

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 2026

*"Let your work be manifest to your servants
and your glorious power to their children."*

Psalm 90:16

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 speak with Pastor Bishop or 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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Second Sunday after Christmas Epiphany of the Lord (Observed) January 4, 2026

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: **The Rev. Walter Bishop**
- Guest Musician: **Glenn Kaiser**
- Greeter: **Richard Simpson**
- Lector: **Debbie Bishop**
- A/V Tech: **Steve Greet**

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Today

10:00 am Worship/Holy Communion/Sunday School
After Worship – Fellowship/Coffee

Tuesday, January 6 *Epiphany of the Lord*

Saturday, January 10

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Trash to Treasure

Sunday, January 11

10:00 am Worship/ Sunday School
After Worship – Fellowship/Coffee

Monday, January 12

7:00 pm Board of Elders Meeting

Thank you Glenn Kaiser for being with us again and providing us with music! We appreciate you!

Thank you to Carol Bugge and Anna Gaw for serving as 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. **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.

Use your gifts to serve as Lector or Audio Visual Tech. The sign-up sheets are posted in the fellowship area above the coffee service table. Training is available and perfection is not required. **Please sign up to help in these invaluable services. By signing up you also help our secretary in the preparation of materials for Sunday worship.**

Fellowship Hour

The Coffee Hour following worship is a valuable opportunity for fellowship and welcoming visitors! Sit with someone new to mix it up a bit and get to know others 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, and helping with clean up following our time together.

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. Names may be periodically removed but will be added back if you notify the church office.

For On-going Concerns: Dolores Cavallo, Richard Iadorola, Barbara Carolan, Linda Griggs, Connie Vadola, Lois Zipf, Libby Neri, Estefania Griggs, Charlee Cheru and family (Charlee undergoing treatment for childhood leukemia), John DiForte, Jean DelBagni, Michael Cericola, Jackie Passburg, Debbie Lotito.

For Healing: Joyce Fernandez (treatment for breast cancer), Carol Bugge, Marla DiForte, Maria Metzger (undergoing chemotherapy), Robin Lawson (surgery/treatment of throat), Alana Guarino, Van Takoushian (diagnosed with partial heart failure), Megan Poljak (treatment for breast cancer), Karen Ortado (uterine cancer), Deborah Griggs (in rehab), Shirley Parson, Peter Jones, Theresa & John Sahaj, Lauren Mormile (comfort during the holidays), Michele Ward, Robert Fischetti (recovering from surgery), Frank Carolan (recovering in the hospital), Sue Yee, Faye and Patrick Eng, Carmel McCarthy (upcoming surgery this week), and those involved in care-giving of family members.

Other Concerns: For leaders here and throughout the world to seek solutions for peace and justice, and an end to all war.

Please remember to pray for our denominational leaders, our Pastor, Board Members, and Committee Chairs, and for our church, that we may follow God's call and leading in our service and ministries, and help those who come to us seeking, find whatever they need.