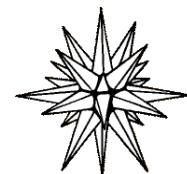




# SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent

## INDEPENDENCE DAY

9:30 a.m.

*Welcome: A warm welcome is extended to you today – whether you are here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad – on this First Sunday of Advent as we celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ the Light and Saviour of the World. Today we also celebrate the 59th Anniversary of our coming to independence as a nation; and the 4th Anniversary of being established as a Republic. Welcome.*

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**WATCHWORD:** *Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!*

*(Isaiah 2:5)*

**Provincial Theme 2025:**

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



# ORDER OF SERVICE



Prelude

Introit – Choir

Call to Worship: (Liturgy: The First Sunday in Advent, p.83 – CMP Liturgy Book)

Leader: Sing, O Heaven, and be joyful, O Earth, for the majesty and splendour of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together just as God has said.

Congregation: *Rejoice greatly! Celebrate, Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See your King comes to you, righteous and victorious.*

Opening Hymn: 333 – “Walk In The Light: And Thou Shalt Own”

Let us pray: Liturgy continues (p.84)

Worship in Tithes & Offerings **(Including Pension Fund)**

Offertory Sentence: *I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.” – Psalm 122:1*

Offertory Hymn: 731 – “Lift Every Voice And Sing”

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

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

Greetings, Celebrations & Notices

Adoration in Song

✙ “Great is thy faithfulness”

✙ “Shine Jesus Shine”

✙ “Light of the World”

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 2:1 – 5

Second Scripture Reading: Romans 13:11 – 14

Choir Anthem – “Light A Single Candle”

Message – Rev. David Ince

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Hymn of Proclamation – “Jesus, the Light of the World”

National Anthem

Benediction



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### Opening Hymn: 333 –

Walk in the light: and thou shalt own  
Thy darkness passed away,  
Because that light hath on thee shone  
In which is perfect day.

Walk in the light: and thou shalt find  
Thy heart made truly his  
Who dwells in cloudless light enshrined,  
In whom no darkness is.

Walk in the light: and thou shalt know  
That fellowship of love  
His Spirit only can bestow  
Who reigns in light above.

Walk in the light: and e'en the tomb  
No fearful shade shall wear;  
Glory shall chase away its gloom,  
For Christ hath conquered there.

Walk in the light: and thine shall be  
A path, though thorny, bright;  
For God, by grace, shall dwell in thee,  
And God himself is light.



# THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*All standing*

## Let us pray

O God, you promised that your majesty and splendour should be revealed and that all flesh should see it together; stir up our hearts we implore you, to prepare the way of your one and only Son, and pour out upon us your loving kindness, that we who are afflicted because of our sins may be made whole by the coming of our Saviour. Help us to rejoice in his advent as we see his glory and receive his blessing, who lives and reigns as one, world without end. *Amen.*

Praise to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come and set his people free.

*He has sent us a mighty Saviour from the royal line of David his servant;  
just as he promised through his holy prophets of long ago:*

To show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant, the oath he swore to our father Abraham.

*To rescue us from the hand of our enemies, so we can serve him without  
fear in holiness and righteousness before him as long as we live.*

And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him;

*To give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of  
their sins,*

Through the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will break in upon us.

*To shine on those sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death, then show  
us the way, one step at a time, down the path of peace.*

Tune: ELLACOMBE – # 261

O how shall I receive thee,  
How greet you, Lord aright?  
All nations long to see thee,  
My hope, my heart's delight.  
O kindle, Lord, most holy,  
Thy lamp within my breast,  
To do in spirit lowly  
All that may please thee best.

Thy Zion palms is strewing  
And branches fresh and fair;  
My heart, its powers renewing,  
An anthem shall prepare.

**My soul puts off her sadness,  
Thy glories to proclaim;  
With all her strength and gladness,  
She fain would serve thy name.**

*All standing*

A voice of one calling in the wilderness: “Prepare for God’s arrival! Make the road straight and smooth, a highway fit for our God.

***“Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.***

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; mercy and truth go before you.

