

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, KrisAnne, 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).

Serving today:

Trustee of the month: Jon Swartley

Greeters: Glenn & Janice Wyble

Worship Leader: Sandy Landes

Music Leader: KrisAnne Swartley

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Prayer Ushers: Steve Landes, Mary Leatherman

Intercessor: MaryLee Chittick

Nursery (SS): Joyce Zuzack

Worship services are streamed live on the public church Facebook page beginning at 9:50am. The video remains available to view at any time. Video link: <https://www.facebook.com/doylestownmc/>

Happening this week:

Mar 20	Worship Planning mtg	7:00pm
Mar 21	Prayer by zoom	9:00am
	Listening Prayer	4:00pm
	Care Team mtg	7:00pm
Mar 22	Sister Circle	10:00am
	Prayer Gathering	7:00pm
Mar 24	Prayer by zoom	1:00pm

DMC NOTES:

Sunday School Classes (11:10-11:50am) –
Nursery & Children’s Class – Basement Classrooms
Human Sexuality (teen & adult) – Fellowship Hall
Traditional Adult Class – Rooms 102/103

Tuesday 9am / Friday 1pm Zoom Prayer- Anyone is welcome to join these weekly prayer groups! Visit this link: <https://zoom.us/j/98235668858?pwd=dE1zWTJ0d1VPdURIN2hHWXFJaDJXQT09> (meeting ID 982 3566 8858, passcode 805803. To join by phone, call 1-929-205-6099)

Prayer at the Cross – At any point during worship (or before or after), feel free to come to the cross at the front of the sanctuary, write down any struggle/loss/conflict/suffering that you are experiencing and place it among the dead vines covering the cross. Offer your suffering to God and wait and watch for how God meets you in the midst of it, how God may redeem it and bring fruit from it. This prayer practice will be available all during Lent.

Palm Sunday – April 2nd – We will celebrate Palm Sunday in a unique way this year! Immediately following the service, all are invited to gather in the main hallway near the Sandy Ridge doors and we will form a procession out to a spot near the playground and pavilion where we will plant a tree. This tree will symbolize our losses, struggles and suffering; and our faith and hope in God to bring new life out of those difficult experiences.

Good Friday – April 7th @ 7:30pm – We will gather in the sanctuary for a worship service remembering Jesus’ sacrifice and crucifixion.

Easter Sunday – April 9th - Breakfast & Worship – All are welcome to come for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 8:30am. There is a sign-up sheet on the table near the mailboxes – add your name to bring baked goods, breakfast casseroles or fruit for the breakfast. A worship service celebrating Jesus’ resurrection will follow at 10:00am and will include communion!

Sermon Notes: Luke 14:25-35

What did Jesus make this declaration?

What was Jesus' goal?

How do we hear this call in our culture?

What is the good news?

Prayer Guide:

2023 Theme – Spirit-Produced Fruit

Monday - Give thanks for the invitation of Jesus to be his disciples. Pray this prayer today: Jesus, help me to live today with a focus of being your disciple first in whatever I do.

Tuesday - Today is the first full day of spring. Look for and notice the signs of new growth in nature. Where might God be bringing newness in your life? Ask God to give you patience as you wait for the growth.

Wednesday - Pray for the ministries of Pinebrook and Spruce Lake as they recruit summer staff and prepare for the opportunity to point children and young people to Christ. Pray for wisdom in their hiring practices.

Thursday - Give thanks for the gifts of Jim Beyer, John Landis, Don Heckler, Jon and Ben Swartley as they provide the technical services needed for our services to be heard and livestreamed. Thank God that he has given so many varied gifts to the church.

Friday - What fruit of the Spirit is being produced in you? We can be grateful for all that the Spirit produces for the glory of God. Give thanks for how the Spirit helps us.

Saturday - Pray as this verse from Colossians 3 invites us: *Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.*

2023 Crafted Prayer-

Dear Father, we praise and thank you for the glorious mystery of your Trinity. We are grateful that you have sent the Holy Spirit, whose transforming power is at work in us. The fruit that the Spirit produces in each of us brings forth your kingdom here on earth. Let us keep in step with you, Holy Spirit, ever mindful of the power that your gifts provide. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

Community Groups Meeting @ DMC

Sunday

LAA (weekly, 7pm, basement)
Girl Scouts (monthly, 6:30pm, Room 201)

Tuesday

Alanon (weekly, 7pm, basement)

Wednesday

AA (weekly, 12pm, basement)
Naranon (weekly, 6pm, Rm 205)
Bucks Co. Writers (weekly, 7pm, basement)

Thursday

Support Group (weekly, 7pm, Room 201)

Sandy Ridge Community Garden

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday work hours

March 12th

Attendance: 24 @ DMC
40 @ Spruce Lake

Offering: \$2388.00
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