

THE NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 26, 2021 – 9:30am

Bishop Chris Giesler

***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.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven. Psalm 148:13

A Prayer as You Prepare: Holy God, your goodness delivers us. Even in our dark moments, you break through to comfort and inspire. We are deeply blessed to be your own. Amen

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

***OPENING HYMN “Once in Royal David’s City” #292**

***A LITANY OF LESSONS AND CAROLS**

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

The people who walk in darkness receive the promise of the Messiah

CAROL “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” #286 vss. 1&4

SECOND LESSON Luke 1:26-35, 38

An angel appears to Mary and announces that she will bear a holy child

CAROL “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” #295

THIRD LESSON Luke 2:1-7

Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem, where Mary gives birth to her child

CAROL “Away in a Manger” #301

CHILDREN’S TIME

FOURTH LESSON Luke 2:8-16

Angels appear to shepherds in the fields and announce the birth of the Messiah

CAROL “Angels We Have Heard on High” #288

FIFTH LESSON Matthew 2:1-11

Magi from the East come seeking the Messiah and offer gifts to the baby Jesus

CAROL “We Three Kings of Orient Are” 297on screen

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*** RESPONSE “Praise God..... MBW #817**

PRAYER

SIXTH LESSON John 1:1-14

The Word of God becomes flesh and lives among us, full of grace and truth

CAROL “Silent Night, Holy Night” #297

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

***CLOSING HYMN “Joy to the World, the Lord is Come” #294**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE



Let your light shine before each and every person you meet. Such is the celebration of the Gift given at Christmas and fulfilled at Easter.