

NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH
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8th Sunday after Pentecost
July 25, 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:

The lessons today continue the theme from last week: God’s abundant presence sustains us in any and all circumstances. God provides more than we need - food, grace, salvation. The words in Ephesians emphasize that we have been given all that is needed to live out our faith - Christ dwelling in our hearts. The first recipients of this letter were part of a small church within a much larger society. This affirmation of Christ’s presence in them was encouraging to them and their faith. The Good News for us is this active presence continues. Christ is within us/you, too

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 28

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

Sunday, August 1

10am **Worship (In-person & Live-streamed)**
11:15am **Coffee and Fellowship**

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.

Thank You, Jelena!

Jelena Cingara who has been our Guest Musician while our Music Director, Dylan Sauerwald, has been on leave. This is her last Sunday with us (for now) and we wish to thank her for her music and for helping to lead us in worship.

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, as others are still clothes to be

directly to individuals, however there are still clothes to be sorted. Watch for announcements on the next Sorting Day.

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.

Volunteers are needed to help produce the weekly graphics and PowerPoint presentations. For information, speak with Pastor

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 Joel Russell**, pastor of Bethel and Goshen Moravian Churches in North Dakota who was involved in a Jeep accident with injuries to his ribs and sternum.
- For those dealing with recent incidents of **gun violence** in Philadelphia, Washington DC, here in NYC, and more.
- For the dangers and destruction of Western wildfires. (Smoke is so widespread that it has reached us in NYC.)
- 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. Complicating the process is the transfer of leadership to a new District President – from the Rev. David Bennett to the Rev. Melissa Johnson. Please keep them in your prayers as well.

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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