***Blessed are those who have learned to praise you, who walk in the light of your presence, LORD.***

He won’t brush aside the bruised and the hurt and he won’t disregard the small and insignificant, but he’ll steadily and firmly set things right. Say to those with fearful hearts, “Be strong, do not fear; your God will come to save you.

***Like a shepherd, he will care for his flock, gathering the lambs in his arms, hugging them as he carries them.***

### **The HOSANNA ANTHEM (Matt. 21.9)**

- B. HOSANNA, blessed is he that | comes!  
G. | Hosanna,  
blessed is he that | comes!  
B. | Hosanna,  
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B. Blessed is he that | comes!  
G. | Blessed is he | that comes!  
B | he that  
comes in the Name | of the Lord!  
G. | He that comes in the Name of the Lord!  
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G. Hosanna, blessed is he that comes!  
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 B. Hosanna in the highest.

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Praise the Lord for he is good, and his mercy endures for ever.

***God's mercy endures for ever.***

Grace and peace be to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

***The God of all grace, who called us to his eternal glory in Christ; restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.***

To him be the splendour and power for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Tune: REGENT'S SQUARE – # 113**

**(All) Praise to you, O Lord we render,  
 For your love in Jesus shown;  
 May that love, so strong and tender,  
 Bind us fast to him alone,**

**(Choir) *Now and ever,***

**(All) Now and ever,  
 Gather us among your own.**



## **Worship in Tithes & Offerings (Including Pension Fund)**

**Offertory Sentence:** *I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.” – Psalm 122:1*

## **Offertory Hymn: 731 –**

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,  
                               Ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
 Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,  
                               Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet,  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered;  
Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
Thou Who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou Who hast by Thy might, led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee.  
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee.  
Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand,  
True to our God, true to our native land.



## Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings



### Offertory Doxology:

**Thanks, thanks, I give you thanks**

*Thanks, thanks, I give you thanks*

*For all you've done*

*I am so blessed, my soul is at rest*

*O Lord, I give you thanks.*



## Greetings, Celebrations & Notices





## Adoration in Song

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Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not,  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness: Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided,  
“Great is Thy faithfulness”, Lord unto me!*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness,  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!



### Shine Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of Your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining  
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth You now bring us  
Shine on me, shine on me

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light*

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence  
From the shadows into Your radiance  
By the blood, I may enter Your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me, shine on me



As we gaze on Your kingly brightness  
So our faces display Your likeness  
Ever changing from glory to glory  
Mirrored here, may our lives tell Your story  
Shine on me, shine on me

*[Chorus] x 2*

***[Outro]***

*Lord, let there be light!  
Let there be light!*



### **Light of the world**

Light of the world  
You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes and let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

*Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
Altogether lovely, altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me*

King of all days, oh so highly exalted  
You're glorious in heaven above, yes You are  
Humbly You came to this Earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

***[Bridge]***

*I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin up on that cross  
I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin up on that cross*

*[Chorus] x 2*

***[Outro]***

*Wonderful to me, You're wonderful to me  
You're lovely and You are worthy  
Say, say wonderful, wonderful*

*Here I am to worship  
Here I am to worship  
Here I am to worship  
Here I am to worship*



## **Ministry of the Word**

### **First Scripture Reading – Isaiah 2: 1 – 5**

1. The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
2. And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.
3. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
4. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.
5. O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.



### **Second Scripture Reading – Romans 13: 11 – 14**

11. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.
12. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.
13. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.
14. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.



## Choir Anthem – “*Light A Single Candle*”



## Message – *Rev. David Ince*



## Prayer of Commitment & Intercession



## Hymn of Proclamation –

### **Jesus, the Light of the World**

All ye saints of light proclaim,  
Jesus, the Light of the world;  
Life and mercy in His name,  
Jesus, the Light of the world.

*We'll walk in the light, beautiful light,  
Come where the dew-drops of mercy are bright;  
Shine all around us by day and by night,  
Jesus, the Light of the world.*

Hear the Saviour's earnest call,  
Jesus, the Light of the world;  
Send the gospel truth to all,  
Jesus, the Light of the world.

Why not seek Him then today,  
Jesus, the Light of the world;  
Go with truth the narrow way,  
Jesus, the Light of the world.

