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Celebrate
Father's
Day

'The Holy Trinity'

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We recently celebrated Child Month and Mother's Day in the month of May. Now In June we celebrate fathers, so continuing the family ties. On Sunday, June 9th, seven weeks or 50 days after Easter, we acknowledge "Pentecost – The coming of the Holy Spirit." In Acts chapter 2:1-4, we read that 'on the day of Pentecost all the Apostles were together in one place and suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind and filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues as of fire appeared and rested on each one of them and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them

utterance'. This was fulfillment of Jesus' promise to his disciples that they would receive power through the Holy Spirit and they would be His witnesses both at home and throughout the world.

Peter afterwards preached a sermon and encouraged the people to repent and be baptized. The message for us today is still the same. Jesus ascended into Heaven to sit at the right hand of His Father but He sends a Comforter, "The Holy Spirit" to live within us, to guide us and be with us always; but we need to accept Jesus Christ as our Saviour. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are specially given to us, and we are to use these gifts to help to uplift and build up each other.

Father's Day and Trinity Sunday both fall on June 16th. So as we celebrate our earthly fathers and shower them with love, let us also remember the Holy Trinity: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit; three in One.

Prayer

Father God, we indeed thank You for who You are, for the family You blessed us with, for the unconditional love You bestow on us. Thank You for the gifts you have given us, and Your Holy Spirit who reigns in us through the acceptance of your dear Son, Jesus Christ. Refresh us each day to continue to live our lives through You. Amen.



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"Our Lamb has conquered; Let us follow Him"

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From the Pastor's Desk

Rev. N.C. Roslyn Hamblin

“Worshipping Outdoors”

The **Outdoor Worship** provides many wonderful opportunities for us as the people of God. It is good that we pause to reflect upon some of these as we prepare for this interesting event.

1. The **Outdoor Worship** experience affords the opportunity to observe nature and recognize the creative power of God.
2. The **Outdoor Worship** experience allows new meaning to be given to the great hymns and passages of scripture which we enjoy and treasure.
3. The **Outdoor Worship** experience gives us the opportunity to observe our environs and take notice of the needs and concerns of the society.
4. The **Outdoor Worship** experience facilitates a special fellowship among us as a family in Christ as we eat together and talk together and have fun together.
5. The **Outdoor Worship** experience is a unique means of witnessing for Christ as we deliberately introduce Christ by worshipping in that manner in that place. We therefore need to be careful what witness we offer.

I therefore caution us to take care to be on our ‘**best behaviour**’ on that day, mindful that we represent Christ, the Moravian Church and the Bethlehem and Faith congregations.

1. Whilst dressing comfortably and casually, take care to dress modestly in accordance with your purpose of **worship and witness**.
2. Bear in mind at all times the adage: “Cleanliness is next to Godliness”.
3. Be careful to remain safe at all times and to ensure the safety of all those in your charge, especially the children and others with special needs.
4. Remember the admonition of scripture: “Let all things be done decently and in order.” (1 Cor. 14:40)
5. Take the opportunity and challenge to build a new relationship with another member of the congregation.
6. Demonstrate the pleasure and joy that is yours because of Christ and through him.

May God bless you and cause you to be a blessing through this **Outdoor Worship** experience.



Worship Hours at Bethlehem:

