

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:

Trustee of the Month: Michael Gourley

Greeters: Garry & Cyndi Landis

Worship Leader: Sue Bartels

Music Leaders: Ronda Hestand

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Nursery (worship): Judy Derstine

Prayer Ushers: Nancy Heacock & Don Heckler

Intercessor: Kathy Heckler

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:

Jan 23	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Jan 23	Crafted Prayer meetings	10:30 am & 7:00 pm
Jan 24	Morning Out	10:00 am
Jan 26	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am

DMC Notes:

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

DMC crafted prayer for 2024 - a group will meet in person on Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 am at DMC and in the evening via Zoom at 7 pm, using our Zoom prayer link. Please contact Sandy if you have any questions and/or plan to join this process.

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.

All women are invited to **Morning Out**, Wednesday, January 24, 10:00-11:30 am in Room 205. Come this Wednesday for a fun and relaxing morning of games. Morning Out is a time of connection and inspirational reflection. Light snacks provided; bring your own beverage. Invite a friend! Questions? Contact Judy Garrido.

2024 Church Directories are now available in the mailboxes. If you need additional copies, [contact Kristine](#) in the office.

2023 Offering Statements were distributed this past week. Please look for them in your email inbox or church mailbox and [contact Kristine](#) in the office if you didn't receive it, need a hard copy, or have questions.

Scripture Text – Judges 17:1-6, 21:15-25

When have you experienced or witnessed the isolation of all the people did what was right in their own eyes?

Might God be calling you to change your understanding of authority?

Are you willing to trust God's desire is for you to experience meaningful life?

Action: What decision/challenge will you seek the wisdom/perspective of at least one other person this week?

2024 Theme – Jesus Gave Them Authority

DMC participants to pray for:

Marge Swartley – Pray for strength for Marge as she continues to recuperate at home and for patience for Ray and Marge as they live with some limitations.

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: Invite God to speak to you throughout the day the many opportunities you have to listen to the wisdom/perspective of others. Ask God to give you an open mind to hear.

Tuesday: Pray for those you know by name who have been wounded by abusive power. Ask God to give them healing and hope.

Wednesday: Praise God for the beauty of creation. Take time to sit silently observing God's creation of people, earth, sky or moon.

Thursday: Pray for DMC parents whose children are under 21. Pray that God will give wisdom and confidence as they make daily decisions for their children.

Friday: Pray for your neighbors that they may know God's love. Ask God to direct you how best to engage them in a way that gives space for God's spirit to work.

Saturday: Choose a simple passage of scripture or lyrics from a song to pray throughout the day to prepare you for gathered worship tomorrow.

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)

January 14

Attendance: 48

Offering (1/12-19):

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