Come, confess Him as your king,  
Jesus, the Light of the world;  
Then the bells of heav'n will ring,  
Jesus, the Light of the world.



## The Benediction



## The National Anthem



## Organ Postlude



## Greetings & Celebrations

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Today: Ricardo Carter & Ismay Straker

Advanced: Annie Harris (1<sup>st</sup>), Patricia Brathwaite-Marshall, Daniel Jackman & Kaylah Watts (4<sup>th</sup>), Mia Best & Carlos Depeiza (5<sup>th</sup>), Terry Applewhaite, Shirley Blackman, Seward Francis & Lorraine Holder (6<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: **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT & INDEPENDENCE DAY**

- ✠ Divine Worship & Testimony Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
- ✠ Adventures in Worship (All ages) – 9:45 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre
- ✠ Rededication of the Dunscombe Sanctuary at 4:00 p.m. The bus leaves at 3:20 p.m.

## THIS WEEK

Office Hours for the Pastorate: Tuesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. (D. C. Moore Centre).

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- ✝ 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.
- ✝ 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: Divine Worship & Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.
  - ✝ Adventures in Worship (All ages) – 9:45 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre.
  - ✝ Moramus Singers Christingle at Mount Tabor at 5:00 p.m. Admission – \$25.00.



### **Activities in the Month of December 2025:**

- ✝ Provincial Day of Prayer – 1<sup>st</sup>, 13 Hours – beginning 5:00 a.m. Meeting ID: 891 6748 8284 | Passcode: 934808.
- ✝ Christingle 2025 – Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at Mount Tabor, St. John. Admission – \$25.00.
- ✝ Joint Board Planning Meeting – Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup>, in sanctuary at 6:00 p.m.
- ✝ Moravian FEST 260 – Unplug & Play – 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Lester Vaughan School. An evening of fun, games and fellowship for ages 13 – 40 yrs. Wear your congregation's colour.
- ✝ Meeting of Island Conference – Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the D. C. Moore Centre.
- ✝ Service of Nine Lessons and Carols – Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup>
- ✝ Worship on Christmas Day – Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 a.m.
- ✝ Watch-Night Service – Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup>, 10:30 p.m.



### **NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS**

1. Thanks to all who supported the Purple Sunday, last week. Here at Sharon we raised \$1,015.
2. Provincial Prayer Day, December 1, 2025. A Period of Fasting as we focus on Thanksgiving – Thanking God for answered prayers over the year 2025 and making declarations over 2026. The Order:

**5:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. LIQUID FAST**

- ✝ 5:00 – 6:00 a.m. Led by the Antiguan Conference of the Moravian Church
- ✝ 6:00 – 7:00 a.m. Period of Thanksgiving – The Brownes
- ✝ 7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Devotions by a Conference – Tobago
- ✝ 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Songs of praise and Thanks

✚ 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Devotions by a Conference – Trinidad
✚ 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Moments of Declaration
✚ 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Songs of Praise and Worship
✚ 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Devotions by a Conference – St. Kitts
✚ 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Testimonies of the faithfulness of God for 2025
✚ 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.	Devotions led by the Geneva Fellowship
✚ 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Devotions by a Conference – Virgin Islands
✚ 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Songs of Praise and Worship
✚ 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Devotions by a Conference and Closing – Barbados

3. We express thanks to all who supported Missionary Festival 2025. So far, we have raised \$16,084.40 which exceeds our target of \$13,000. However, we do not stop our ingathering until the end of our financial year and we will receive contributions until then. You can make contributions in envelopes marked “Missions” or by direct deposit to our bank account. Funds raised will go towards local missions, and to missionary endeavours across the region and the world through the various mission organisations of the Moravian Church.
4. From the Superintendent re the Provincial Pension Plan:
  - 4.1. The Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province has launched an appeal to heal the pension plan for Ministers of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province.
  - 4.2. At the 34th Provincial Synod recently held in Trinidad in July 2025, delegates received an update on the serious condition of the Pension Plan. The PEC informed that “some pastors, having given over forty years of service, now face uncertainty about receiving a pension. Additionally, three of our pastors currently receive less than 50% of the pension due to them. Another six pastors have reached retirement age and are awaiting a response from the insurance company. This predicament leaves them not knowing if they will have any income for retirement. As a Church, we agree that all our ministers should retire with dignity and have the means to live in today’s economy.”
  - 4.3. By way of this appeal, we hope to bring relief to those currently receiving less than their due pension and to reduce the deficit of the Provincial Pension Plan.
  - 4.4. For this year, 2025, we are appealing to you make a contribution of \$100 on November 30, 2025. Special envelopes are available and you can simply use your own envelope, marked “My Pension Contribution.” Those who give to their congregation electronically can also give by that means, making sure to indicate by note or email the amount to be directed towards pensions.