- Sunday School: @ 9:00 am
 - Divine Worship: Sundays @ 10:00 am
 - Holy Communion – 1st Sunday of each month @ 10:00 am – *the 1st Sunday of July Service will be at Calvary when we commemorate together as Moravians the martyrdom of John Hus*
 - Bible Study – Wednesdays at 7:30 pm
 - Prayer Meeting and Fasting – every 4th Wednesday at 7:30 pm
 - Pastor’s Office Hours: Fridays – 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
 - Assisting with this month’s Worship experience:
 - The **Elders**: Cleaning and Preparing the Sanctuary.
 - The **Women’s Fellowship**: Readings and Prayer.
 - **Drum Lessons** – 6:00 pm on Fridays
 - **Dance Rehearsals** – 3:00 pm on Saturdays
 - **Holy Communion** to Sick & Shut-In – June 4th.
 - **Women’s Fellowship** Meetings – 2nd Tues., @ 6 pm.
 - **Father’s Day Service** will be conducted by the Women’s Fellowship on Sunday, June 16th at 10 am.
 - **Outdoor Worship, joint with Faith**, will take place on Sunday, June 23rd at the King George V Memorial Park. Come let us fellowship together.
 - **Annual Convention & Holy Communion Service** – Sun., July 7th at Calvary, Roebuck Street (no Service at local congregations). Please remember to **bring in your Convention Envelope before the 1st Sunday in July** as your envelopes are to be recorded at your home congregation.
 - The next **Board of Elders’** meeting will be in **July**.
- #### Conference-wide Events
- The **Moravian Voice** Broadcast – LIFE 97.5 FM every Wednesday @ 8:00 pm.
 - Lay Academy classes “**Introduction to the New Testament – Acts to Revelations**” at Calvary Moravian Church every Monday from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Group presentations continue.
 - **Centenary’s WF Anniversary Singspiration** – Sunday, June 2nd at 4:00 pm
 - **Pre-Synod Video Conference** – Saturday, June 8th
 - Sharon’s **Flower Festival “God’s Promise”** – Saturday to Monday – June 8th to 10th.
 - **Centenary’s WF Lecture – “Alzheimer’s Disease”**: Sat., June 15th at 4:00 pm by Dr. Brian McLachlan.
 - **Moravian Women’s Conference** (Inter-Provincial) – June 20th to 23rd in North Carolina. Sis. Joyce Walcott and Rev. Hamblin will attend.
 - **Youth Council Moonlight Event** – Friday, June 28th at 7:00 pm at Carlisle Bay.
 - **Conference’s Evangelism Week** – July 1st to 5th.
 - **Provincial Synod** will be held July 15th to 19th, 2019 in Barbados.

On the Road to Synod

Provincial Synod 2019

Synod 2019 will get going with a 'Provincial Pre-Synod Meeting to facilitate a review and discussion of Synod reports and to provide pertinent information to delegates in order to expedite the business of the 32nd Provincial Synod when it convenes in July 2019'. This Pre-Synod meeting takes place via video conferencing on Saturday, June 8th. For this video conference, the Barbados delegation will meet at the DC Moore Centre, same as for the main Synod meeting in July.

From as early as July 12th, the delegates and observers of the 32nd Provincial Synod of the EWI Province will begin arriving on the island. There will be 80 official delegates to Synod, drawn from the six (6) Conferences, and the Grenada mission. Another 22 persons will accompany as observers. The Synod will commence with the Synod Retreat conducted by the Bishops, and the Opening Service on Monday, July 15th. The Service of Holy Communion and Installation of the PEC will officially conclude the Synod on July 18th.

Synod business will include the presentation, discussion and adoption of all synod reports, plus the discussion of the several proposal generated within the Conferences or at the Synod. These discussions will take place within eight Synod Committees as follows:

SYNOD COMMITTEES 2019	
Constitution	Christian Education & Youth
Finance	Evangelism & Mission
Ministry & Theological Education \ Ministerial Review & Discipline	Social Action \ Miscellaneous Business \ Fraternal Relations
Doctrine, Ritual & Worship	Editorial

Election of the PEC (Provincial Elders' Conference) to serve for the ensuing inter-synodal period will take place during the Synod.

Moravian History

June 17, 1722
The Founding of Herrnhut

WALK-UP OFFERINGS:

- 1st Sunday Bethlehem's Building Fund
- 2nd Sunday "Youth With A Mission"
- 3rd Sunday 32nd Provincial Synod (*hosting expenses*)
- 4th Sunday Bethlehem's Quota Arrears

HANDY HOUSEHOLD TIP:

Try this – A **Luminous** Light Switch!!

If you apply a dab of some 'glow-in-the-dark' paint on the tip of your light-switches, it means no more groping in the dark for you! Fluorescent/glow-in-the-dark paint is available at any hardware store.

