

**DOYLESTOWN MENNONITE CHURCH**



**"It's Better to be Blind"**

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VISION - TAKING RISKS WITH AND FOR CHRIST

**2017 Theme - Being Molded into the Image of Jesus**

Pre-service Prayer - 9:10–9:25 am

Worship - 9:30 am

Sunday School - 11:00 am

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## Worship

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Pre-service music: Heather Zeo

Songs of Worship Worship team

Worship leader: Mark Reiff

Offering /offertory: “Jesus” Jenni & Alejandro Garrido

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Passage: John 9:1-41

Sermon: **“It’s Better to be Blind”** KrisAnne Swartley

Songs of Response Worship team

Benediction

**Nursery is available during the worship service for children up to and including four years of age. Activity bags are available in the lobby for children to use during the worship service.**

**Today**

**Nursery Worship:** Robin Miller, Mary Ellen Schade

**Nursery Sunday School:** MaryLee Chittick

**Prayer Ushers:** Bill & Mary Leatherman

**Intercessor:** MaryLee Chittick

**Welcome friend!** If this is your first time at Doylestown Mennonite Church, we want you to feel especially welcome. Please fill out an information card, which is located on the back of the pew. You may place this card in the offering basket. Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

—Pastor Randy



Coffee and Tea are available in the foyer following the worship service.

## Sunday School Classes

For all ages, 10:30–11:15 am

Classes	Room
Preschool–Grade 5	Downstairs Classrooms
Jr. & Sr. Youth (Grades 6-12)	Room 205
Sermon Response- Steve Landes	Room 203
Uniform Lesson	Rooms 102 & 103
Book of James	Basement
Sermon Response- KrisAnne Swartley	Room 201

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# Prayer Guide

## DOYLESTOWN MENNONITE CHURCH:

*“Since you are my Rock and my Fortress, for the sake of your name lead and guide me.” Psalm 31:3*

DMC participants: **Don and Judy Derstine, Hilltown Pike, Line Lexington,** Pray blessings for Don and Judy and their neighborhood.

Pray for **Bill Leatherman** as he is experiencing lingering pain. Pray for wisdom for his doctors and healing mercies for Bill.

**Steve and Sandy Landes** ask for your prayers for wisdom and strength in parenting.

Derrick, Naa and Yesenia welcomed Daniel Cesar to their family on March 21. Praise God for his healthy delivery and pray for them as a family.

Community Group: The AA group meets in our building on Wednesdays at noon. Pray for strengthening of relationships, for honesty and clarity as people attend regularly.

## REGIONAL:

**Spruce Lake:** Praise God for the rich outpouring of generosity that has paid off the loan completely for Spruce mountain!! Pray that God would use the work of Spruce Lake to point people to Christ, to the glory of God!

## GLOBAL:

Beginning on Thursday of this week, local leaders of **Mennonite Mission Network’s Mennonite Voluntary Service program** will gather in Tucson, Arizona, for four days of worship, fellowship, and to envision next steps. Pray for the Holy Spirit’s unity in relationships and in purpose.

Pray for our **brothers and sisters in the Ecuador Mennonite Church** as they continue to help those affected by the 7.8 earthquake last April in their country.

**Dale and Beth Nafziger** praise God for the opportunity to live and serve in Kathmandu, Nepal. Pray for their daughters, Shova and Sushma as they go to school and work in the coffee shop.

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# Prayer Guide

## PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES:

**The prayer ushers are available before and during our worship service to pray confidentially** with you about a concern that you have. The front bench is a waiting area if the door is closed and they are praying with someone else. You are welcome!!

**The Outdoor Prayer Garden** needs a spring spruce-up. It will include planting, raking and some general cleanup. If you would like to help with this project, please contact Sandy Landes.

## A prayer for this week

Psalm 145:4

***“One generation commends your works to another.  
They tell of your mighty acts.”***

In what ways are you experiencing God's mighty acts?

How have you seen God work?

Are there ways you can share God's story with another person this week?

God,

We thank you that you are a mighty God, always at work in our lives.

You are wonderful and magnificent.

Help us to see the ways that you are at work and help us to trust you more.

Give us opportunities to share the story with another person this week of what you are doing in our lives.

We desire to give you all the glory!

Amen

## DMC Notes

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**Lent Visuals- Being Molded on the Way to the Cross-** During the weeks leading up to Easter, we invite you to bring in items made out of clay-- a flower pot, mug, vase, pitcher, teapot, plate, bowl, etc.-- they can be beautifully decorated or plain, chipped or not, broken & repaired, useful or not-so-useful, clean or dirty. We will gather these clay vessels on the worship table as a way to continue to reflect on how we are being molded by God into the image of Jesus. Give them to KrisAnne Swartley any time between now and Easter. Randy will be preaching on the theme "on the way to the cross." How are you being molded on the way to the cross? How is our faith community being molded on the way to the cross? May God continue to shape us into the likeness of Jesus.

Good news from the Walking Path team. The grading permit has been issued by Doylestown Township. We are still needing to obtain a permit for the demolition of the garage building. Once we have that permit we will be ready to schedule construction with Beer Excavating to begin installing the pathway extension. We have worked out the budget picture and as reported at the congregational meeting we are still in need of funds because of changes brought on by unaccounted for items. The total budget is now at 63,036.00. We have donated funds of 54,912.00. We are in need of 8,124.00.

The trustees have a list of items in the garage storage building which will be demolished shortly. Some items: softball bats, 55-gallon drums, wooden extension ladder, church pew (like in balcony) fence post driver, tools, and much more. Items can be removed on a first come, first serve basis. For questions contact Dave Chittick by phone, text, or email.

If anyone would like to bring a snack for Sunday mornings they should contact me. Thanks Cyndi

**Easter-** We will have an Easter Breakfast at 8:30 followed by worship at 10:00. We will celebrate communion during the worship service.

# DMC Events

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## This Week:

<b>March 20</b>	Care Team meeting	7 pm
<b>March 28</b>	Souderton Homes	2 pm
<b>March 28</b>	Newsletter Deadline	
<b>March 30</b>	Women's Bible Study	1:30-3:00 pm
<b>April 1</b>	Karen's Place	

## Upcoming:

<b>April 4</b>	~TNT	6 pm
	~Women's Support Group	6:30-8:30 pm
<b>April 5</b>	MLT	7 pm
<b>April 16</b>	~Easter Breakfast	8:30 am
	~Worship and Communion	10:00 am
<b>August 6</b>	Church Picnic	10 am

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## Weekly Statistics



**March 19, 2017**

Attendance: 72

Offering: \$

# Doylestown Mennonite Church

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## Our Mission

*We share the love of Christ in words and actions  
with our neighbors and friends ,  
so they will grow with us as followers of Christ.*

## Community groups using the DMC building this week:

- MONDAY      ■ Tai Chi (Fellowship Hall, 6:15–8:15 pm)
- TUESDAY     ■ A Woman’s Place Children’s Support Group (6-7:30 pm, Rooms 204-205)  
                 ■ Alanon (7:00- 8:00 pm, Basement)
- WEDNESDAY ■ AA (11:30 am-1:30 pm, Basement)  
                 ■ NA (7-9 pm, Rooms 102-103)
- THURSDAY   ■ Thursday Evening Group (7 pm-9 pm, Room 201)  
                 ■ Barbara (6:30-9:30 pm, Basement)
- FRIDAY        OPEN

## Staff

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