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

~ 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:

<u>Trustee of the Month</u>: Garry Landis <u>Greeters</u>: Louise Beyer, Dave Chittick

free to make DMC your faith community.

Worship Leader: Karl Strauch Music Leader: Ronda Histand Preacher: Sandy Landes

<u>Nursery (worship)</u>: Judy Derstine <u>Prayer Ushers</u>: Freida Myers, Kendrick Garrido <u>Intercessor</u>: Karen Fennell

Sunday School is not regularly scheduled during July & August (resumes September 8)

Watch live (begins at 9:50 am; video remains available to view at any time): www.facebook.com/doylestownmc

Happening This Week:

Aug 26	Karen's Place outdoor concert	7:00 pm
Aug 27	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Aug 27	Care Team meeting	7:00 pm
Aug 30	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am

DMC Notes:

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

Pastor Randy will be away on vacation through August 26. Please contact Pastor Sandy for any pastoral needs.

Newsletter items for the September edition of News & Views are due to Lois Myers by Tuesday evening, August 27. Please send her your articles and photos to <u>myersfm@juno.com</u>.

Sunday School will resume Sunday, September 8. For the adults, MLT will share our report regarding the recent survey of our six-month trial. We are grateful for the helpful responses to the survey and look forward to sharing future plans to keep us learning to be a sent church. Your suggestions and questions have helped to sharpen this focus

A **memorial service** for Michael Warren, Debby's husband, is planned for Saturday, September 7, 12 noon, here at Doylestown Mennonite Church. Pray for the Warren family as they grieve his passing.

Student prayer partners: many thanks for your commitment to praying for one of our students throughout the school year. A folder is in your mailbox to help you get started and regular reminders will be sent throughout the school year. Blessings as you pray for the younger generation among us.

The **flower sign-up sheet** for the remainder of 2024 is now posted on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. If you're able to provide flowers for worship for a Sunday (or two ... or more!) over the next several months, please sign up!

Deuteronomy 30:11-20, John 10:10

Who or what guides the choices you make?

How do the words you say to yourself bring life to you and others?

In what ways might the faith community help us to choose life?

How does choosing God's life-giving ways bring about the abundant life Jesus wants us to have?

2024 Theme – Jesus Gave Them Authority

DMC participants to pray for:

Lisa, Mark, Sam, and Silas Reiff - Pray for continued healing for Silas and for his growth and development. Praise God that their first two weeks in a new routine have gone relatively well.

The Warren family - Pray for Debby and her children as they grieve the passing of Michael, husband, father, and grandfather.

Prayer Guide:

Monday: Pray to be able to choose life in the many decisions you will make today.

Tuesday: Give thanks for the ministries of Pinebrook and Spruce Lake. Many seeds of faith have been planted throughout the summer through Wilderness and Day Camp. Pray that faith will grow from these seeds.

Wednesday: Pray for the ability to welcome the stranger you might meet today/this week.

Thursday: Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4, How will you delight in God today?

Friday: Who comes to your mind to bless with a word of encouragement today? Pray for them and let them know through a text or phone call how you are praying.

Saturday: Ask God to help us as we gather for worship tomorrow to experience much joy in his presence.

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

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

Tuesday Alanon (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

<u>Sandy Ridge Community Garden</u> Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday work hours <u>Wednesday</u> AA (weekly, 12 pm - basement) Naranon (weekly, 6 pm - Rm 101) Bucks Co. Writers (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

<u>Thursday</u> Support Group (weekly, 7 pm - Rm 201) August 18

Attendance: n/a

Offering (8/16-23): \$2,573