# **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> Cesar Garrido Greeters: Don & Judy Derstine

<u>Pre-service Music:</u> Lois & Freida Myers

Worship Leader: Sandy Landes

Music Leaders: Lois & Freida Myers, Ronda Histand

<u>Preacher:</u> Randy Heacock

Nursery (worship): Janice Wyble

<u>Prayer Ushers:</u> Nancy Heacock, Mark Reiff

**Intercessor:** Junior Brodie

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

### **Happening This Week:**

Apr 2	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Apr 5	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Apr 6	Karen's Place	7:00 pm

#### **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.

**Newsletter items** for the April edition of News & Views are due to Lois Myers by Tuesday evening, April 2. Please send her your articles and photos to <a href="mailto:myersfm@juno.com">myersfm@juno.com</a>.

**Sunday, April 7** will be our first mission Sunday for the year, and Noel Santiago will bring the morning message. Our entire offering that day will be set aside to support those mission efforts we have identified as a congregation.

The Care Team invites the congregation to prayerfully consider the open position on the team. Over the next month please read the list of participants in our directory and allow the Spirit to direct your thoughts to persons who are trustworthy and have integrity. As names come to mind, please take time to pray over those persons. As the Spirit gives peace and affirmation, please offer those names to any member of the Care Team by April 28, before our next meeting on April 30. The Care Team will also pray and collectively discern our next step in inviting a person to join the team. We will keep the congregation informed of the process. Thank you for joining us in waiting on God for his leading. The Care Team: Randy Heacock, Freida Myers and Sandy Landes

Join Everence for a **Medicare and Social Security seminar** on April 15 at 6:30 pm at Souderton Mennonite Church to gain clarity and confidence in retirement. You'll find a comfortable and informative session with the goal to help you take the next clear and confidence steps in retirement. RSVP today or learn more at: <a href="mailto:everence.com/souderton">everence.com/souderton</a> or call 215-703-0111.



#### Scripture Text – Matthew 28:1-15

What fear occupies your time and mind to which God invites you to trust that God will reveal His glory and power when you go as God directs?

Where do you find yourself in conversations/meetings/relationships in which God is saying remind my people that the way of suffering humiliation and weakness is my chosen method?

When are you most tempted to give into fear and write your own narrative in attempts to control the outcome?

Who is God identifying that you are to remind/encourage that they will see God when they go and do as Jesus directs?

#### 2024 Theme - Jesus Gave Them Authority

#### DMC participants to pray for:

**John Moyer** – He is receiving care in the Health Care unit at SMH; pray for his daily strength and that he keeps walking with Jesus.

Marge & Ray Swartley – Pray for strength and encouragement for each day.

**Lisa, Mark, Sam and Silas Reiff** – Pray for Silas' weight gain and for Mark and Lisa as they work with doctors to determine how best to help him in his growth and development. Pray for their peace and wisdom as they trust God in their parenting.

#### **Prayer Guide:**

**Monday:** Ask God to help you share the good news of the hope you experience because of the resurrection of Jesus with another person today.

**Tuesday:** Pray for Dale and Beth Nafziger as they serve in Nepal and are beginning their last year with Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for wisdom as they trust God for their future work.

**Wednesday:** Take a few minutes to give thanks to God for the beauty of spring around you. Be specific in what you notice today.

**Thursday:** Pray for children you know by name, in our congregation, in your neighborhood and family. Ask God to help them to learn to trust God.

**Friday:** Pray for someone you know who has a chronic illness to have hope and strength. How can you encourage them today?

**Saturday:** Give thanks for the gift of DMC where we can worship and pray together. Pray for an increased openness to share our joys and struggles.

#### **DMC 2024 Crafted Prayer:**

Dear Heavenly Father, you send us out to proclaim Jesus' name and with his healing power. We submit to your authority. Let us praise the Lord and step out unencumbered by worldly cares. May the Holy Spirit strengthen us in our times of weakness. We accept the authority you bestow on us with humility and compassion. Give us wisdom and help us to be fearless in our encounters. May we joyfully reflect your glory now and forevermore. Amen

#### **Community Groups @ DMC**

Sunday

LAA (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

**Tuesday** 

Alanon (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

Sandy Ridge Community Garden

Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday work hours

Wednesday

AA (weekly, 12 pm - basement)
Naranon (weekly, 6 pm - Rm 201)
Bucks Co. Writers (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

**Thursday** 

Support Group (weekly, 7 pm - Rm 201)

March 24

Attendance: 54

Offering (3/22-3/29): \$3369.00