

THE NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH

Sunday, April 11 – 2nd Sunday of Easter - 10:00am

Rev. Duane Ullrich, Pastor

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WELCOME! We are glad that you are here to join with us in this Season of Easter, for Easter Sunday is just the beginning of our encounters with Christ, our risen Lord.. If there is anything we can do to help make your experience with us a worshipful one for you today, please ask an usher.

Please note that we are Live-Streaming this service. To be considerate to those who will be joining us online, we will be starting our services as close to 10am as possible.

Thank you for silencing your cell phone.

GREETINGS AND WELCOME

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK:

“If we walk in the light as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.”

1 John 1:7

PRAYER FOR THE DAY:

“Where is our treasure, Lord? Help us to offer open and giving hands to you and to your people, destroying barriers of greed that can shield us from you. Amen.”

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

This is a holy place. God’s peace is whispered here,
challenging every fear.

This is a holy place.

This is a holy place, where grace is freely given,
wrapped up in strands of heaven.

This is a holy place.

This is a holy place, where heaven breaks through
and offers us new life.

This is a holy place.

This is a holy place. God’s Word is opened,

and the Gospel is spoken.

This is a holy place.

Come! Let us worship God together.

***SONGS OF PREPARATION**

“I Will Enter His Gates” G&P #168

**I will enter His gates
with thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter His courts with praise;
I will say, “This is the day
that the Lord has made.”
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.**

**He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for
He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for
He has made me glad.**

“Because He Lives” G&P #123

**Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives**

“I Live” G&P #124

**I live, I live because He is ris’n
I live, I live with pow’r over sin.
I live, I live because He is ris’n.
I live, I live to worship Him.
Thank you, Jesus’
Thank you, Jesus!
Because You’re alive
Because You’re alive
Because You’re alive, I live.**

***AN EASTER AFFIRMATION**

Hope was gone. It had died with Jesus. Dreams of a new future vanished. Disciples cowered together in fear. Then came news from the tomb. Christ is alive. The Lord is risen!

FROM THE GOSPEL: CHRIST IS ALIVE. THE LORD IS RISEN.

The Lord is risen, indeed!

The risen Lord appeared to faithful women. He appeared to the disciples behind locked doors. He appeared to Mary in the garden. Then He appeared to more than 500 witnesses. They were convinced. The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed!

Hope was born. Death is defeated. Disciples are deployed. Go, tell the world. The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed!

It was like doors were flung open. New light shown in their lives. New opportunities for transformation. New avenues for service. What a difference. The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed.

Disciples dispersed. The word spread through the city. It spread through the province. It spread throughout the known world. The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed!

Lives were changed. Societies were changed. The course of human history was forever changed because Christ conquered death. The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed!

Praise be to God! Glory and honor and power and majesty belong to our God! Let the word go out. Let every knee bow and every tongue confess that the Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed!

To Him who by means of His power working in us can do so much more than we can ever think of, or ask for: to God be the glory in the church, and in Christ Jesus for all time, forever and ever!

Amen!

(Please be seated)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Lord, Your love is boundless and Your grace exceeds our imaginations. You keep finding ways to be among us, even when our hearts are hidden, even when doors of our souls are locked. You seek us out. We cannot hide, but we can

confess that sin has us in its grip.

It has led us from Your ways, and corrupted our best intentions, making us believe that You don't notice, that You aren't even present. Correct our vision. Cleanse our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome You and receive the fullness of what You have given us in Christ Jesus. Amen.

READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE

The New Testament:	Acts 4:32-35	
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The Epistle:	I John 1:1-2:2	Page
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The Gospel:	John 20:19-31	
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SPECIAL MUSIC

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

“Doubt No More”

HYMN “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” **MBW**
#713

(alternate tune: MBW #403)

- 1 We walk by faith, and not by sight;
no gracious words we hear
from one who spoke as none e'er spoke,
but we believe him near.**
- 2 We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod,
yet in his promise we rejoice,
and cry, “My Lord and God!”**
- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found:**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Response: P&W #221

**I cast all my cares upon You,
I lay all of my burdens, down at Your feet.
And anytime, I don't know what to do,**

I will cast all my cares upon You.

**PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
INVITATION**

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE “Praise God....”**

MBW #817

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above you heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***HYMN “We Are Called to Be God’s People!” MBW #635**

- 1. We are called to be God’s people
Showing by our lives his grace,
One in heart and one in spirit,
Sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how He has changed us
And remade us as His own
Let us share our life together
As we shall around His throne**

- 2. We are called to be God’s servants
Working in His world today
Taking His own tasks upon us
All His sacred words obey
Let us rise then to His summons
Dedicate to Him our all
That we may be faithful servants
Quick to answer now His call**

- 3. We are called to be God’s prophets
Speaking for the truth and right
Standing firm for godly justice
Bringing evil into light
Let us seek the courage needed
Our high calling to fulfill
That we all may know the blessing**

that we all may know the blessing
Of the doing of God's will.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The song/hymn notations indicate where songs are located:

MBW – the Moravian Book of Worship

(These songs will also be projected on the screen.)

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*Put your finger here;
see my hands.
Reach out your hand and
put it into my side.
Stop doubting and believe*

John 20: 27