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Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 19, 2021

GREETINGS! We want to welcome everyone who is joining us for this service of worship – whether you are worshiping in-person, or joining us live on-line. We are committed to in-person services while following all Covid-related mandates and guidelines. We are also committed to continuing our Live-Stream and our recorded worship opportunities for later viewing. Let us know what we can do to improve your worship experience.

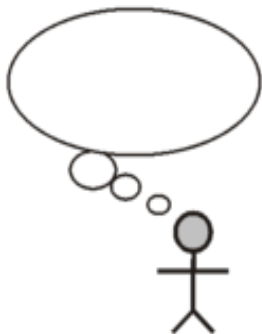
Our Thanks to this week's Worship Leaders:

- Worship Leader: **Bishop Chris Giesler**
- Music Director: **Dylan Sauerwald**
- Lector: **Marla DiForte**
- Greeter: **Richard Simpson**
- Video Editor & Tech Advisor: **Andrew Kay**

Office Hours :

The Office will be open on **Tuesdays** through **Thursdays** from **(9am-1pm)** and working remotely from home on Mondays and Fridays, monitoring phone calls and emails.

Seeds for Thought:



Today's texts announce that God gives birth to grace, new possibilities and salvation for everyone. On this Fourth Sunday of Advent, we are invited to wonder about God's purpose, even as we hope and trust that God's purpose is unfolding in our lives. Grace is God's gift to us so that we may trust in God's purposeful actions in our lives and in the world. May we respond with faith, as did Mary.

May we raise our voices in praise as did Isaiah and Paul. And may we all be made aware of the ways that we can respond to God's unfolding purpose during these final days of Advent.

Sunday mornings at 10:30am to pray over concerns that have been shared, mail out “We’re praying for you” cards, and giving out prayer shawls upon request. Also if anyone has prayers requests please fill out one of our prayer request cards and give them to the office. We will make sure your request is received.

Prayer Shawls

The knitting of prayer shawls is a Mission Project of the SI Moravian Churches. Great Kills is the coordinator. Shawls are available on request. New shawl knitters are always welcome.

2022 Daily Texts

The Moravian Daily Text Books for 2022 are available for purchase in the office. The cost is \$11 for Regular Print and \$14 for Large Print. A Kindle version is available on Amazon.com for \$8. You can also view it online at: www.moravian.org.

For your prayers this week:

- For the **Joint Boards of New Dorp and Great Kills** as they continue the Call process for a new pastor.

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, Emma would be glad to direct you to a Moravian Pastor, due to our New Dorp Pastor retiring. She can be reached by phone or email to arrange a time with a sister church.

To contact Emma, you may call or email her at:

Office Phone: (718) 351-0090. Email: Office@newdorpmoravian.org

If you have an idea, a suggestion, a concern, or are interest in serving on a committee, please speak with one of the Board members.

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