

THE MORAVIAN CHURCH AT NEW DORP

A Time of Worship – 10:00 AM

Sunday, December 12, 2021

Pastor - Bishop Chris Giesler  
Music Director – Mr. Dylan Sauerwald

**\*Indicates everyone who is able is invited to stand**

**Welcome.** We are glad that you are here to worship as we continue our Advent journey that will lead us to the Christ Child. As we gather on this Lord’s Day, let us turn our hearts toward God who calls to us in the “wilderness” moments of our lives to calm our storms, restore our hope and bring us peace. If there is a way that we can be of help to you today, please ask an Usher.

*As you prepare for worship, please remember to silence your cell phone.*

*A Prayer as You Prepare: “Giver of Life, we are blessed to be made in your image. May we honor each soul as a reflection of you, this day and always. Amen.”*

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: “Bear fruits worthy of repentance.”  
Luke 3:8

PRELUDE

\*SONGS OF PREPARATION

“Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord” **MBW #261**

“Come, O Long-Expected Jesus” **MBW #262**

\*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

\*A LITANY **on screen**

READINGS FROM THE SCRIPTURE

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The Old Testament: **Zephaniah 3:14-20** **Page 981**

The New Testament: **Philippians 4:4-7** **Page 212**

The Gospel: **Luke 3:7-18** **Page 61**

SPECIAL MUSIC

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

SERMON “John’s Proclamation of Joy!” Bishop Chris Giesler

HYMN: “On Jordan’s Banks the Baptist’s Cry” **MBW #267**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Response: *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord* **MBW #825**

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE “Praise God....” **MBW #817**

PRAYER

HYMN: “Immanuel To You We Sing” **MBW #280**

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

