

SHARON MORAVIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Welcome: Today we declare, “Jesus is King,” as we celebrate his triumphant entry into Jerusalem as well as our hearts and our lives. Welcome to all, whether you are here in the sanctuary or online, at home or abroad. May God’s kingdom spread through our praises and the work of our hands. Welcome.

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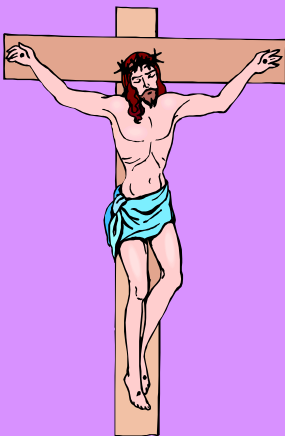
WATCHWORD: Let those who fear the Lord say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”
(Psalm 118:4)

Provincial Theme 2025:

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



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ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional Hymn: 103 – *“Ride on! Ride on! In Majesty”*

Invitation to Worship: (Ps. 118:1 – 2)

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

Congregation: Let Israel now say, “His mercy endures forever.”

Opening Hymn: 161 – *“O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing”*

The Litany for Palm Sunday (p. 123 – CMP Liturgy Book / Projected)

Worship in Tithes & Offerings **(Including Green Sunday Walk-up)**

Offertory Sentence: *“ . . . For the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.” – Romans 10:12 – 13*

Offertory Hymn: 693 – *“Tell Me The Stories Of Jesus”*

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

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

Greetings, Celebrations & Notices

Adoration in Song

† *“Hosanna, Hosanna”*

† *“Blessing and Honour”*

† *“Our God Reigns!”*



Ministry of the Word

First Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:5 – 11

Choir Anthem – *“Hosanna To The King!”*

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 19:28 – 42

Canticle 7 – *The Hosanna Anthem* (p. 32, front of Hymnal)

Sermon – *Rev. Ezra Parris*

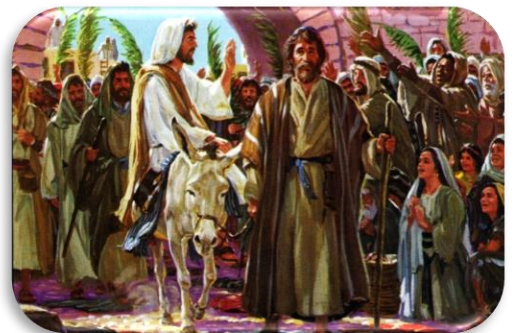
Hymn of Reflection – *“Have You Any Room For Jesus?”*

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession

Hymn 81 – *“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”*

The Benediction

Organ Postlude



Processional Hymn: 103 –

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes ‘Hosanna!’ cry;
Thine humble beast pursues his road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, your triumphs now begin
O’er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The wingèd squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on his sapphire throne
Expects his own anointed Son.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, your power, and reign.



Invitation to Worship: (Ps. 118:1 – 2)

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

Congregation: *Let Israel now say, “His mercy endures forever.”*



Opening Hymn: 161 –

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace!

Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

His grace subdues the power of sin,
He sets the prisoner free,
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

He speaks, and listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive,
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

Look unto him, ye nations; own
Your God, ye fallen race;
Look and be saved through faith alone,
Be justified by grace.



PALM SUNDAY

All standing.

We praise you, the Lord God of Israel! You came to the help of your people and have set them free.

You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour, a descendant of your servant David.

You promised through your holy prophets long ago that you would save us from our enemies, from the power of all those who hate us.

You have shown the mercy promised to our ancestors and have remembered your holy covenant.

With a solemn oath to our ancestor Abraham, you promised to rescue us from our enemies and allow us to serve you without fear,

So that we might be holy and righteous before you all the days of our life.

By your tender mercy you cause the bright dawn of salvation to rise on us,
***To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to
guide our feet into the way of peace.***

The voice of the messenger echoes from the desert, calling us to prepare the way of the Lord and to make a straight path on which he may come. Let us confess our sins, so that our crooked ways will be made straight and the rough ways smooth.

