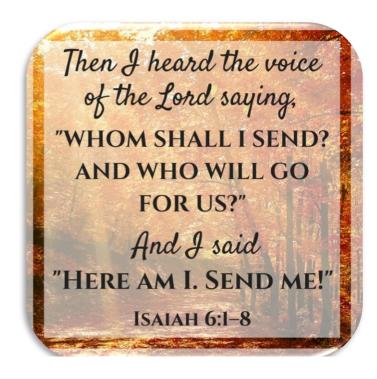


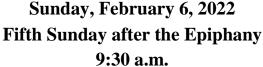
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Welcome: Welcome to all, and together let us make known our joy in the LORD. For He is a great God and He has done great things for us and holy is His name. Welcome to you, whether you are here in this house or joining by way of our livestream on YouTube and Facebook. We pray for the grace and wisdom of God in this hour. Welcome.

Pastor: Rev. Ezra Parris (Manse: 246-546-0344) Associate Pastor: Rev. Movelle Kellman

WATCHWORD: The Lord will fulfil his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. (Psalm 138:8)

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



This cup
is the new
covenant
in my blood,
Which is
poured
out for
you.
Luke 22:20

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude

Introit

Call to Worship: Psalm 138:1 – 2

Leader: I will praise You with my whole heart; Before the gods I will sing praises to

You.

 $\textbf{Congregation: } \textit{I will worship} \ldots \textit{And praise Your name for Your loving kindness and Your }$

truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.

Hymn 473 – "Ye Servants of God"

Confession of Faith I p. 240 – CMP Liturgy Book

Hymn 197 – "Blessèd Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

The Installation of Officers p. 208 – CMP Liturgy Book

Adoration in Songs & Choruses

Prayer of Dedication of Offerings

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 6:1 – 8 Scripture Reading: Luke 5:1 – 11

Choir Anthem - "Lead Me, Lord"

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Invitation

Eucharistic Prayer

Consecration of the Bread

Distribution Hymns: 211 – "Just As I Am – Without One Plea"

195 – "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour"

Consecration of the Wine

Distribution Hymns: 191 – "I've Found A Friend; O Such A Friend"

264 – "In Heavenly Love Abiding"

201 - "I Am Trusting Thee Lord Jesus"

Hymn of Thanksgiving: 244 – "Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It"

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Covenant Hymn: 596 – "We Who Here Together Are Assembled"

The Blessing & Organ Postlude

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Leader: I will praise You with my whole heart; Before the gods I will sing praises

to You.

Congregation: I will worship . . . And praise Your name for Your lovingkindness and

Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.



Hymn 473 -

Ye servants of God,
Your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad
His wonderful name;
The name all-victorious
Of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious,
And rules over all.

God ruleth on high,
Almighty to save;
And still he is nigh,
His presence we have;
The great congregation
His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation
To Jesus our King.

Salvation to God,
Who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud,
And honour the Son:
The praises of Jesus
The angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces,
And worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, And give him his right, All glory and power, All wisdom and might, All honour and blessing, With angels above, And thanks never-ceasing, And infinite love.



CONFESSION OF FAITH I

I believe in the one only God: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

Who created all things, and was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself;

Glory be to You, O Lord most high.

I believe in God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who chose us in him before the foundation of the world:

Who delivered us out of the power of darkness and has translated us into the kingdom of the Son of his love;

Who has blessed us in every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ;

Who made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; having foreordained us unto adoption as sons through Jesus Christ unto himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of the glory of his grace, which he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

In him I truly believe.

I believe in the only begotten Son of God, by whom are all things and we through him;

Who became flesh, and dwelt among us;

And took on him the form of a servant; Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of man;

He was tempted in all points like as we are, yet without sin;

He spoke that which he did know, and bore witness of that which he had seen;

As many as received him, to them gave he the right to become children of God.

In him I truly believe.

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world;

Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried, and the third day rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father, from whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

This is my Lord, who redeemed me, a lost and undone human creature, purchased and gained me from sin, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with his holy, precious blood, and with his innocent suffering and

dying; to the end that I should be his own, and in his kingdom live under him and serve him in eternal righteousness, innocence and happiness; even as he, being risen from the dead, lives and reigns, world without end.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, who proceeds from the Father, and whom our Lord Jesus Christ sent, after he went away, that he should be our Comforter, and abide with us for ever;

That he should help our infirmity, and make intercession for us, with groanings which cannot be uttered; that he should bear witness with our spirit, that we are children of God, and teach us to cry, Abba, Father;

That he should shed abroad in our hearts the love of God;

And make our bodies his holy temple;

And that he should work in us the will of God, dividing his gifts to each one, even as he will.