- 4.5. The appeal will continue in 2026 and will be maintained over a seven-year period, the proposal being a monthly \$10 donation or \$120 annually.
- 4.6. Thank you for your assistance and your ongoing focused prayer regarding this matter.
- 5. From the Provincial Board:
  - 5.1. Hurricane Melissa:
    - 5.1.1. The images of the devastation caused by Hurricane Melissa in Jamaica and across several of our Caribbean neighbours are truly heartbreaking. Our support for the Jamaica Province is already underway. Rev. Neilson Waithe is currently in Jamaica providing counselling and logistical assistance.
    - 5.1.2. The Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province is actively exploring additional ways to assist our sisters and brothers during this difficult time. Their needs will be many as they begin the long process of rebuilding their lives. While we await a detailed assessment of the specific items required, we can already offer meaningful help through financial gifts.
    - 5.1.3. As you are able and as the Holy Spirit leads, you may contribute through your congregation or Conference. All funds received will be forwarded directly to the Jamaica Province to aid in the recovery effort. Monetary gifts of any size are deeply appreciated. Your generosity will serve as a tangible reminder to our Moravian siblings that they are not alone – we stand with them.
    - 5.1.4. Let us continue to lift our brothers and sisters in prayer as they navigate this season of loss and rebuilding.
  - 5.2. The Provincial Board invites the prayers of the Province for the Grenada Mission. As they continue to minister faithfully in Mount Tranquil, Grenada, they are without the immediate presence of a Pastor. For the next two Sundays, Bro. Daniel Mark will be there to provide pastoral leadership and presence. Sis. Adelyn Mgonela from the St. Kitts Conference will do the same for the following Sunday. There will be a similar arrangement next month providing pastoral leadership and presence. As you pray, please also listen for God's call on how you may support the Grenada Mission with your presence or your resources.
- 6. From the Moravian Church Barbados Conference 260th Anniversary Committee:





## 7. Our Board of Elders has been assigned to Districts as follows:

No.	DISTRICT	ELDERS
1	Edgehill Rd., Near Sharon, Upper Jackson.	Sis. Ismay Straker
2	Cane Garden, Cane Garden Park, Cane Garden New Development, Cane Garden Crescent, Cane Garden Heights.	Bro. Anthony Ifill
3	Lower Jackson, 1 <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. Joseph, St. John, Christ Church, Brittons Hill.	Bro. Victor 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.	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. Brevitor.	Sis. Hazel Carter
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8. We have closed our year of celebrating 225 years since the laying of the cornerstone here at Sharon. One planned event remains outstanding, that is the Planting of a Time Capsule, which will be completed when all the items have been gathered.

8.1. We are still open to contributions under our “225 for 225” drive, in which we ask persons to donate \$225 or multiples of \$225 towards the continuing work of the church. You don’t have to give it all at once, you can fill the envelope over time and bring it in at your convenience. We look forward to your participation in our “225 for 225” drive. Envelopes are available for collection. For those who would give electronically can do so by direct deposit to our account at Scotiabank, Warrens – 40274. You can also give via SurePay at a walk-in kiosk or using your online account. Pay to: *Biller – The Moravian Church, Account No – 1765-1768-0000, Name – Sharon Moravian Church.* A specimen of the envelope is displayed below.



9. We have resumed the “Basket of Hope” ministry. Each Sunday you are invited to make contributions of non-perishable food items, which will be distributed to those in need. Contributions can be made during the offertory hymn. We are appealing for volunteers to provide the needed management and helping-hands for this ministry. Please let the Pastors know of your interest.

10. We are thankful for your financial support.

10.1. 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.

