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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 guestions 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).

As We Gather Today:

Trustee of the Month: Garry Landis Greeters: Don & Judy Derstine

Worship Leader: Sandy Landes Music Leader: Ronda Histand *Preacher:* Randy Heacock

Nursery (worship): Macy & Amber Youssef Prayer Ushers: Mary Leatherman, Don Heckler Intercessor: Karen Fennell

Watch live on our YouTube channel - YouTube.com/ @doylestownmc (begins at 9:50 am; video remains available to view at any time)

** See the fover bulletin board for Sunday School options for today and the coming weeks. **

Happening This Week:

Apr 29 May 2 May 3

Prayer by Zoom Prayer by Zoom Karen's Place

9:00 am 9:00 am 7:00 pm

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.

Words cannot express our gratitude for the wonderful celebration on Saturday, April 12. It was a great combination of humor and thoughtful reflections. The food, cakes, atmosphere and skits will always be remembered. Your generous gifts are greatly appreciated. In this time of transition, you have been gracious each step of the way. Know that you are deeply loved and will be greatly missed! - Randy & Nancy

Newsletter items for the May edition of News & Views are due to Lois Myers by Tuesday evening, April 29. Please send her your articles and photos to myersfm@juno.com.

Our worship focus during the month of May will be around Anabaptism at 500 (learn more at <u>anabaptismat500.com</u>). Next Sunday, May 4, we welcome Joel Horst Nofziger, Executive Director of the Mennonite Historians of Eastern Pennsylvania.

The outdoor prayer garden has been updated and crafted with beauty. Many thanks to Margot Spring for her loving work in giving her time and expertise to make this space welcoming.

If you're able to provide flowers for worship for a Sunday (or two ... or more!) over the next several months, please sign up on the bulletin board near the mailboxes.

The Pastoral Search Team (PST) has been holding monthly meetings, with additional work and communication occurring between each meeting. At their April meeting, they examined information on a few potential candidates. PST will be reaching out to gather more details on these individuals and initial interviews will be scheduled as appropriate. PST appreciates your continued prayers and support.

NOTES:

DMC participants to pray for:

Karl Strauch - continuing with chemotherapy; pray for opportunities to share his faith as he meets people during this process and for strength

Cyndi Landis - awaiting an MRI on Wednesday to determine the cause of back pain. Pray for strength and comfort for Cyndi as she continues to drive school bus.

Prayer Guide:

Monday - Begin this week praying the prayer of indifference. Ask God to work in your life to make you indifferent to anything but the will of God.

Tuesday - Who or what are you choosing to serve today? Ask God to bring to mind any person or thing that competes with your loyalty to God alone?

Wednesday - Pray for the search committee to hear clearly from God and to have the courage to follow God's direction.

Thursday - What concerns, both as an individual and for DMC congregation, are on your mind? Ask God to give you wisdom to first seek God's Kingdom.

Friday - Praise God for the many faithful people who have encouraged your faith in God. Ask God to bring to mind one person you are to encourage to trust God.

Saturday - Ask God to prepare you to hear Joel Horst Nofziger tomorrow as he speaks on the faithful witness of the early Anabaptists.

DMC 2025 Crafted Prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father, Open our hearts and minds to see and hear you as we surrender our will to yours. As your servants, help us to depend on you so we can let go of distractions and bring glory to you. We thank you, Jesus, for you are our Rock, our firm foundation, and our eternal salvation. In Jesus' name, Amen

Community Groups @ DMC

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

<u>Monday</u> German Chat (2 pm - basement) County Line Quilters (6 pm - basement)

<u>Tuesday</u> Alanon (7 pm - basement) <u>Wednesday</u> AA (12 pm - basement) Naranon (6 pm - Rm 101) Bucks Co. Writers (7 pm - basement)

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

<u>Sandy Ridge Community Garden</u> Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday work hours

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Attendance: 67

Offering (4/18-25): \$1,811