In him I truly believe.

To God be glory in the Church which is in Christ Jesus, the holy universal Christian Church, in the communion of saints, at all times, and from eternity to eternity. *Amen.*



Hymn 197 -

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

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

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

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



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices



INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

From the Liturgy Book of the Moravian Church in the Caribbean

All standing.

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who then is the faithful and wise steward, whom His Lord shall set over His household to give them their portion of food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom His Lord, when He comes shall find so doing.

Hear also what St. Paul writes: Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. For there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are diversities of ministration, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of workings, but the same Lord who works all things in all. But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit to profit withal. Moreover, it is required in stewards that they be found faithful.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, we give you thanks that you have called us into your service. Grant us, we pray, the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may know our calling, and that we may obey you and do your work in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

We are gathered together in the sight of God to publicly commission our brothers and sisters as members of the Board of Elders and Board of Stewards and Delegates to Island Conference. We believe that they have been called of God to this great office. They have been examined and approved, according to the rules and principles of the Moravian Church.

We pray that God will endue them with love and power that they may exercise the ministry of His Word with true conviction and power, edifying His Church, and living to the honour and glory of His name.

Amen.

To the outgoing officers:

On behalf of the congregation I thank you for your faithful service to God in His Church. May his blessing be yours, and may you experience the joy of knowing that you were used by your Master in a special way as you continue to pray for His guidance in your life and in the life of His Church.

Addressing those to be installed:

After prayerful consideration and under the leading of the Holy Spirit, the membership of this congregation has chosen you to the office of ______.

(Here the officers and offices shall be named.)

Are you willing to accept this position now as a trust committed to you by our Lord and Master, the Head of this body, the Church?

Officers: I am

Do you promise to serve to the best of your ability as faithful stewards called by God?

Officers: I do, the Lord being my Helper.

Addressing the congregation:

Brothers and sisters, inasmuch as these officers, responsible for the well-being of this congregation have publicly pledged themselves under the guidance of the Holy Spirit to exert their very best efforts to this end, will you now promise to bear in mind that you as members collectively elected them, and will you therefore pledge to support them by prayer, by word and by work at all times?

Congregation: We will.

In the name of the Church's Head, I now declare you to be duly installed into the offices to which you have been elected and appointed.

Let us pray:

Almighty Father, who has called us into the fellowship of your church, grant we pray that in all our offices we may fulfill the duties and enjoy the privileges of our spiritual home. Upon those who offer themselves for your service, bestow the fullness of your grace. Bless and help these your servants. Be present in all the works of your Church which are undertaken according to your will. Grant to these labourers a pure intention, patient faith, sufficient success upon earth and the bliss of serving you in heaven, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

My beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain.

A hymn is sung while the Minister extends the right hand of fellowship to the newly installed officers.

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Tune: Narenza - # 403

Ye servants of the Lord, Each in his office wait, Observant of his heavenly word, And watchful at his gate.

Let all your lamps be bright, And trim the golden flame; Gird up your loins as in his sight, For awful is his name.

Watch! 'tis your Lord's command, And while we speak, he's near; Mark the first signal of his hand, And ready all appear.

Glad will that servant be, In such a posture found! Who shall the Lord with rapture see, And be with honour crowned.

Christ shall the banquet spread
With his own royal hand,
And raise that faithful servant's head
Amidst the angelic band.

1755. P. Doddridge.



Adoration In Songs & Choruses



Prayer of Dedication of Offerings



Ministry of the Word

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 6:1 – 8

- 1. In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.
- 2. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
- **3.** And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.
- **4.** And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.
- 5. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.
- 6. Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:
- 7. And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.
- **8.** Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.



Scripture Reading: Luke 5:1 – 11

- 1. And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,
- 2. And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets.
- **3.** And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.
- **4.** Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.

- **5.** And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.
- **6.** And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.
- 7. And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.
- **8.** When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.
- **9.** For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:
- **10.** And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.
- 11. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.



