

**NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH**  
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***Second Sunday After the Epiphany***  
***January 16, 2022***

***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: **Jeremi Amagsila**
- 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:***



Epiphany is the Season of Light and a season of surprise. The story of young Samuel is full of surprise. The main surprise, is God choosing to come to the child, Samuel and not to Eli, the priest. It is the lesson that God is revealed to us in often unusual ways, unexpected places, and the least likely of candidates. This and the other texts for today challenge individuals of all ages to respond to

God's presence and God's call, even while learning to recognize it. They push us to listen to new messengers, and to carry God's message in new ways. Surprise! God is still speaking. Perhaps the question for us today is: Are we still listening?

## **NDMC COVID-19 Precautions and Protocols**

We ask that **ALL persons** to wear a mask while walking in and through the building. Masks do not have to be worn while sitting in the pews or while sitting at tables. Please practice social distancing. Be aware that some are still uncomfortable shaking hands or having unmasked people standing in their “comfort zone.”

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.

## **Upcoming Events and Opportunities**

### **TODAY: Guest Speaker Bishop Chris Giesler**

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|         | 10am | Worship (In-person & Live-streamed) |
| 10am    |      | Sunday School Classes               |
| 11:15am |      | Coffee & Reception                  |

### **Wednesday, January 19**

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|  | 10am | Sunrisers Meeting |
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### **Friday, January 21**

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|  | 8pm | Youth Group |
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### **Sunday, January 23**

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|         | 10am | Worship (In-person & Live-streamed)        |
|         |      | Guest Speaker: <b>Bishop Weber Riddick</b> |
|         | 10am | Sunday School Classes                      |
| 11:15am |      | Coffee & Reception                         |

## **Sunriser's Prayer Group**

The Sunriser's Prayer Group will be gathering this week, Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. If you have any prayer requests please call or email our office.

## **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.

## **Watchword for 2022**

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Thessalonians 5:9.

## **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](http://www.moravian.org).

## **Envelopes**

Offering Envelopes are available in the conference center.

## **Nominations Needed**

We are in need of nominations for Church Council. If you could get them to the church office before January 26th that would be wonderful. The Church Council meeting is scheduled for January 30th. We hope to see you all there!

## **Church Council Meeting**

There will be an Church Council meeting Monday, January 30th.

## **For your prayers this week:**

- For anyone affected by the newest variant of Covid, that they will heal fast and without much discomfort.
- For the **Joint Boards of New Dorp and Great Kills** as they continue the Call process for a new pastor.

The Mission of the New Dorp Moravian Church is:  
To **Grow** in Christ, to **Know** His love, to **Follow** His Footsteps.

## CONGREGATION WATCHWORD for 2022

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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](mailto: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.

### Board of Elders:

Stephen Greet (Vice-Chair)	Kim Loize (Christian Ed.)
Anna Gaw (Nominating)	Libby Neri
Alice Giovannello-Cohen	Ellie Wan
Jeremi Amagsila (Worship)	Jason Hoppe
Andrew Kay (Concerts)	

### Board of Trustees:

Bob Iadarola (Chair)	Richard Simpson (PH)
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(Treas)	
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