All seated.

Let us pray:

Our sovereign Redeemer, we join the people of Jerusalem offering our own shouts of praise and celebration at your coming. Although we welcome you today with the multitude on Palm Sunday, we confess we have also stood with the condemning crowd on Good Friday. Our thoughts, words, and deeds have cried, "Crucify!" We turn to you for help and forgiveness, gracious Saviour; not because we deserve it, but because you are forgiving. Save us from our sinful ways, and restore us to a life of loyalty to you. Amen.

Through John the Baptizer, we hear the Lord's promise: Turn away from your sins, and God will forgive your sins.

TUNE: HYFRYDOL

Come, Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's Strength and Consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Charles Wesley (1707 – 1788)

Eternal God, Ruler of all ages, graciously you come to us in order that we might come to you, through the merit of Jesus Christ, strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

Help us and all your children to respond to the call of your gospel with faith, love, and hope.

God of faith, you created humanity to serve and praise you; and even when we rebelled against you, you promised to send a Saviour to redeem us from our sins:

Strengthen our faith in your saving work through Christ. As you chose the people of Israel to hear the promise of redemption through the prophets, may people today believe in your good will for all that you have made.

God of love, you fulfilled your promise of a redeemer in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ:

Grant us the gifts of the Holy Spirit that we may share your love with the sick and the afflicted, with the poor and the homeless, with the victims of injustice and discrimination, and with all who are experiencing times of trouble.

God of hope, you comfort us through our Saviour's promise to return in glory at the end of time:

As we await the coming of the Prince of Peace, let us not despair. We long for you to inspire all the nations and peoples of the world to turn to cooperation and nurture, rather than to hatred and destruction.

God of faith, love, and hope, to you and to you alone we pray:

For you are our God, the only God, forever and ever. Amen.

All standing.

Having received the assurance of God's loving forgiveness, we join together to echo the praises of God's people who declared with one voice even then, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord."

Lord, you have kept the promise you made to our ancestors, and have come to the help of your servant people.

You remembered to show mercy to Abraham and Sarah and to all their descendants forever!

We praise you, Lord. You are enthroned in glory, yet you came and continue to come for all who will receive you. We praise you, for you are good, and your mercy endures forever.

To you be glory and power, forever and ever. Amen.

TUNE: HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOUR

Man of Sorrows, what a name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim.
Hallelujah! what a Saviour!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His blood.
Hallelujah! what a Saviour!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we;
Spotless Lamb of God was He.
'Full atonement' - can it be?
Hallelujah! what a Saviour!

Philip P. Bliss (1838 – 1876)



Worship In Tithes & Offerings:

Offertory Sentence: “. . . *For the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”* – Romans 10:12 – 13

Offertory Hymn: 693 –

Tell me the stories of Jesus
I love to hear;
Things I would ask him to tell me
If he were here;
Scenes by the wayside,
Tales of the sea,
Stories of Jesus,
Tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children
Stood round his knee;
And I shall fancy his blessing
Resting on me;
Words full of kindness,
Deeds full of grace,
All in the lovelight
Of Jesus' face.

Tell me, in accents of wonder,
How rolled the sea,
Tossing the boat in the tempest
On Galilee;
And how the Master,
Ready and kind,
Chided the billows
And hushed the wind.

Into the city I'd follow
The children's band,
Waving a branch of the palm-tree
High in my hand;
One of his heralds,
Yes, I would sing
Loudest hosannas,
Jesus is King!

Show me that scene in the garden,
Of bitter pain;
And of the cross where my Saviour
For me was slain;
And, through the sadness,
Help me to see
How Jesus suffered
For love of me.

Gladly I'd hear of his rising
Out of the grave,
Living and strong and triumphant,
Mighty to save;
And how he sends us
All men to bring
Stories of Jesus,
Jesus, their King.



Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Thanks, thanks, I Give You thanks

*Thanks, thanks, I give You thanks
For all You've done
I am so blessed
My soul is at rest
O Lord, I give You thanks.*



Greetings, Celebrations & Notices



Adoration in Song –

“Hosanna Hosanna Hosanna in the Highest”

*Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest!*

*Lord we lift up Your name
With our hearts full of praise
Be exalted O Lord our God!
Hosanna in the highest!*



“Blessing and Honour, Glory and Power”

*Blessing and honour, glory and power
Be unto the Ancient of Days
From every nation, all of creation,
Bow before the Ancient of Days.*

*Every tongue in heaven and earth shall declare your glory
Every knee shall bow at your throne in worship,
You will be exalted, O God
And your kingdom shall not pass away
O Ancient of Days.*

*Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth
Sing unto the Ancient of Days*

For none can compare to Your matchless worth,
Sing unto the Ancient of Days



“Our God Reigns”

How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him
Who brings good news, good news;
Announcing peace proclaiming news of happiness;
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!

Chorus:

Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!

You watchmen, lift your voices joyfully as one,
Shout for your King, your King!
See eye to eye, the Lord restoring Sion:
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!

Waste places of Jerusalem, break forth with joy!
We are redeemed, redeemed;
The Lord has saved and comforted His people;
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!

Ends of the earth, see the salvation of our God!
Jesus is Lord, is Lord,
Before the nations, He has bared His holy arm
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!



Ministry of the Word:

First Scripture Reading: Philippians 2: 5 – 11

5. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:
6. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
7. But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:
8. And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

9. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:
10. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;
11. And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



Choir Anthem – “Hosanna To The King!”



Second Scripture Reading: Luke 19: 28 – 42

28. And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.
29. And it came to pass, when he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called the mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,
30. Saying, Go ye into the village over against you; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring him hither.
31. And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose him? thus shall ye say unto him, Because the Lord hath need of him.
32. And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.
33. And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, Why loose ye the colt?
34. And they said, The Lord hath need of him.
35. And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.
36. And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.
37. And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;

38. Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.
39. And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples.
40. And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.
41. And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,
42. Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.



Canticle 7 – The Hosanna Anthem

Canticle 7 – Hosanna Anthem (Matthew 21:9)

(The anthem is written for boys and girls to sing in alternate parts. It may, however, easily be sung according to any other responsive arrangement.)

- B. Hosanna, blessed is he that | comes!
 G. | Hosanna, blessed is he that | comes!
 B. | Hosanna,
 G. Hosanna, –
 B. Hosanna, –
 G. Hosanna, –
 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!
 B. Hosanna, blessed is he that | comes!
 G. Hosanna, blessed is he that | comes!
 B. Hosan– | na,
 G. | Hosan– | na,
 B. | Hosan– | na,
 G. | Hosan– | na,
 B. | Hosan– | na,
 G. | Hosanna in the high– | - - -
 - - - - - | est.
 B. | in the high– | est.
 B. Hosanna, –

B. | Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Commitment & Intercession



Closing Hymn: 81 –

Thou didst leave thy throne
And thy kingly crown
When thou camest to earth for me;
But in Bethlehem's home
Was there found no room
For Thy holy nativity.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!
There is room in my heart for Thee.

Heaven's arches rang
When the angels sang,
Proclaiming thy royal degree;
But of lowly birth
Cam'st thou Lord, on earth,
And in great humility.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!
There is room in my heart for Thee.

The foxes found rest,
And the birds had their nest
In the shade of the cedar tree;
But thy couch was the sod,
O thou Son of God,
In the deserts of Galilee.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!
There is room in my heart for Thee.

Thou camest, O Lord,
With the living word,
That should set thy children free;
But with mocking scorn,
And with crown of thorn,
They bore Thee to Calvary.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus!
Thy cross is my only plea.

