

**NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH**  
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***12th Sunday after Pentecost***  
***August 15, 2021***

***GREETINGS!*** It has been wonderful to be worship with you in-person this morning. It has been wonderful to see your faces and your smiles that have been hidden behind our masks. Unfortunately, this pandemic is not over yet. The CDC has noted “hot spots” where rates are again increasing. Much of the increase in cases involving the **Delta (Δ)** variant as well as a new **Lambda (Λ)** variant. A big concern is that in addition to being more contagious, our children appear to be more susceptible the new variants that to the original Covid-19.

While getting the vaccine is a matter of choice, for the sake of your health, as well as for the sake and safety of your loved ones and our children, **we strongly advise all eligible persons to get the vaccine** and observe all reasonable directives issued by the City and the CDC.

We ask that once again, **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. Please continue social distancing, as some are still uncomfortable shaking hands, receiving hugs or having unmasked people standing in their “comfort zone.”

Greetings to those joining us online. 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 Worship Leaders:**

- Worship Leader: **Pastor Duane Ullrich**
- Music Director: **Dylan Sauerwald**
- Lector: **Cara Kay**
- Greeter: **Richard Simpson**
- Video Editor & Tech Advisor: **Andrew Kay**

### **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)

## *Seeds for Thought:*

As we follow in faith, there will come times when we will be challenged to “practice what we preach.” It will be tempting to “walk away.” In today’s lesson, we learn that the Apostles struggled on more than one occasion, too. But when asked if they wished to leave, Peter said, “No. Where else would I go?” Peter knew that even if he didn’t always understand what Jesus was saying, and even if following Jesus would be difficult or dangerous, Jesus was still the One the he was going to listen to, and Jesus was the One he would follow. When the going gets tough, what Voice do you listen to?

## **Upcoming Events and Opportunities**

### **TODAY:**

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

11:15am **Coffee & Fellowship**

### **Wednesday, August 18**

6:30 pm **Free Summer Movie Night**

### **Sunday, August 22**

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 following CDC guidelines of masks and distancing.

### **September 26 - Pastor Duane’s last Official Sunday**

There will be a reception after the Service in the Parish House. His official retirement date is September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **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.

**Wednesday Summer Movie Nights** are continuing. Enjoy a fun film and fun fellowship in 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**. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

**Bereavement Groups** will soon be meeting in our Conference Center. If you are interested in being a part of a group, or want more information, speak with Pastor Duane.

**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.

**For your prayers this week:**

- For **those who are providing Covid19 shots**.
- For those who have been under the stress caused by the recent heat waves. **Note: Whenever there is a heat wave, the Conference Center is available as a Cooling Center.**
- For **those who are fighting the fires** and for **those who have lost homes and businesses** in Western States,
- For **Ed Ranieri**, who is undergoing treatments and rehab.
- For **Brielle Loize** as she recovers from back surgery.
- For **Joan Jahn's daughter, Susan**, who has been undergoing medical treatments.
- For **Arlene Banomo**, recovering from a fall and broken hip.
- For **"Beth"** who was hospitalized because of kidney stones.
- For the **Joint Board** as they continue the Call process.

## **The August 13<sup>th</sup> Festival**

**It was on August 13<sup>th</sup>, 1727** that the Moravians in Herrnhut, Germany experienced what they called "an outpouring of the Holy Spirit." The result of this outpouring was a dis-functional community coming together, working together, and finding a common mission. In 1732, they were sending missionaries to the Virgin Islands. By 1737 the Moravians made their way to Georgia and the Carolinas in the American Colonies. And by 1741 they had established themselves in Bethlehem, PA.

# 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](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.

### Board of Elders:

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