Choir Anthem - - "Lead Me, Lord"



Sermon – – Rev. Ezra Parris



Prayer of Commitment & Intercession



Hymn 327 -

Come, faithful Shepherd, bind me
With cords of love to thee,
And evermore remind me
That thou has died for me:
O may thy Holy Spirit
Set this before mine eyes,
That I thy death and merit
Above all else may prize.

Thou, Lord, wilt not forsake me,
Though I am oft to blame;
As thy reward, O take me
Anew, just as I am:
Grant me henceforth, dear Saviour,
While in this vale of tears,
To look to thee, and never
Give way to anxious fears.

Am I of my salvation
Assurèd through thy love;
May I on each occasion
To thee more faithful prove:
Hast thou my sins forgiven,
Then, leaving things behind,
May I press on to heaven,
And bear the prize in mind.



MUSICAL INTERLUDE / Prayer of Preparation



The Lord's Supper I

A Prayer for private preparation:

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

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

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

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

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

But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; grant us, gracious Lord, so to take this bread and drink this cup, that our fellowship with Thee may cleanse us from our sin and that we may evermore dwell in thee, and thou in us.

Amen.

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

Lift up your hearts:

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God:

It is meet and right so to do.

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

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

Prayer is offered, or this form may be used:

Let us pray.

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

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

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

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

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

All stand.

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

The Bread is distributed while hymns are sung.



211

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

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

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

Just as I am – poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. Just as I am – thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

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

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



Pass me not, O gentle Saviour, Hear my humble cry; While on others thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

Saviour, Saviour, Hear my humble cry; While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

> Let me at thy throne of mercy Find a sweet relief; Kneeling there in deep contrition, Help my unbelief.

> Trusting only in thy merit,
> Would I seek thy face;
> Heal my wounded, broken spirit,
> Save me by thy grace.

Thou the spring of all my comfort,
More than life to me,
Whom have I on earth beside thee?
Whom in heaven but thee?



195

All having received the Bread, the Congregation stands.

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

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

Tune: Media Vita (Part II)

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



All stand

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

The Wine is distributed while hymns are sung.



191

I've found a friend; O such a friend!

He loved me ere I knew him;

He drew me with the cords of love,

And thus he bound me to him;

And round my heart still closely twine

Those ties which naught can sever,

For I am his, and he is mine,

Forever and forever.

I've found a friend; O such a friend!
He bled, he died to save me;
And not alone the gift of life,
But his own self he gave me.
Nought that I have mine own I call,

I'll hold it for the giver; My heart, my strength, my life, my all Are his, and his forever.

I've found a friend, O such a friend!
So kind, and true, and tender!
So wise a counselor and guide,
So mighty a defender!
From him who loves me now so well
What power my soul shall sever?
Shall life or death, shall earth or hell?
No! I am his for ever.

REPRESE

In heavenly love abiding
No change my heart shall fear;
And safe is such confiding,
For nothing changes here:
The storm may roar without me,
My heart may low be laid;
But God is round about me,
And can I be dismayed?

Wherever he may guide me,
No want shall turn me back;
My Shepherd is beside me,
And nothing can I lack.
His wisdom ever waketh,
His sight is never dim:
He knows the way he taketh,
And I will walk with him.

Green pastures are before me,
Which yet I have not seen;
Bright skies will soon be o'er me,
Where the dark clouds have been.
My hope I cannot measure:
My path to life is free;

264

My Saviour has my treasure, And he will walk with me.



201

I am trusting thee, Lord, Jesus, Trusting only thee, Trusting thee for full salvation, Great and free.

I am trusting thee for pardon:
At thy feet I bow,
For thy grace and tender mercy
Trusting now.

I am trusting thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead, Every day and hour supplying All my need.

I am trusting thee for power:
Thine can never fail;
Words which thou thyself shalt give me
Must prevail.

I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall; I am trusting thee for ever, And for all.



All having received the Wine, the Congregation stands.

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

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

Most holy Lord and God, Holy, almighty God, Holy and most merciful Saviour,

Thou eternal God; Bless thy congregation Through thy sufferings, death and blood, Have mercy, O Lord.



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

Hymn of Thanksgiving – 244

Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it! Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child, and forever I am.

Redeemed, redeemed, Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed, redeemed, His child, and forever I am.

> Redeemed, and so happy in Jesus, No language my rapture can tell; I know that the light of His presence With me doth continually dwell.

