

NEW DORP MORAVIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of New Dorp Moravian Church is:
To **GROW** in Christ, to **KNOW** His love, to **FOLLOW** His footsteps.

CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD for 2025

*“God, who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us,
how will he not with him also give us everything else?”*
Romans 8:32

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

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Third Sunday in Lent March 23, 2025

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: **Walter Bishop**
- Music Director: **Ji-Yong Kim**
- Greeter: **Richard Simpson**
- Lector: **Jeremi Amagsila**
- A/V Tech: **Steve Greet**

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Today

10:00 am Worship/Sunday School
After Worship: Coffee/Fellowship
Following Fellowship: Lenten Lunch & Movie
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm Middle/High School Youth Outing

Monday, March 24

7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

Sunday, March 30 Unity Prayer Day (observed)

10:00 am Worship/Sunday School
After Worship: Coffee/Fellowship
Following Fellowship: Lenten Lunch & Movie

Thank You Debbie Bishop, and helpers, for serving as our counters this month. **We still need volunteers for additional counters.** If you can serve in this way, please speak with Harry Gerstenlauer.

Unity Prayer Day will be observed here at New Dorp on Sunday, March 30, during the worship service. It is a time of prayer and offering to support the Unity's global projects. This year the focus is on the project "Common Moravian Theological Curriculum in Spanish." Information was included in our March newsletter, or visit www.moravian.org/northern for further details.

Church Giving Envelopes for 2025 are located in the Conference Center. Please pick yours up if you have not done so.

A new collection has begun of lightweight jackets and hoodies to be distributed at the Vanderbilt Community Dinners. A collection box is located in the hallway of the church office wing.

We continue to collect eyeglasses for charity. The box for your donations is located near the piano in the Conference Center. **Please note that St. Jude's has cancelled their greeting card program so we no longer accept such cards.**

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 welcoming visitors! Try a new seat and get to know someone better!** Also, would you like to sponsor the refreshments? There is a sign-up sheet in the coffee area. Expenses are reimbursed if you'd like. You can also help by donating regular and decaf coffee as well as other beverages.

Office Deadlines

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

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

For Your Prayers This Week:

Please help us keep our prayer list current and notify the church office if changes occur.

For On-going Concerns: John DiForte, Marie Moser, Dolores Cavallo, Richard Iadorola, Carmel McCarthy, Ida Perez, Barbara Carolan, Linda Griggs, Connie Vadola, Lois Zipf, Libby Neri, Estefania Griggs Luke Downs, Angela Realá.

For those under Hospice Care: Alfred Yee-Litt.

For Healing: Christinjoy Fernandez, Nadira Edwards (stage 4 cancer), Joyce Fernandez (treatments for breast cancer), Ruth Madison (undergoing chemotherapy), Stephen Gencarello (undergoing cancer treatment), Marla DiForte (broken ankle), Miritza (breast cancer), Charlee Cheru and family (Charlee undergoing treatment for childhood leukemia), Doreen Traut (recovering from knee surgery), Theresa Sahaj (hospitalized), Megan Iadarola, Michael Trifaro, Steffi Griggs, Carol Bugge (cancer), Florence Olsen (heart attack and blood clot), Michael Cericola (undergoing chemotherapy for brain cancer), Colleen Cericola (recovering from a fall), healing for Pope Francis, Moira Suarez, the family of Helen McCarthy, the family of Carole Detmar Collins.

Other Concerns: Elijah Griggs (training for Border Patrol), those affected by recent storms and disasters, for leaders throughout the world to find solutions for peace.

Please remember to pray for our denominational leaders, our Pastor, Board Members, and Committee Chairs as they lead us in the work of the church, and for our church, that we may follow God's call and leading in our service and ministries.