. 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.

✠ We can pray for: The Worldwide Moravian Church; The Financial Position in of the Barbados Conference; Provincial Synod; The Leadership in our Congregation; That God would raise up men & women for full time ministry; Youth & Young Adults in the Conference; World Peace; The Growth of the Church; A closer walk with God.

✠ 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.

6. Our membership is divided into districts and our Elders are given responsibility for these districts as follows:

No.	DISTRICT	ELDER
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.	Sis. Shirley Cadogan
3	Lower Jackson, 1 <sup>st</sup> 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. Grace Sandiford Sis. Angelus Hurdle
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.	Sis Diana Boyce

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

7. 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. Interested persons should contact Sis Kristina Carter.
8. Our Steelpan Ministry has resumed. Those who are interested should contact Sis Kristina Carter.
9. 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](http://www.sharonmoravian.info/giving-monetary) for these details.
10. 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, Muriel Moore, Carol St. John.*
2. **The Sick/Recovering:**
  - † **Of our congregation:** *Sis. Ruth Bishop, Sis. Andilla Haynes, Sis. Margaret Haynes, Bro. Ryan Hinds, Sis. Marva Craigwell*
3. **The Bereaved:** *We express condolences to and pray for:*
  - † *Sis. Joan Taylor on the passing of her husband, George Taylor. A service of Thanksgiving for his life will be held here at Sharon on Tuesday March 29, 2022 commencing at 2:00 p.m.*
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 33<sup>rd</sup> 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.