I think of my blessed Redeemer, I think of Him all the day long; I sing, for I cannot be silent; His love is the theme of my song.

I know I shall see in His beauty
The King in whose law I delight;
Who lovingly guardeth my footsteps
And giveth me songs in the night.



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

We praise thee that thou has made us members of thy mystical body, the blessed company of all faithful people: and we commend to thee all those who are joined to us in the one true faith. We bring to thee in love and tenderness all who are dear to us Be pleased

to unite thy people everywhere in love and charity; and let thy Church spread abroad in the earth, drawing all people unto thyself, that they may find redemption and peace in thee.

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

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

AMEN.

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



Covenant Hymn – 596

We who here together are assembled,
Joining hearts and hands in one,
Bind ourselves with live that's undissembled,
Christ to love and serve alone:
O may we our imperfect songs and praises
Be well-pleasing unto thee, Lord Jesus:
Say, 'My peace I leave with you:'
Amen, Amen, be it so.



The Blessing:

THE Lord bless thee and keep thee;

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

In the name of Jesus. AMEN.

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



Organ Postlude



Welcome, Celebrations & Notices

Welcome to all, and together let us make known our joy in the LORD. For He is a great God and He has *done great things for us and holy is His name*. Welcome to you, whether you are here in this house or joining by way of our livestream on YouTube and Facebook. We pray for the grace and wisdom of God in this hour. Welcome.





<u>Today:</u> Shada Applewhaite, Tara Gilkes <u>Advanced:</u> Patsy Turton-Beckles (7th), Kenton Jones & Violet Taylor (10th), Andrew Lowe & Tia Phillips (11th), Joan Denny-Downes (12th)



Congratulations to Bro. Berkley & Sis. Cherylann Greenidge who will celebrate their 22nd Wedding Anniversary on February 12, 2022

MORAVIAN BIRTHDAY SONG

With Thy presence, Lord, our Head and Saviour,
Bless them all we humbly pray;
Our dear heavenly Father's love and favour
Be their comfort every day.
May the Holy Ghost in each proceeding,
Favour them with his most gracious leading;
Thus shall they be truly blessed,
Both in labour and in rest.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & INVOLVEMENT

- **†** Today: Divine Worship, Installation of Officers & Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m.
- † This Week:
- **†** Friendship Week. Tell a friend about Sharon and invite them to Church or our Livestream on Sunday, 13th.
- → 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

- **♦ Next Sunday:** Anniversary (223rd of Church Building) & Friendship Sunday **Divine Worship 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 February 2022:

- **†** Harvest Festival at Fulnec − Sunday, 6th
- **♦** Sharon's Friendship Week Sunday, 6th to Sunday 13th. Tell a friend about Sharon and invite them to Church or our Livestream on Sunday, 13th.
- ₱ Men's Prayer Conference Saturday, 12th, Online, 8:00 a.m. Zoom Meeting ID: 846 1748 4750 || Passcode: 000885.
- **♣** Anniversary & Friendship Sunday February 13th, 9:30 a.m.
- **♥** Harvest Festival at Calvary Sunday, 13th
- **♥** Superintendents Conference 15th & 16th
- **♦** Women's Prayer-Fast Saturday, 19th, Online, 8:00 a.m. Zoom Meeting ID: 835 8607 4910 || Passcode: 806907.
- **†** Harvest Festival at Dunscombe − Sunday, 20th, 8:00 a.m.
- ₱ Harvest Festival at Clifton Hill Sunday, 27th



NEWS, INFORMATION & REMINDERS

- 1. The Women's Fellowship will start a Farmer's Market immediately after Church from next Sunday. 75% of the financial proceeds will go to the Church to be used as needed. Items sold will include fruit, vegetables, ground provisions and local drinks: mauby, sorrel, coconut water, coconut punch, etc. Items will cost either \$3.00 or \$5.00.
- 2. We install our leaders today and we express our thanks to those who would have completed a term or two terms of service On the Board of Elders: Sis. Lucine Baker, Sis. Ciana Downes, Sis. Eula Gibbs, Sis. Marion King-Taylor, and Sis. Joan Taylor. On the Board of Stewards: Bro. Victor Terry Carrington, Sis. Kimoi Jones, and Sis. Patricia Layne. As Delegate to Island Conference: Sis Joan Taylor. † Those who will be installed today are as follows:

