Paula Presutti was a member of Vanderbilt Avenue Moravian Church for over 50 years. During that time, the Lord blessed her with the gifts of many opportunities for ministry. She was gifted with a dedication to education in the public and private schools, especially with special needs students, and was further led to nurture these skills in multiple church ministries: Coffee House Ministry, Sunday School and VBS teacher and Director, Youth Fellowship Leader, Day Camp, Camp Hope, Bible Study and Worship Leader, and Christian Education Director. Paula was also a member of the Gregor Chorale, and has represented the Eastern District on Education and Evangelism Commissions in Bethlehem, PA on several occasions.

Paula had a passion for Outreach Ministries. She was serving on the Building Committee and saw stewardship as an essential part of her Christian walk. She has also served our church for many years as an Elder, and has ministered to fellow church members, visitors, and the wider community of Staten Island. She was a regular presence at our monthly Community Meals where, together with the other three Moravian Churches on Staten Island, Vanderbilt has provided free meals as a practical example of God’s love for all who are in need for over ten years. She still continued to look for ways for the Lord to use her.

Paula was grateful for the discipleship and ministries of the many pastors who have served Vanderbilt Avenue Moravian Church, especially for the ministry of our current Pastor Wellesley Ferguson. Most of all she saw her church family as a support and encouragement in all of her joint ministries.

“For we are God’s fellow worker. You are God’s field, God’s building.”

1 Corinthians 3:9