

**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.

**CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD for 2024**

*Because he himself was tested by what he suffered,  
he is able to help those who are being tested. Hebrews 2:18*

The Moravian Church is a Protestant denomination with roots that predate Luther. It was founded in Moravia, now a part of the Czech Republic. Moravians have been serving Christ in the United States for over 250 years. We believe in God as Trinity, the Holy Bible as the primary guide for life and faith, the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, and spiritual growth through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. The Moravian Church is recognized and accepted by all major churches and is a Charter member of the National and World Councils of Churches. Please visit our denomination's website at [www.moravian.org](http://www.moravian.org) for more information.

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, please contact the Church Office for further information.

The Church Office can be reached by phone: (718)351-0090, or by email: [office@newdorpMoravian.org](mailto:office@newdorpMoravian.org). If you have an idea, a suggestion, a concern, or are interested in serving on a committee, please speak with one of the Board members.

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**Third Sunday after Epiphany  
January 21, 2024**

*Good Morning and Welcome!* We are glad that you made the decision to worship with us today. We are thankful for that, and hope that what you experience here today will lead you to come back and worship with us again. As you worship today, may the peace and the joy of the Lord be yours.

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

- Worship Leader: **Rev. Walter Bishop**
- Greeter: **Richard Simpson**
- Music Director: **James Siranovich**

## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

### Today

10:00 am Worship/Sunday School  
(in person & live streamed)  
After Worship Coffee/Reception  
NDMC Youth

### Monday, January 22

7:00 pm Trustees Meeting

### Wednesday, January 24

10:00 am Sunrisers

### Sunday, January 28

10:00 am Worship/Sunday School  
(in person & live streamed)  
After Worship Coffee/Reception/Church Council

**Church Council will be held immediately following worship next Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>.**

### Thank You

Isabel Ranieri and José Amagsila for being our counters this month.

### Comfort Room

There is a windowed room at the back of the sanctuary where parents may go with their infant children and still be engaged in the worship experience. Those not tending children are asked to sit with the congregation. Cushions may be available from the greeter for those who need them.

### Service Animals

Documented service animals are welcome. Other animals will not be welcomed in the worship space.

### Eye Glasses and Greeting Cards

We continue to collect both these items. You can put them in the marked boxes placed by the piano in the Conference Center.

### Coats, Hats, and Gloves

We are again collecting warm accessories to take to Vanderbilt Moravian Church for the monthly community dinners. A box is located in the entrance to the hallway of the Conference Center.

### Pastoral Visits

Please let Pastor Walter know if you are homebound, or in the hospital, and would like a pastoral visit. Others may schedule in-office visits by contacting the pastor.

### Fellowship Hour

The Coffee Hour following worship is a valuable opportunity for fellowship and getting to know one another. Would you sponsor the refreshments? There is a sign-up sheet in the coffee area. Expenses are reimbursed. You could help by donating regular and decaf coffee.

### Office Deadlines

If you have anything to add to the monthly newsletter the deadline for changes is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month.

If you have any additions to the weekly church service bulletin or announcements, the deadline for changes is “end-of-day” each Tuesday for the following Sunday service.

### For Your Prayers this week

**For health concerns:** John Diforte, Carmel McCarthy, Phyllis Collins, Jackie Passburg, Linda Griggs, Karen Ortado, Marie Moser, Connie Vadola, Dolores Cavallo, Lois Zipf, Maureen Massa, Ed Ranieri, the Douglas family, Richard Iadorola, Patricia Fouts, Libby Neri, Carol Buggé, Roger Acker, Donald Hulsizer, Jim Talley, Chuck Thorpe, Pat Isola (in rehab recovering from a fall), Joyce Fernandez (breast cancer/undergoing tests), Carol Grande (moved to rehab), Theresa Cruz, Lucille Alexander, Rev. Charlesworth Edwards, who is now in hospice care, as well as his wife (Maria) and daughter (Naomi), Brooke Haramijo, Denise Bove, undergoing treatment for cancer, the family of The Rt. Rev. Hopeton Clennon, the family of Rory DeCristoforo, the family of The Rev. Sandra Thigpen, and the family of Barney Manzo.

**For continued healing:** Deborah Griggs, and Alison Griggs.

Please keep the people of Israel and Palestine in your prayers, and also for the safe return of the Israeli hostages. May we also remember in prayer the war in Ukraine, as well as other unrest throughout the world.