When heaven's arches shall ring,
And her choirs shall sing,
At thy coming to victory,
Let thy voice call me home,
Saying "Yet there is room,
There is room at my side for thee."
*And my heart shall rejoice, Lord Jesus!
When thou comest and callest for me.*



Benediction



Organ Postlude



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

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Advanced: *Daphne Alleyne (14th), Darren Clarke & Waveney Hinds (15th), Chelsea Greenidge (16th), Shelah Clarke-Parris (17th), Cornetta Franklin & Liam Pinder (18th)*



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: **PALM SUNDAY & GREEN SUNDAY**

- † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
- † Adventures in worship (All ages) – 10:00 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre
- † Moramus Singers' Palm Sunday Presentation: *"What A Wondrous Hope"* – 5:00 p.m. at Grace Hill Moravian Church. Admission is FREE, an offering will be received.

† This Week:

- † Office Hours – Tuesday & Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. (D. C. Moore Centre).
- † Monday to Wednesday: Holy Week Reading Services (Sharon & Dunscombe) – 7:00 p.m. online via Zoom. Meeting ID: 861 4335 8604 / Passcode: 244093.
- † Thursday (Maundy Thursday): Holy Week Reading Service, including the Lord's Supper at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

† Friday: Good Friday Service at 10:00 a.m.

† Next Sunday: **RESURRECTION (EASTER) SUNDAY**

- † Divine Worship at 9:30 a.m.
- † Adventures in worship (All ages) – 10:00 a.m. in the D.C. Moore Centre



Activities in the Month of April 2025:

- † Palm Sunday – 13th
- † Green Sunday (at Sharon) – 13th. As we seek contributions towards repairs to our church building, we invite attendees to wear green and to present a walk-up offering of green Barbados currency.
- † Moramus Singers of Barbados Palm Sunday Presentation: *What A Wondrous Hope* – Sunday 13th, 5:00 p.m. at the Grace Hill Moravian Church, Spooner's Hill. An Offering will be received.
- † Holy Week Services – Monday, 14th to Thursday 17th
 - Monday – Wednesday – 7:00 p.m., Online.
 - Holy Thursday – 6:00 p.m. In-sanctuary, including the Lord's Supper.
- † Resurrection (Easter) Sunday – 20th
- † Annual Fish Fry – Easter Monday, 21st, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the D. C. Moore Centre. **Pledge Forms are available – please collect one.**
- † Conference at Prayer – Saturday, 26th, online via Zoom.
- † Youth Convention – Sunday, 27th, 10:00 a.m. at Mount Tabor



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

1. Thanks to all who signed up and kept the Unity Prayer Watch going on Thursday, April 10, 2025.
2. Giving is one of the engagements / disciplines of the season of Lent. Here at Sharon and Dunscombe, although much of our “gathering” has been online, you are invited to still give a Lenten Offering. You can do so by setting an amount aside for each of the seven weeks and then presenting that offering on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, or Easter Sunday.
3. At a meeting of the Board of Elders held on April 3, 2025, the Elders were 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, 1st 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

4. 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.

5. 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.



6. From the Superintendent:

6.1. Delegates to Provincial Synod:

6.1.1. The results of balloting in congregations on March 9th were as follows:

- ✠ LAY DELEGATE: Sis. Betty Alleyne Headley – 148; Sis. Carolyn Hinds – 148; Sis. Cheryl Croney-Sealy – 113; Bro. David Blenman – 160; Sis. Khelia Best – 148; Sis. Margaret Best – 111; Sis. Ottley Cox-Burrowes – 107; Bro. Shamar Watson – 117; Sis. Verve Alleyne – 123; Bro. Wordsworth Hinds – 61.
- ✠ YOUTH DELEGATE: Sis. Charlene Forde – 10; Sis. Jahnyah Audain – 17; Sis. Janae Paul – 16; Sis. Kaylia Doughty – 25; Sis. Renee Holford – 20. A special meeting of Island Conference was held online on March 16th at 7:30 p.m. to have an online election to break the tie for the second and third Lay Delegate. The following were thereafter considered elected as our Synod Delegates:
 - Sis. Betty Alleyne Headley
 - Sis. Carolyn Hinds

- Bro. David Blenman
- Sis. Kaylia Doughty

6.2. Synod:

6.2.1. The 34th Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province will be held in the Trinidad Conference in July 2025. The Synod will be both virtual and in-person. Synod will convene virtually on May 15, 2025 and June 12, 2025 to conduct housekeeping matters and to receive reports. The in-person sessions will be held from July 10 – 16, 2025 in Trinidad, with the 10th and 16th being travels days.

