

NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH
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8th Sunday after Pentecost
July 18, 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.

Many in NYC are now “fully vaccinated,” but Staten Island has several “hot spots” where rates are again increasing. There are also some adults and children who are not vaccinated or are still at high risk.

Therefore, while we have resumed some of our activities and programs, for the safety of those who are still at 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. When possible, please continue social distancing, as some are still uncomfortable shaking hands, receiving hugs or having unmasked people standing in their “comfort zone.”

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**
- Guest Musician: **Jelena Cingara**
- Greeter: **Mr. Richard Simpson**
- Video Editor & Tech Advisor: **Andrew Kay**

Seeds for Thought:

Where is God’s Place, the Place where are confident that we will find and experience God? In the wilderness wanderings, God’s Place was a tent, carried from location to location by the People of Israel.

In Jerusalem, God’s Place was a grand Temple. In our Gospel, however, we find that “God’s Place” is not restricted to a building. As Jesus taught on the hillsides, and healed people of their ailments and diseases, we learn that “God’s Place” is among the people – wherever they happen to be. Let us rejoice that God is with us here in this Sanctuary now, but is also with us wherever we happen to be at the moment.

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 21

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

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.

Saturday, 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.

Clothes to Sort

The Outreach Committee is “re-inventing” the Clothing Project. We will be working to network with agencies. We will collect and sort, but the agencies will do the distribution. It will

mean that there won't be a massive two-day give-away directly to individuals, however there are still clothes to be sorted, and our collection in the basement is growing and here is how YOU can help:

1. Join a group of all sorts of people. Sorting days will be announced soon.
2. Come sort on your own when the office is open.
3. Let us know if you know of a group or agency that

5. Let us know if you know of a group or agency that is looking for clothes.

Hosts are needed for the **Coffee and Fellowship Hour**.

Sign Up in the Coffee area.

Readers and Lectors are needed to help lead our services.

Sign Up in the Coffee area.

The Ferguson family has expressed their thanks to NDMC for hosting the Going Home Service for **Valarie Ferguson**, is grateful for all who assisted during the day.

Wednesday Summer Movie Nights have resumed.

Enjoy the comfort of an air conditioned theater, complete with a new sound and projection system every Wednesday this Summer. 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.
- Congratulations to **Bob Iadarola** and **Maria Glorioso** as Maria's daughter **Courtney**, had a baby on July 3rd. His name is **Caden James**.
- 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 the **Joint Board** as they continue the Call process.

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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