A BIT OF CHURCH HUMOUR

Satan was striking up an ongoing argument with Jesus about who was better on the computer. He had been trying to challenge Jesus for days, and frankly God was tired of the 'back-and-forth'.

Finally God said, 'THAT'S IT! I have had enough. I am going to set up a test that will run for two hours, and from those results, I will judge who does the better job.'

So Satan and Jesus sat down at the keyboards and typed away. They e-mailed with attachments and without attachments. They downloaded. They did spreadsheets! They wrote reports. They faxed. They created labels and cards. They created charts and graphs. They did some genealogy reports. They did every job known to man.

Jesus worked with heavenly efficiency and Satan was faster than 'a bat out of hell'. Then, ten minutes before their time was up, lightning suddenly flashed across the sky, thunder rolled, rain poured, and, of course, the power went off.

Satan stared at his blank screen and screamed every curse word known in the underworld.

Jesus just sighed.

Finally the electricity came back on, and each of them restarted their computers. Satan started searching frantically, screaming: 'It's gone! 'All gone!' I'm defeated! 'I lost everything when the power went out!'

Meanwhile, Jesus quietly started printing out all of his files from the past two hours of work.

Satan observed this and became irate. 'Wait!' he screamed. 'That's not fair! He cheated! How come he has all his work and I don't have any?'

God just shrugged and said,

JESUS SAVES....

Moravian News

A Focus on the Family

RECEPTION – MAY 5TH

We welcomed a new addition to the Bethlehem family with the Reception of Sis. Marcia Jones.

INFANT BAPTISM – MAY 19TH

Another new addition occurred – Baby Lathaniel, born to Bro. Shane and his wife Sis. Kristen Alleyne, was baptised during the 10:00 am service by Rev. Roslyn Hamblin.



At left: Infant Baptism – Baby Lathaniel Alleyne

PANEL DISCUSSION – MAY 20TH

A Panel Discussion on the topic "**RELATIONSHIPS 411**" was organised by Bethlehem Moravian Church in the Cuthbert Pilgrim Memorial Hall starting at 7:30 pm. Panelists were (*see photo below*):

- Jeaneta Waithe (*second from right*), Clinical and Health Psychologist, and a Director at Network Services Centre;
- Norma Bynoe (*at right*), Deputy Chief Public Health Nurse, having served in the HIV/AIDS Management Unit and the Family Planning Department; and
- Frederick Bailey (*at left*), a Primary School Teacher, and Ordained Minister in the Christian Mission Church.



The Moderator for the evening was Robyn Weekes (*second from left*), a Pensions & Retirement Plan Agent.

Sub-topics discussed included:

- Parent/Child Relationship (Communication);
- Youth & Sexuality;
- Peer Relationships and Bullying; and
- Social Media & Interpersonal Relationships.

Important points noted were the necessity of:

- Effective Communication;
- Effective Listening;
- Timing;
- Responsibility; and
- Biblical standards and connection to God.

The Vote of Thanks was given by Bro. Maurice Quintyne.

FAMILY FUN FIESTA – MAY 24TH

An evening of games and fellowship was held at the Cuthbert Pilgrim Memorial Hall and persons were invited to dress in a family colour or family theme.



(*At right: A section of the Charades Teams in thought*).

A prize was presented to the themed couple for the evening.

CHOIR CONCERT – MAY 25TH

The Choir hosted a Concert under the theme “**LOVE CHANGES EVERYTHING**”.



Above: Our Choir & Director during one of the performances

FAMILY SERVICE - MAY 26TH

Family groupings participated in the Worship experience

- Children's Chat: The Yarde family – husband and wife;
- Bible Lesson: the Omeir Family – mother and son;
- Leading Worship: The Ince Family – husband and wife; and
- Collecting and Blessing the Offering: The Youth. An all-encompassing prayer was offered by Sis. Tara Holder.

