

**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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Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 18, 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: **Marla DiForte**
- A/V Tech: **Jeremi Amagsila**

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Today

10:00 am Worship/Sunday School
After Worship: Lunch/Fellowship

Wednesday, May 21 Newsletter articles/information due!

11:00 am Trustees Meeting

Sunday, May 25

10:00 am Worship/Sunday School (?)
After Worship: Coffee/Fellowship

Monday, May 26 Memorial Day

The church office will be closed.

Save the Date! The UBC Central Board of Elders is hosting a Staten Island Moravians Picnic on Saturday, September 27, from 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm in the Parish House and on the grounds of NDMC. Mark your calendars now for this fun event and time of fellowship!

Thank You Dorothy Ambrosino, Anna Gaw, and Harry Gerstenlauer for serving as our counters this month.

The Staten Island Buddhist Vihara is holding a **Blood Drive** in a mobile unit in the church parking lot today from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. A flyer is posted on the bulletin board in the office hallway for more information.

Volunteers are always in need! Ask how you can serve in worship, fellowship, counting, Trash to Treasure, and other areas.

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. **If you are not tending children, please sit with the congregation.**

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.

We continue to collect eyeglasses for charity. The box for your donations is located near the piano in the Conference Center.

Service Animals

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

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, Dolores Cavallo, Richard Iadorola, Carmel McCarthy, Ida Perez, Barbara Carolan, Linda Griggs, Connie Vadola, Lois Zipf, Libby Neri, Estefania Griggs.

For those under Hospice Care: Alfred Yee-Litt.

For Healing: Nadira Edwards (stage 4 cancer), Joyce Fernandez (treatments for breast cancer), Charlee Cheru and family (Charlee undergoing treatment for childhood leukemia), Megan Iadarola, Carol Bugge (cancer), Michael Cericola (undergoing chemotherapy for brain cancer), Colleen Cericola (recovering from a fall), Anita Guarino, Diane Serrano (cancer), KathyLynn Allen (recovering from a fall), Carol Grande (recovering from cataract surgery), Irene Malley (surgery tomorrow), the family of Luke Downs.

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

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.