# **Doylestown Mennonite Church**

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# WELCOME!

We are people on a journey of following Jesus, and we invite you to walk with us. In our desire to be authentic, we share our joys and struggles to both encourage and pray for one another. All are welcome to ask questions and participate in our activities. Our vision - *taking risks with and for Christ* - continues to shape us. Please feel free to make DMC your faith community.

~ Pastors Randy and Sandy

**Tithes & Offerings -** If you would like to give an offering, you may place it in the basket on the table at the front of the sanctuary. There is also an option to give online on the home page of our website (address at the top of this page).

### Serving Today:

<u>Trustee of the Month</u>: Michael Gourley <u>Greeters</u>: Garry & Cyndi Landis

<u>Pre-Service Music:</u> Lois & Freida Myers <u>Worship Leader:</u> Steve Landes <u>Music Leaders:</u> Lois & Freida Myers <u>Preacher:</u> Randy Heacock

<u>Nursery (worship)</u>: Cindy Strauch <u>Prayer Ushers</u>: Judy & Cesar Garrido <u>Intercessor</u>: MaryLee Chittick

Worship services are streamed live on the public church Facebook page beginning at 9:50 am. The video remains available to view at any time.

Video link: www.facebook.com/doylestownmc

## DMC Notes:

**Tuesday & Friday, 9:00 am - Zoom Prayer;** anyone is welcome to join these weekly prayer groups! <u>CLICK HERE</u> or use meeting ID: 982 3566 8858, passcode: 805803. To join by phone, call 1-929-205-6099.

A meal schedule has been setup for **Mark and Lisa Reiff** to provide meals for the next several weeks at the following link: <u>takethemameal.com/ROFR6763</u>. If you have any questions contact Sandy Landes.

A meal schedule has been setup for **Ray and Marge Swartley** to provide meals for the next several weeks at the following link: <u>takethemameal.com/FFFV6363</u>. If you have any questions contact Sandy Landes.

**DMC crafted prayer for 2024** - we will once again look to God to help us write a crafted prayer for DMC. There are two sessions planned to craft this prayer: Tuesday, January 16, 10:30-11:30 am at DMC, and Tuesday, January 23, 7:00-8:00 pm on Zoom. All are welcome to join this process; please contact Sandy with any questions.

**Mennonite Periodicals (Rejoice/Anabaptist World)** - 2024 renewal forms have been put in mailboxes. Please return them to the church office with payment by February 11. If you are interested in either of these magazines and did not receive a form, contact Kristine in the church office.

**The DMC Getaway at Spruce Lake** is approaching, March 8-10. If you signed up to attend, please look for a note in your church mailbox. It lists your balance due that is required by February 11. Please make checks out to DMC and place in the box in the church office. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Heacock.

To help with our music leading on Sunday mornings, **Wendy Schettig** has agreed to serve occasionally. Wendy will lead for the first time on Sunday, January 28.

A **congregational meeting** will be held Sunday, February 25, during the Sunday School hour to review our 2023 finances and to approve a spending plan for 2024.

# Happening This Week:

Jan 16 Jan 16 Jan 16

Prayer by Zoom Crafted Prayer meeting Care Team meeting 9:00 am 10:30 am 7:15 pm

Jan 19	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Jan 20	Karen's Place	7:00 pm

#### Scripture Text – Genesis 3:1-13

How does God use authority?

How do humans respond?

What is the result?

What happens to our own use of authority?

#### 2024 Theme – Jesus Gave Them Authority

#### DMC participants to pray for:

**Denny Bartels** – Praise God for the healing Denny has experienced since surgery in early November. Pray that Denny would have patience and be mindful of his limitations as he awaits further healing.

**Marge Swartley** – Marge was able to return home on Friday, January 5. Praise God for the healing she has experienced. Pray for Marge, Ray and their family as they work together in the transition from rehab to home.

Mark, Lisa & Silas Reiff – Praise God that Silas is gaining weight and continues to eat well. Pray for his upcoming appointments and for his hearing.

#### **Prayer Guide:**

**Monday:** Praise God for his faithfulness for this day and this upcoming week. Ask God to show you what specific thing you need to surrender to God today.

**Tuesday:** Pray for a school that is close to you and for the students, faculty and staff to know God's peace and wisdom.

Wednesday: Invite God to give you an awareness of his glory in the people and your surroundings today.

**Thursday**: How might you exercise the kingdom authority you have been given today to bless another person? Ask God to show you how to do this.

**Friday:** Continue to pray the prayer of indifference: "God, make me indifferent to anything but your will. God, make us indifferent to anything but your will."

**Saturday:** Praise God and give thanks for the many ways God shows his goodness to you. Ask God for opportunities to share freely as we come to worship tomorrow.

#### Community Groups @ DMC

<u>Sunday</u> LAA (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

<u>Tuesday</u> Alanon (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

Sandy Ridge Community Garden Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday work hours <u>Wednesday</u> AA (weekly, 12 pm - basement) Naranon (weekly, 6 pm - Rm 201) Bucks Co. Writers (weekly, 7 pm - basement) January 7

Attendance: 37

Offering (1/5-1/12): \$2971.00

<u>Thursday</u> Support Group (weekly, 7 pm - Rm 201)