

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).

As We Gather Today:

Trustee of the Month: Cesar Garrido

Greeters: Gideon & Karen Youssef

Pre-service Music: Lois & Freida Myers

Worship Leader: Steve Landes

Music Leaders: Lois & Freida Myers

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Nursery (worship): Judy Derstine

Prayer Ushers: Nancy Heacock, Mark Reiff

Intercessor: Junior Brodie

Sunday School is not regularly scheduled during July & August

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

Happening This Week:

July 30	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Aug 2	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Aug 4	Church Picnic	10:00 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.

Newsletter items for the August edition of News & Views are due to Lois Myers by Tuesday evening, July 30. Please send her your articles and photos to myersfm@juno.com.

As we approach the end of our **6-month trial**, MLT is discerning our next steps and asks for your thoughtful input. A questionnaire was emailed on Monday, 7/15; please either fill this out online or pick up a paper copy from the table by the mailboxes and drop your responses in the box in the church office. Responses are due by this Friday, August 2.

Please join us for our annual **church picnic**, being held at Lost Acres Ranch NEXT SUNDAY, August 4 - worship begins at 10 am and lunch at 11:30 am. See the flyer on the table by the mailboxes for directions and more details.

I want to thank all of you for the many cards, texts, and calls I received during the recent illness and death of my Mom. The strong contingent of DMC people who gave their Saturday to attend her funeral was greatly appreciated by my entire family. Your thoughtfulness and kind words are greatly appreciated. I am grateful to serve such a loving community in which space is created to grieve and share memories. - Pastor Randy

The new school year will begin next month for many students. Please consider committing to praying for one of our K-college students this year and encouraging them through prayers, cards, texts, etc. A sign up sheet is available on the table next to the prayer room. Regular reminders are sent throughout the school year.

Matthew 5:13-16, 38-48

Where are you called to give light?

How can you participate to live into our collective vocation?

How do we understand our collective call to love enemies?

Is there anything specific we can do to be salt and light today?

2024 Theme – Jesus Gave Them Authority

DMC participants to pray for:

Randy and Nancy Heacock & family – Randy’s mother passed away on July 17 and services were held July 20. Pray for Randy and family as they give thanks for her life and find comfort and wisdom in God’s presence.

Lisa, Mark, Sam and Silas Reiff – Silas continues to receive care at CHOP King of Prussia, pray for healing in his lungs. He is doing well off O2 support while awake but needs support while sleeping. Pray for Silas as he learns to bottle feed again.

Cesar Garrido – Shoulder surgery is scheduled for Tuesday, July 30. Pray for peace and healing as Cesar has the surgery and recuperates.

Marylee Chittick thanks all who have been praying for her and the many expressions of kindness as she is walking through the journey of colon cancer. She gives God the glory for His peace and mercy.

Prayer Guide:

Monday: Ask God to direct you to be an active participant in the vocation of Jesus’ followers to be light in the world.

Tuesday: Ask God to bring to your mind people who have invested in your faith development. Give thanks for that person and communicate gratitude to them.

Wednesday: Pray for college students who are preparing to return to school. Pray for confidence as they begin a new academic year.

Thursday: Pray for the many people who enjoy using our property. Pray they will experience peace and a sense of welcome.

Friday: What seeds of faith is God asking you to plant today?

Saturday: Pray for the church picnic tomorrow. Pray for those who prepare the food, music and the grounds for all to enjoy.

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

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 101)

Bucks Co. Writers (weekly, 7 pm - basement)

Thursday

Support Group (weekly, 7 pm - Rm 201)

July 21

Attendance: 47

Offering (7/19-26):

\$2,151.25