Prizes and surprises were in store for the:

- Family with three generations present – the prizes were received by Diana Yarde, Lena Edwards, and Earl Alleyne on behalf of their families.
- First couple to be at Church that morning – the prize was received by the Hollingsworth couple.



Celebrating Our Dads

As we celebrate FATHER'S DAY we as Christian bring to mind our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Guidelines for the role of His Father are seen as He taught us how to pray (Matt. 6:6-13).

A Father is a co-partner in producing children from man and woman relationship. I have solicited and obtained views on the roles and benefits of being a father and the importance of the father's contribution to their children's growth and development.



As Christian parents we must teach our children The Lord's Prayer from their earliest stage of development: The Lord's Prayer provides us with the principle guideline for living and identity: the role of a father both on earth and in heaven.

Here are some ideas on fathering that have been shared by others:

- Treating your children as individuals as this helps to open them up to positive relationships, to develop their self-image and their level of independence;
- Their capacity to respect others and their differences and how to relate to siblings, other family members, the extended family and the wider community including the teachers in school, other children and the neighbours;
- Fathers, in collaboration with mothers, teach them skills for living and relating to others – the "PLEASE" and "THANK YOU", the "I LOVE YOU", and other social graces necessary to live with others people;
- Fathers also teach their children skills for living and relating to others, self-image/respect and self-sufficiency, helpfulness at home, school, and in the community;
- Fathers and mothers must agree on how to deal with the care, development and guidance of their children. Both parents must teach their children how to resolve conflicts in a satisfactory manner. Both parents and particularly the father must teach their children about consequences of their actions and behaviours.

My own father and grandfather taught me the following:

- Punctuality;
- How to give from the heart;
- Generosity/Sharing;
- Worshipping together;
- Doing special things for the family e.g. baking muffins;
- Problem solving;
- How to have a positive self-image, self-esteem and self-respect; -
- How to care for and help others unselfishly;
- The consequences of inappropriate behaviour e.g. lying, stealing, being untidy, disobedience, selfishness;
- How to choose friends and company;
- How to have fun and enjoy yourself.

We thank God for our fathers and the roles they have performed and shared with us towards our development as responsible citizens in God's kingdom.

Submitted by: Sis. Marva Alleyne



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Sis. Marjorie Worrell	246-437-1805
Sis. Odessa Haynes	246-426-8663
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BIRTHDAYS – JUNE

02 – Sis. Emily Forde
04 – Sis. Shirley Hinds-Oaks
12 – Bro. Ronaldo Callender
13 – Bro. Victor Nelson
29 – Rev. Roslyn Hamblin
30 – Bro. Earl Alleyne

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES – JUNE

01 – Bro. Michael & Sis. Pamela Holder
13 – Bro. Jerry & Sis. Wendy Evelyn Knight
25 – Bro. Cecil & Sis. Clauzel Forde
27 – Bro. Ethelbert & Sis. Odessa Haynes



Teen/Youth Corner

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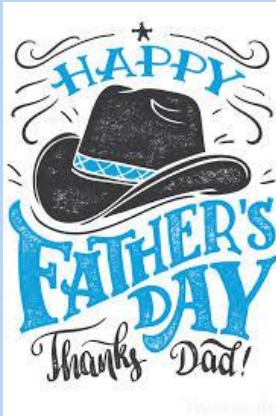
'Different Names for Father'

Poem

Friendship

Friendship is a true treasure found;
Precious and durable as a diamond.
The dirt of doubt is stripped away;
The gem called trust emerges to stay,
With appreciation and nourishment,
Continued supportive encouragement,
Surviving through the darkest night,
Brightly shining in the dimmest light,
Through tests, trials, tears sublime,
Growing and surviving the test of time:
Encompassing and developed to maturity;
Renewed and continuing for an eternity.

Written by: Sis. Clauzel Forde



*A Wonderful Father's Day to all Dads,
Step-fathers, Grand-fathers, and God-
fathers!*

Exams are coming to an end and summer is fast approaching. Let us continue to lift all our children up in prayer.

A D O E R D C D K R R U P A M
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