# **Doylestown Mennonite Church**

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# WELCOME!

We are people on a journey of following Jesus and invite you to walk with us. In our desire to be authentic, we share our joys and struggles in order 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, KrisAnne, and Sandy

## **People Serving Today:**

Greeters/Ushers: Angel Mejias & Sandra Maldonado

Garry & Cyndi Landis

Worship Leader: Mark Reiff

**Preservice/Offertory**: Lois & Freida Myers

Prayer Ushers: Cesar & Judy Garrido

Intercessor:

Class

Women's Book Club

Nursery- Worship: MaryEllen Schade

*Nursery- SS:* Ronda Histand

Preacher: Randy Heacock

# Sunday School 11:00-11:45 am

Location

Room 201

# Pre-K –Grade 5 Adult Class- "Discipleship" Fellowship Hall Adult Bible Study Room 102/103 Jr./Sr. High Students Room 205 Sermon Response Class Room 203

#### **DMC NOTES:**

**Newsletter-** We have postponed the newsletter one week due to the holiday. Have items to Lois Myers by Tuesday evening. Thank you!

On December 8 our service will begin at 10:00 am with "The Puppet and Storyworks" giving a Christmas themed presentation. Please invite friends and neighbors of all. Adults, as well as children, will enjoy and be inspired by this Lancaster-based couple's talents. There will be no Sunday School. All will be invited to stay for lunch following the presentation. Sign up on the sheet by the mailboxes for meal contributions.

**During the month of Advent,** you are invited to set aside a time to visit the Upstairs Prayer room to use the prayer activity created especially around our theme: **Creating Space for Jesus**. Sign up for a timeslot on the calendar outside the prayer room. Check with the office if you need access to the building when it is closed.

All are invited to join **Christmas caroling** on **Wednesday, Dec. 18 @ 6 pm** at the home of Don and Kathy Heckler, 200 Murray Drive, Doylestown. Contact Don or Kathy at 215-345-4493 for additional information.

**Thank you-** The Zeo family would like to thank the congregation for walking with them during and after Heather's surgery. The cards and meals were perfectly timed and invaluable. This week's clear scan is evidence that God is the Great Healer! The next scan won't be needed for 6 more months. Your continued prayers are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Pastors Randy, Sandy and KrisAnne would like to thank the congregation for the thoughtful Pastor's Appreciation presentations and gifts last Sunday. The personal touches were so meaningful and encouraging! It is a joy to serve at DMC and we are grateful for each one who is a part of this faith community.

A note from MLT- On December 15<sup>th</sup> we will be hearing from a guest preacher who is a potential lead pastor candidate for Towamencin Mennonite Church. The search committee from that congregation has been invited to attend worship on that day in order to hear him preach. We will not podcast this particular sermon or publicize the candidate's name beyond our congregation in order to respect confidentiality. We are asking that only members of the search committee from Towamencin attend our service that day and that DMC people do not share any opinions with friends who may attend Towamencin.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Dec 3	Prayer Together	9:00am
	TNT	6-8pm
Dec 5	Worship team practice	6:45pm
Dec 7	Karen's Place	7-10pm
Jan 11	Women's Prayer Retreat	9am-3pm
	Karen's Place Movie Night	6:30pm

## Sermon Notes: Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14

How do we make space for a different reality?

What does God's promised future imply about our current reality?

What are we called to do to prepare?

## **Prayer Guide:** 2019 Theme-Incarnational Living: being Jesus' presence in the world

#### **DMC** individuals/families

- **Jenni Garrido** Pray for continued healing and for energy. Praise God for his constant faithfulness.
- Tim Brenneman being treated for lung cancer, experiencing fatigue and pain
- **Bill and Karen Fennell, in Colorado with son, Michael and family**, Michael hopes to be released this week from the rehab unit to return home to continue the healing process. Pray for Michael and his family as they go through this transition.

#### **Community Connections**

- Pray for the many people who use our church building every week, through the many support groups, Karen's Place, and visitors. Karen's Place is open this Saturday, Dec 7. Pray for those in attendance to experience God's presence.
- **Bethany Mennonite Church, Bridgewater Corner, Vermont,** Please pray that they will continue to find practical, tangible ways of reaching out to the local community, and that they continue to learn from each other and listen to each other with respect, compassion and curiosity as they communicate about their differences.

#### **Global Concerns**

- Please pray for the **Conference Ministers Gathering**, a meeting of conference ministers from Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada, on Dec. 4-7 in Banff, Alberta, Canada.
- **Dale and Bethsaba Nafziger** celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this past week, November 27. Give thanks for their marriage and the ways God has blessed them as a team as they serve God in Kathmandu, Nepal.

### **Groups Meeting at DMC:**

#### Sunday:

Playwright's Bridge (2pm, basement, 1x/month)

NA (7pm, basement)

#### Monday:

Girl Scouts (6pm, basement, 1x/month)

#### Tuesday:

AlaNon (7pm, basement)

#### Wednesday:

AA (12pm, basement)

Bucks Co. Writers' Group (7pm, basement)
PA Rush soccer (7pm, main floor, 1x/month)

#### Thursday:

OA (10am, main floor)

Girl Scouts (6pm, basement, 2x/month)
Thurs Eve Group (7pm, Room 201)

Stats: 11/24/2019

Attendance: 67

Offering: \$3495.00

Thanksgiving Eve: \$760.00