10.2. You are reminded that labelled envelopes can be dropped into the slot in the front door of the Manse.

10.3. 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.

11. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: “Moravian Voice” on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on Life 97.5 FM.

11.1. 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.

11.2. We invite you to tune in for inspiration and information to enable you in your Christian walk and service.

11.3. 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>).

11.4. You can email your comments and requests to: [moravianvoice@gmail.com](mailto:moravianvoice@gmail.com)



#### PRAYER NEEDS:



1. Our Shut-ins:

a. Sharon: *Sis. Aileen Bowen, Sis. Vernice Alberta Osbourne, Sis. Cynthia Walrond, Sis. Fraulene Headley.*

2. The Sick/Recovering: *Sis. Shanna King (USA), Sis. Brenda Herbert, Bro. Stephen Greaves*

3. The Bereaved: *We extend condolences to and pray for Sis. Sheila Foster-Clarke Bro. Edwin Sandiford and family on the passing of her brother, Leonard Foster.*

4. World Peace



#### AVAILABLE (Through 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.



### **Provincial Theme 2025:**

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

**The focus for 2025 will be: Re-igniting our passion; for souls, service, and sustainability.**

***“Broadly speaking, renewing identity speaks of who we are as Christ-followers; renewing our purpose speaks to why the church exists; re-igniting our passion speaks to our willingness to share our faith with others. — Chairman of PEC***



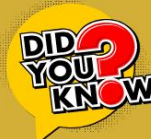
# CELEBRATE OUR HERITAGE & HONOUR OUR HISTORY



OCTOBER 2025 - SEPTEMBER 2026



## MONTH OF OCTOBER



- WEEK 1 - THE MISSIONARIES
- WEEK 2 - BUNKERS HILL
- WEEK 3 - CUSTOMS & PRACTICES
- WEEK 4 - EDUCATION

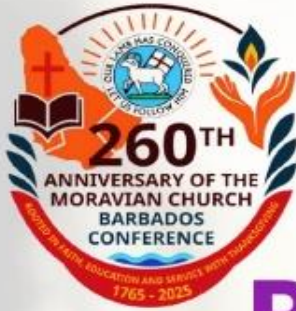
## MONTH OF FOCUS FOR EACH CONGREGATION

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| ❁ NOVEMBER - FAITH (2018)     | ❁ MAY - DUNSCOMBE (1860)      |
| ❁ DECEMBER - BETHLEHEM (1964) | ❁ JUNE - CLIFTON HILL (1841)  |
| ❁ JANUARY - PENUEL (1914)     | ❁ JULY - CALVARY (1834)       |
| ❁ FEBRUARY - FULNEC (1894)    | ❁ AUGUST - MOUNT TABOR (1825) |
| ❁ MARCH - GRACE HILL (1882)   | ❁ SEPTEMBER - SHARON (1768)   |
| ❁ APRIL - CENTENARY (1865)    |                               |

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# PURPLE SUNDAY

## DONATION - SUNDAY

Purple Sunday, your generosity helps build a stronger Moravian community – one brick, one meal, and one child at a time.



### Supporting Our Future – The Moravian Pre-School

Your donations will:

- Provide essential learning materials
- Provide suitable and safe furniture
- Support early childhood programs



### Finishing the Conference Kitchen – A Table for All

Your support will:

- Purchase the materials needed to complete the kitchen
- Equip the kitchen for meal preparation and gatherings
- Help us feed both congregation and community with love

**NOVEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> 2025**

**MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup> 2026**

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# Christingle

2025

featuring

***The Moramus Singers of  
Barbados***

**Hallelujah Dancers**

**Mount Tabor's Sunday School**

**Nerys Thorpe - Flautist**

**Sunday, 7th December, 2025**

**5:00 p.m.**

**at**

**Mount Tabor Moravian Church**

**St. John.**

**\$25.00**







CELEBRATING 260 YEARS

**Moravian FEST 260**

# UNPLUG AND PLAY



**06 PM**  
to **11 PM**

An evening of fun, games and fellowship

**AGE 13 YRS - 40 YRS**

Lester Vaughan School



**DEC**  
**12<sup>TH</sup>**  
**2025**