

**NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH**  
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**3rd<sup>d</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 13, 2021**

**GREETINGS!** It is wonderful to be able to resume our In-Person Services. In addition, we are continuing to Live-Stream our services, as well as continuing to post a video of the service for later viewing (our Sunday Replay).

However, the reality is that the Covid-19 pandemic is NOT OVER. Yes, some conditions are better. Many are now “fully vaccinated,”(now almost 70% of New Yorkers) there are still people who are not vaccinated or are still at risk.

Therefore, while conditions are improving, and we are able to resume more of our in-person services and activities, we still must act responsibly. For those who are still at risk, we ask your cooperation to help keep everyone as safe as possible. We ask that **ALL** persons wear a mask while walking in the building. Masks do not have to be worn while you are in the pews. Thank you.

**Our Thanks to this week’s Online Worship Leaders:**

- Worship Leader: **Pastor Duane Ullrich**
- Lector: **Frank Taverna**
- Guest Musician: **Jelena Cingara**
- Greeter: **Mr. Richard Simpson**
- Video Editor & Tech Advisor: **Andrew Kay**

**Confirmation was not postponed.**

Because of a positive Covid-19 test we thought we would have to postpone the Confirmation service. However, when the student was retested, it came back negative! So, last Sunday, six of our Youth were able to make their Confirmation of Faith: Jack Cohen, John-Carmine Campagna, Evangeline Carolan, Michael Alesia, Logan Kay, and Brielle Loize.

**Guest Musician**

Our musician for the next 8 weeks will be **Jelena Cingara**. Our Music Director, **Dylan Sauerwald**, has been invited to an associate conductor at the Des Moines Metro Opera summer festival. This is one of the biggest opera festivals in

the country, and is a unique opportunity for him.

### ***Seeds for Thought:***

In today's Gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of God with a tiny seed growing up from the ground and out into the world, offering branches of protection and rest. Its large size suggests strength to withstand the elements that might bend or break it. When we have even a small seed of faith, it can grow into the strongest part of our lives, with branches making their way through our words and actions. When this happens, we not only take shelter in our faith, but attract others to come and find rest in the Kingdom of God.

## **Upcoming Events and Opportunities**

### **Blessing of the Animals**

Blessing of the Animals was last Saturday. If you missed it, (or just forgot) contact the Church Office to set up a time when you can bring your pet to receive this blessing.

### **TODAY:**

**There will be a reception** after the service, honoring **Frank & Debbie Taverna**. Before they move to Florida we want to thank them for their many years of service to our church. They have served on every Board and most of our committees. They were Youth leaders, the Treasurer, the head of building committees and more.

### **Sunday, June 20 – Father's Day**

### **Thur. & Friday, June 24-25**

Delegates will be logging in for a virtual gathering of the 2021 Synod of the Eastern District

### **Sunday, June 27**

10am                    **Baptism of Madeline Bazzoni**  
11:15am **Coffee & Fellowship** in honor of **Ray Heins**  
with a Memorial Service to follow.

### **September - Trash & Treasure**

The Outreach Committee has tentatively set September as the month that our Trash & Treasure Sales will resume, if Covid guidelines permit it and Jt. Board gives approval.

### **Sunday, October 10 - Octoberfest**

The tentative date for this year's Octoberfest is October 10. More details coming later, but mark your calendars today.

### **Date TBD – Clothing Sort**

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### **Tech Crew Invitation**

Anyone who would like to be part of our tech crew and learn the basics of operating our new equipment in the Church and Conference Center, please talk to Andrew Kay, or contact the Church Office.

### **Office Hours**

Our official Hours for the Church Office will continue to be on Mondays and Thursdays from 9am – 1pm. Please leave a message at 718-351-0090 or send us an email if you have a concern, a question or need assistance.

Office Email: [office@newdorpMoravian.org](mailto:office@newdorpMoravian.org)

Pastor Duane: [pastorduane@verizon.net](mailto:pastorduane@verizon.net)

### **Prayers:**

In your prayers this week:

- For continued success in distribution of the Covid-19 vaccine, and a continuing lowering of the NYC positivity rate.
- For those who have experienced prejudice or abuse, and for those who have been victims of race-related attacks.
- For those who have been under the stress caused by the current heat wave. Note: Whenever there is a heat wave, the Conference Center is available to be used as a Cooling Center.
- For **Carl Ullrich**, Pastor Duane's father. Pastor Duane has been in Wisconsin with his father and his sisters as his father's time with us nears its end. Also remember his sisters, Joann Fahrenkrug and Susan Cashin.
- A prayer of thanks for the many ways that **Frank & Debbie Taverna** have shared their faith and talents with our Church, and a prayer for God's blessings in this new venture.

### **NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission of the New Dorp Moravian Church is:

To **Grow** in Christ, to **Know** His love, to **Follow** His Footsteps.

**CONGREGATION WATCHWORD for 2021**

The Moravian Church is a Protestant church. Moravians are Trinitarian (God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit), are Christ-centered (affirming the Lordship of Jesus Christ by His life, death and resurrection) and affirm the Old and New Testaments as sacred scripture. Moravians affirm and value the ancient Creeds (e.g. The Apostle’s Creed) but believe that equally important is how we live in relationship with God and others. Moravians have emphasized the sacredness of living our faith rather than just reciting it or preaching it.

If you would like to know more about what a “Moravian” is, are looking for a new church home, or just want to talk with someone about a concern or your faith, Pastor Duane would be glad to speak with you. He can be reached by phone or email to arrange a time.

To contact Pastor Duane, you may call or email him at:

Office Phone: (718) 351-0090. Email: [PastorDuane@verizon.net](mailto:PastorDuane@verizon.net).

For Pastoral emergencies after office hours: (718) 351-4047.

If you have an idea, a suggestion, a concern, or are interest in serving on a committee, please speak with our Pastor or one of the Board members.

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