

## 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](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 the pastor or one of the Board members.

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## Last Sunday of Epiphany/ Transfiguration Sunday March 2, 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

### Tuesday, March 4

7:00 pm Outreach Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, March 5

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service

### Saturday, March 8

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Trash to Treasure

### Sunday, March 9

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

### Thank You

Debbie Bishop and Carol Bugge 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.

**Thank you** to Bob Iadarola, and friends, for the lunch last Sunday in recognition of Black History Month. We are also always grateful for those who bring in treats to share for our fellowship time!

**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!** 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 Reala.

**For those under Hospice Care:** Alfred Yee-Litt.

**For Healing:** Shyanna McKelvin (return of Long Covid), Erik Faraj (complications from serious stroke), Christinjoy Fernandez, Nadira Edwards (stage 4 cancer), Patrick Eng, Joyce Fernandez (treatments for breast cancer), Ruth Madison (undergoing chemotherapy), Wayne Chase (suffered a severe fall with expected long-term recovery), Stephen Gencarello (undergoing cancer treatment), Deborah Griggs, Alison Griggs, Marla DiForte (broken ankle), Miritza (breast cancer), Charlee Cheru and family (Charlee undergoing treatment for childhood leukemia), Doreen Traut (recovering from knee surgery), Theresa & John Sahaj (hospitalized) Megan Iadarola, (undergoing tests), Michael Trifaro.

**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.