

**NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH**  
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*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter*  
*May 08, 2022*

**GREETINGS!** We want to welcome everyone who is joining us for this service of worship – whether you are worshipping 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.

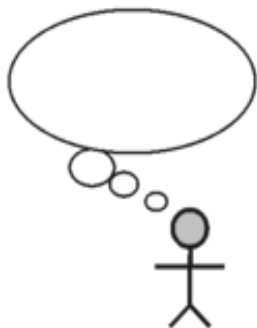
**Our Thanks to this week's Worship Leaders:**

- Worship Leader: **Pastor Wellesley Ferguson**
- Music Director: **Dylan Sauerwald**
- Lector: **Toni-Ann Fischetti**
- Greeter: **Richard Simpson**
- Video Editor & Tech Advisor: **Andrew Kay**

**Office Hours :**

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

***Seeds for Thought:***



Through our texts this morning, we hear the Good News that our God is like a good shepherd. Like a shepherd, God will have constant and careful watch over the people. The people will lack for nothing; their wandering will cease because their every need will be supplied. God, as shepherd of the world, as protector of the vulnerable, as defender of the persecuted, and feeder of the hungry these are the comforting images of today's passages. We are invited to live in the abundance and protection of God.

We are also invited to join the adventure of living our lives of grateful service and helping the Good Shepherd by feeding, tending, and loving the sheep entrusted to our care.

## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

### **TODAY: Pastor Wellesley Ferguson**

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

### **Wednesday, May 11**

1pm St. Cecilia Concert

### **Friday, May 13**

8pm Youth Group

### **Saturday, May 14**

1pm Joe Rudy Memorial Blessing of the Animals

### **Sunday, May 15**

10am Worship (In-person & Live-streamed)  
Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Weber Riddick  
10am Sunday School Classes  
11:15am Coffee & Reception

## **Welcome All**

We would like to welcome Pastor Wellesley Ferguson today and his congregation who are joining us from Vanderbilt Moravian Church this morning.

## **Mother's Day**

As you all know today is Mother's day. We at New Dorp Moravian want to wish all the mothers a lovely and peaceful day with their loved ones.

**Sunrise's Prayer Group**

## **Sunrises Prayer Group**

The Sunrises Prayer Group will be starting up soon. Keep an eye out for dates and times they will be meeting. If you have any prayer concerns, contact Marla DiForte!

## **VBS**

Due to Covid concerns we will not be hosting VBS this year.

## **Community Garden**

The planting season is just beginning. You can purchase your own plot or you can just come out to “weed and water” to help grow vegetables for the Project Hospitality Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen. The Garden is located behind the Castleton Hill parsonage on Victory Blvd. For information about Volunteering and upcoming work days, please contact the Castleton Hill Church Office at (718) 442-5215.

## **Blessing of the Animals**

This year’s blessing of the animals will be in memory of Joe Rudy and will be referred to as the Joe Rudy Memorial Blessing of the Animals. It will be held here at our church outside on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. For more information, please call Richard Simpson.

## **St. Cecilia Concert**

St. Cecilia will be performing here at our church, Wednesday, May 11 at 1pm. All are invited at no charge with refreshments to follow.

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

- For Pat Isola and her health
- For Alison Griggs, her continued recovery and her family
- For Jackie, her continued healing
- For Jackie Passburg’s continued path of healing
- For Cara Kay and her health
- For Ed Krogstad and his health
- For the war in the Ukraine, we pray for peace.
- For the **Joint Boards of New Dorp and Great Kills** as they continue the Call process for a new pastor.

*\*If you have a prayer request please contact the church office.*

# 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 2022

*“God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

*1 Thessalonians 5:9*

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.

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