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

People Serving Today:

Greeters: Jeff Buckwalter, Jr. & Dave Chittick

Preservice Music: Lois Myers

Worship Leader: Mark Reiff

Music Leader: KrisAnne Swartley

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Prayer Ushers: Nancy Heacock, Don Heckler

Intercessor: MaryLee Chittick

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/

Children's Ministry- All children are welcome to gather in the basement fellowship hall, following the opening worship songs, for a time of sharing, Bible stories and fun activities. The children's ministry and the worship service will conclude at the same time.

Upcoming Events

Mar 9	Prayer by zoom	9:00am
	Care & Share Day	9am-5pm
	Trustees mtg	7:00pm
	Care team mtg	7:30pm
Mar 10	MLT mtg	7:00pm
Mar 12	Prayer by zoom	1:00pm

DMC NOTES:

Congregational Meeting today to approve the 2021 spending plan, immediately following worship. A zoom link will be set up for those not able to attend in-person. There are copies of the 2021 spending plan available at the mailbox table.

PRAYERS OF HOPE - During the month of March, there will be a colored slip of paper in your bulletin each week. Use these slips to write your prayers of hope: Where do I need hope? Where am I experiencing hope? Drop these prayers into the "Vessel of Hope" at the cross (or pin them to the cross) any time before, during or after the service. We serve a God who invites us to experience hope!

Videos! Worship planning team would like to collect as many short videos (30 seconds – 1 minute) as possible from DMC participants. **We are focusing on hope this Lent-- looking at loss and suffering "through the lens of the resurrection."** We would like to collect 2 different sets of videos of DMC participants:

- Set one- answering the question "Where do you long for hope? Or where do you wish you could see some hope?"
- Set two- answering the question "Where are you experiencing hope right now? Or in what situations do you find hope?"
- You could choose to tape yourself answering the first question <u>or</u> answering the second question. (Or you could create two different videos and answer both questions)

We plan to put these videos together for use during worship on Good Friday and Easter morning. Send your videos to pastor KrisAnne by email or share them with her on Google Drive (**deadline- March 24**). If you need any assistance, feel free to contact KrisAnne (she is happy to record your video using her phone).

Spring Getaway to Spruce Lake: March 19-21. Call Spruce Lake directly to make your reservation (570-595-7505) and mention DMC. Indicate if you are interested in buying Sunday lunch, in addition to Saturday B,L,D and Sunday B. Contact Nancy Heacock with any questions. There will be a worship service at DMC on 3/21, which will also be livestreamed as usual.

Sermon Notes: Matthew 16:21-28

What did Jesus say to the disciples?

What hindered the disciples' ability to hear?

How do we live looking through the lens of the resurrection?

2021 Theme – Look instead for what God can do! **Prayer Guide:**

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- Lucy DeJesus has returned home and asks us to pray for her comfort and healing. She appreciates short visits but call first to schedule a time.
- Praise God that Randy Heacock has experienced some healing in his strained hip muscle. Pray for continued healing and strength.
- Pray for Stacey and Kent Wyble. Stacey had a telehealth appt with a neurologist at Penn. Pray for a sense of urgency and for wisdom for the doctor as tests are done.
- Give thanks for the children and youth in our congregation as they continue to navigate the changes in schooling and have to make adjustments due to the pandemic. Pray for the parents in our congregation and in your **neighborhood** as they offer support and guidance.

Community

- The Sandy Ridge Community Garden will soon begin planning for the next growing season. Pray for good communication and connection as the gardeners prepare.
- Spruce Lake/Pinebrook Pray that God will bring enthusiastic summer staff who want to "make a difference" for others.
- This week all congregations in Mosaic Conference are praying for Camp Men-O-Lan in Quakertown, PA, a Conference Related Ministry (CRM). Please pray for them as they prepare for a summer ministry reboot after a tough year and for the campers who will receive the message of the gospel.

Global

- **Phil and Pratiksha Tyson, and son, Evan,** plan to travel to the US arriving on March 11. Pray for their preparations to travel and for health and safety during their trip.
- Dale Nafziger is in conversation with an individual who is interested in buying Top of the World Coffee. Pray for wisdom and understanding and a way forward that will advance God's kingdom.
- Elena Buckwalter de Satalaya and Freddy Satalaya Banda, serving with Mennonite Mission Network and VM Missions, request that the people God is calling to lead the Mennonite churches' children and youth ministries in Iquitos, Peru, will say, "Yes!" Pray for Elena and Freddy as they extend their assignment for another year.

Community Groups Meeting at DMC:

Sunday:

Playwrite's Bridge (monthly, 2-5pm, basement) AA (weekly, noon, basement) NA (weekly, 7pm, basement) Boy Scouts (weekly, 2pm, pavilion)

AlaNon (weekly, 7pm, basement)

Wednesday:

Writer's Group (weekly, 7pm, basement) PA Rush soccer (monthly, 7pm, Rm 102-3)

Thursday:

OA (weekly, 10am, by phone) Thurs Eve support (weekly, 7pm, Rm 201)

February 28th

Attendance: 50 Offering: \$4960.75 (Feb 26-Mar 5)