6.2.2. The Congregations of the Province are being asked to cover the fees and costs of their Pastor(s)/Clergy Delegate(s) as usual. The estimated cost per delegate from Barbados is BD\$3,000, covering a Synod Fee of US\$1,000 and travel cost from Barbados to Trinidad of approximately BD \$1,000.

6.2.3. As per the Book of Order (Paragraph 4.17), members of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province may submit proposals on any aspect of our church's life, for resolution at the 34th Provincial Synod. Proposals should be seconded by a member of the Moravian Church and submitted to the Conference Office by February 14th, for consideration by the Island Conference and further submission to the Provincial Office by April 15, 2025.

6.2.4. Please begin to make preparations and to pray for the Synod.

7. From the Provincial Board:

7.1. Please be advised that the Rev. Denise Smith-Lewis, Acting Superintendent of the Moravian Church Antigua Conference and Pastor of the Cedar Hall and Cashew Hill congregations, will proceed on furlough from April 1 to June 30 and August 15 to September 15, 2025. During this period, the Rev. Nevin Lewis, Pastor of the Lebanon and Newfield congregations, will assume responsibility for the Superintendency. We kindly ask for your prayers and support for Rev. Smith-Lewis, Rev. Lewis, and the entire Antigua Conference as they navigate this time of transition.

7.2. The 5th Unity Women's Consultation will be held in North Carolina, USA from June 1 – 8, 2025. This event brings together women from throughout the Moravian world to discuss matters pertinent to the gospel and women. The Ministers of Christian Education chose Sis. Laurine Richards of the Antigua Conference to represent the Eastern West Indies Province at this consultation. Please pray for Sis. Richards as she prepares for the consultation.

8. Synod Advisory from the Provincial Board:
 - 8.1. Bishop Conrad Spencer has been requested to ordain Pastor Marleen Browne to the diaconate of the Moravian Church Eastern West Indies Province. The service of ordination will take place on Sunday, July 13, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. at the Memorial Moravian Church in Trinidad. Please pray for Sis. Browne as she prepares to take her vows.
 - 8.2. The Opening Service for the 34th Provincial Synod, will take place on Sunday, July 13, 2025 at the Regent Star Hotel in Piarco, Trinidad at 9:00 a.m. The service will be streamed live.
 - 8.3. The Closing Service for the 34th Provincial Synod will take place on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Regent Star Hotel in Piarco, Trinidad. This service will be streamed live.
 - 8.4. Please continue to pray for the 34th Provincial Synod that the purpose of God is established.
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 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/) 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
- 11.5. Remember to listen to the Moravian Radio Programme: “Moravian Voice” on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. on Life 97.5 FM.



PRAYER NEEDS:



1. Our Shut-ins: *Sis. Aileen Bowen, Sis. Vernice Alberta Osbourne, Sis. Cynthia Walrond, Sis. Fraulene Headley.*
2. The Sick/Recovering:
✠ Of our congregation: *Sis. Ansonia Cox-Burgess, Sis. Zelia Kellman, Sis. Shanna King (USA), Sis. Yvonne Martindale, Sis. Brenda Herbert, Sis. Edna Taylor, Sis. Justina Lowe.*
3. World Peace



AVAILABLE (Through the Church Office):

- ✠ Offering Envelopes for 2025 – 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 2025 – 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
- ✠ 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.



Visit our Website at <http://sharonmoravian.info>; Visit our Facebook Page and subscribe to our YouTube Channel. These are means by which we can connect to our brothers and sisters, and get the word out on what's happening in the church. Like us; Follow us; Re-post us.



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



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The Moramus Singers of Barbados
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