

NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH
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6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 11, 2021

GREETINGS! It is wonderful to be able to resume many of the in-person activities, from going out to restaurants and shopping, to going on trips and attending worship. It has been even better in the fact that we have been able to do more without masks.

However, the reality is that the Covid-19 pandemic is NOT OVER. Yes, conditions are much 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, for the safety of those who are still at high risk, we ask your cooperation. 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 or while sitting at tables. Also, please be aware that some are still uncomfortable shaking hands, receiving hugs or people standing too close.

While streaming our services was essential during the shut-downs, we are committed to continue Live-Streaming our services and posting a recording of the service on YouTube for later viewing. .

Our Thanks to this week’s Online Worship Leaders:

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

Seeds for Thought:

In our Old Testament lesson, the prophet Amos wrote about a plumb-line. A plumb-line is a weight on a string that lets a carpenter know if a beam is level or a wall is leaning. It is important because an “off-plumb” house may be a hazard, or it could even fall down. We live with various plumb-lines: rules and laws to guide our living; Commandments and Jesus’ teachings to guide our faith journey. The key is to pay attention and realize that some of our choices and habits are causing our lives and our faith to be “off-plumb,” and then make the necessary changes before it is too late. The questions for today: What in your life today is “off-plumb?” And what are you going to do about it?

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 **Worship (In-person & Live-streamed)**
11:15am **Coffee & Fellowship**

Wednesday, July 14

6:30 pm **Free Summer Movie Night**
(Reminder: there is no meal before the film)

Friday, July 16

7:00 pm **Oktober in July**

Sunday, July 18

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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 - Oktoberfest (in October, too)

The tentative date for our regular Oktoberfest is October 10. More details coming later, but mark your calendars today.

Oktober in July

On **Friday, July 16** we will be holding the first of two Oktoberfest-style evenings. There will be German music, German food, and traditional German beverages. The evening starts at 7pm. The music will be provided by our very own **Bavarian Kings**. Tickets will be available at the door.

Hosts are needed for the **Coffee and Fellowship Hour**.
Sign Up in the Coffee area.

Thank You to those who assisted with the Going Home Service for **Valarie Ferguson** last Friday. It was greatly appreciated.

Wednesday Summer Movie Nights will be starting this week.
Enjoy the comfort of an air conditioned theater, complete with a new sound and projection system every Wednesday this Summer **starting July 14**. Show time will be at about **6:30 pm**. Unlike last year, until we get better organized we will not start with a fellowship meal. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

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 as a Cooling Center.**
- For **Pastor Ferguson**, his son, **Joshneil** and his daughter, **Jalethea** in your prayers.
- For **Florida and the East Coast** and the arrival of the first storm of the hurricane season, now **Tropical Storm Elsa**, knowing this may be the first, but it won't be the last of this season's storms.
- For those who are continuing to deal with **the tragic collapse of the apartment building in Florida** – For those who died, for those who are still unaccounted for, for those who are working on the debris, and for those waiting for news.
- For former **President Jimmy Carter** and his wife, **Rosalynn** who just celebrated their **75th Wedding Anniversary!**
- For the **Joint Board** as they continue the Call process.

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

“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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