

NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH
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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,” but there are still people who are not vaccinated or are still at high 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 high 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**
- Guest Musician: **Jelena Cingara**
- Greeter: **Mr. Richard Simpson**
- Video Editor & Tech Advisor: **Andrew Kay**

Seeds for Thought:

The lessons for today bring with them a message of hope. They tell of times when people, in the midst of grief, and after years of ailments, felt the uplifting, healing touch of God. The promise for us, which is the source of our hope, is that when we are surrounded by the deepest gloom and despair, we are surrounded by that same loving touch - a touch that can heal all our pain, and doubts and grief. May you feel that healing touch as you worship with us today.

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

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

TODAY:

10am **Baptism of Madeline Bazzoni**
11:15am **Coffee & Fellowship** in honor of **Ray Heins**

Sunday, July 4 - Independence Day

10am Worship (In-person & Live-streamed)

July 6 - The John Hus Festival

**July 6 - Anniversary of New Dorp Moravian
258 yrs.**

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.

Congratulations & Welcome

Today we are celebrating the Baptism of **Madeline Elena Bazzoni**, daughter of **Nicholas** and **Jillian Bazzoni**. We
want
to welcome everyone who is here today to celebrate with them.

Memorial Celebration

Today we are also remembering and honoring **Ray Heins**,
our long-time sexton and sacristan. The family is hosting the
fellowship hour today. There will also be a **Memorial Service**
this afternoon at **about 1pm**. All are invited to attend.

Prayers:

Last week we were saddened by the news of the passing of
Valarie Ferguson, wife of the **Rev. Wellesley Ferguson**,
pastor of Vanderbilt Ave. Moravian and Brooklyn Fellowship
churches. Services for her will be held later this summer. Cards
may be sent to the family at: **271 Vanderbilt Ave. 10304**.
Let us keep **Pastor Ferguson**, his son, **Joshneil** and his
daughter, **Jalethea** in your prayers

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Also for your prayers this week:

- 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 **Theresa Dewidar** who is recovering at home following hip replacement surgery.
- For the **Joint Board** as they continue the Call process
- For the **new President of the Eastern District Executive Board** and **for the clergy and laity** that were elected to this Board by last week's Eastern District Synod.
- Of gratitude to **the Rev. David Bennet** who concluded 13 years of service as our District President with this synod, and who will now begin serving as Chaplain of Moravian Manor in Bethlehem.
- For continued success in distribution of the Covid-19 vaccine, and a continuing lowering of the NYC positivity rate, and for continued caution with new variants.



The John Hus Festival

This festival marks the occasion of the martyrdom of John Hus. In 1415, Hus had been charged with heresy by the Council of Constance. On July 6, 1415, after refusing to recant his testimony, Hus was condemned by the Council as a heretic and was burned at the stake.

His message of fidelity to the truth (“Seek the truth, listen to the truth, learn the truth, love the truth, speak the truth, abide by the truth, defend the truth unto death.”) continued on, and led followers of Hus to establish an intentional community they called the ***Unitas Fratrum***, Latin for “***Unity of the Brethren***.” This community of faith would later become known as the Moravian Church. This year marks the 606th anniversary of Hus’ martyrdom.

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

“You are the salt of the earth.” *Matthew 5:13*

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

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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