ELDERS	Appointed	STEWARDS	Elected
Sis. Diana Boyce	2021	Sis. Sylvia Arthur-Hurdle	2022
Sis. Shirley Cadogan	2017 / 20	Sis. Tracy Barker-Linton	2019 / 22
Sis. Hazel Carter	2022	Sis. Margaret Best	2019 / 22
Sis. Cora Cumberbatch	2022	Sis. Patricia Brathwaite-Marshall	2020
Sis. Carmel Downes	2020	Sis. Jennifer Clarke	2017 / 20
Sis. Merville Franklyn	2022	Sis. Evelina King-Harper	2022
Sis. Lelia Gibbs	2020	Sis. Talya Layne	2020
Sis. Denise Grant	2020	Sis. Monica Maynard	2019 / 22
Sis. Angelus Hurdle	2018 / 21	Sis. Zenaida Ramsay	2019 / 22
Sis. Ingrid Ibrahim	2022	Sis. Jacqueline Walrond	2018 / 21
Sis. Veronica Leacock	2020	Sis. Orrin Williams	2021
Bro. Edwin Sandiford	2022		
Sis. Grace Sandiford	2018 / 21		
Sis. Ismay Straker	2017 / 20		

DELEGATES TO ISLAND CONFERENCE				
Sis. Margaret Best	2019 / 22	Sis. Orrin Williams	2020	
Sis. Angelus Hurdle	2022	Sis. Marion Stanford (Alternate)		

- 3. The men of the Conference are invited to gather online on Saturday, February 12th, at 8:00 a.m. for another Men's Prayer Conference. Invite a male friend to logon with you, as we reflect on matters important to men and pray. Zoom Meeting ID: 846 1748 4750 || Passcode: 000885.
- 4. The women of the Conference are invited to an online Women's Prayer-Fast on Saturday, February 19th, commencing at 8:00 a.m. The meeting is open to all women who desire to fellowship and pray together. Zoom Meeting ID: 835 8607 4910 || Passcode: 806907.
- 5. We are permitted eighty-two (82) attendees for in-sanctuary worship at Sharon, with a separation of six (6) feet between individuals or household groups. We have

- suspended registration for the time being. We will resume registration when our attendance approaches our limit.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Our Steelpan Ministry has resumed. Those who are interested should contact Sis Kristina Carter.
- 8. The branded cloth masks are all sold out. We take this opportunity to thank all those who supported the project, either by purchasing or through donations.
- 9. The Provincial Board makes the following announcements:
 - ♥ Sis. Marleen Browne who graduated from the United Theological College of the West Indies on May 2021 will take up a special three-month assignment in the Antigua Conference from February 1, 2022 to April 30, 2022. Please pray for Sis. Browne and family as she continues to answer the call of God on her life.
- **†** March 06, 2022 is Unity Sunday.
 - **♣** At this time of year, we remember the birth of the Unitas Fratrum, the Moravian Church, on March 1, 1457. We ask for your continued prayers for the work and witness of our Church.
 - A special Unity offering will be taken in Moravian Churches worldwide on Sunday March 6, 2022. The Unity Prayer Day Offering will benefit "Support of refugee resettlement in North America", a work done by the American Board of World Mission (ABWM) together with congregations of the Moravian Church Southern and Northern Provinces, North America. The project assists refugees in their transition from their native homelands to their new homes in North America.
- **♥** 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.
- The Unity Prayer Watch is a special service to the world, offered by the worldwide Moravian Church.
 - **†** The Eastern West Indies Province will participate in the Unity Prayer Watch from Midnight, April 03 Midnight April 17, 2022. Conferences are asked to observe the schedule the time for members to engage in the unbroken prayer chain. The Barbados Conference will be responsible for April 09 11:59p.m. to Midnight, April 12, 2022.
 - 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.
- 10.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.
- 11.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. 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: <u>Understanding the Caribbean Worker</u>— \$25; <u>Provocation</u>— \$20.
 - Rev. Dr. Winelle Kirton-Roberts: <u>Created in Their Image</u>: <u>Evangelical Protestantism</u> in Antigua and Barbados 1834-1914 \$50.
 - Rev. Dr. Joseph Nicholas: <u>Baptism Is a Gift of God: As Such It Is More Than Water</u>—\$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.









Protocol for Worship Services during the COVID-19 Pandemic – 2021

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;
 - **4** 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 six (6) 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 six (6) 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.

