Doylestown Mennonite Church

215.345.6377 Volume: 62 dmc@doylestownmc.org November 15, 2020 www.doylestownmc.org No. 37

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:

<u>Greeters</u>: Don & Kathy Heckler <u>Piano Prelude</u>: Heather Zeo

<u>Worship Leader</u>: Karl Strauch <u>Music Leader</u>: Lisa Reiff <u>Preacher</u>: KrisAnne Swartley

Prayer Ushers: Steve Landes, Robin Miller

Intercessor: Betty Good

Worship services are streamed live on the church Facebook page at 10:00am. You can find the video at the following link:

https://www.facebook.com/doylestownmc/

Children's Ministry- All children are welcome to gather in the basement for some special activities, following the opening worship songs. The children's ministry and the worship service will conclude at the same time.

Upcoming Events

Nov 15	Conversation Group	11:15am
Nov 17	Prayer by zoom	9:00am
	SMH Gathering	2:00pm
Nov 18	Listening Prayer	6:30pm
	Conversation Group	7:00pm
Nov 20	Prayer by zoom	1:00pm

DMC NOTES:

Pastor Randy is preaching at Bally Mennonite Church this morning.

COVID update- We want to express deep appreciation for the congregation's positive spirit and cooperation during the pandemic. As cases in our area rise, we will continue with our current precautions. While we hope this doesn't happen, if Bucks County would move from green to yellow or red, we will return to virtual worship only. -from Ministry Leadership Team

Listening prayer meets this week, Weds, Nov. 18, 7 pm - 8 pm at the home of Dave and Joyce Zuzack, 140 Old Orchard Rd, Chalfont. Please bring a mask. You are welcome to join for a time of listening to God and sharing together.

Thanksgiving worship- We will be celebrating Thanksgiving in our morning service next Sunday the 22nd. This is in lieu of our traditional Thanksgiving Eve service.

Special Offering Project- Throughout the month of November, we will be collecting food bank items for Bucks County Opportunity Center in Doylestown. Extra copies of the donation list are on the mailbox table.

November Discernment Conversations- Eschatology- Please sign up for a group by notifying the church office (phone and email address are at the top of this page).

- TODAY @ 11:15am in person, led by Mark Reiff
- Weds, Nov 18 @ 7:00pm by zoom, led by pastor KrisAnne

Fifth Sunday Day of Service- November 29 is our next day of service. We will be partnering with Ripple Community Inc. in Allentown, working from 1-4pm (cleaning, decorating, repairs, painting, packing meals). We are invited to stay for Ripple Church's worship service (4-5pm) as well. See the sign-up sheets on the table near the prayer room in the sanctuary-sign up to work at the church and/or community center, or sign up to donate toward the meals we will pack that will be handed out after the worship service. You may also contact the church office to sign up. A recorded worship service will be posted on the DMC Facebook page at 10:00am.

Sermon Notes: John 10:11-21 and Luke 15:1-7

Which qualities of the Good Shepherd stand out to you? Why?

How can you deepen your relationship with the Good Shepherd this week?

How can you point others toward the Good Shepherd this week?

2020 Theme - Waiting on God... in a hurried world Prayer Guide:

"Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11

DMC

- Give thanks for Jesus, our good shepherd, who guides, corrects, and cares for us.
- **Pray for DMC to** be built up in faith as we practice discernment through conversations over the next two months.

Community

- Pray for the work of Bucks County Opportunity Council (recipients of our food drive this month.) Their mission is to reduce poverty and partner with the community to promote economic self-sufficiency.
- Give thanks for Spruce Lake/Pinebrook as they continue to look ahead and prepare for continuing the mission of pointing people to Christ, even during this pandemic. Pray for the young people being ministered to each weekday through the Study Camp Program at Spruce Lake.
- This week all congregations in Mosaic Conference are asked to pray for the work of our conference, based on some prayers expressed during the Conference Assembly and worship on November 7-8: Pray that we would continue to shape relationships around our missional, intercultural and formational priorities and that we would continue to listen to Jesus and act on God's kingdom purposes.

Global

- Lift up Dale Nafziger as he spends the next two weeks here in the US picking up some needed supplies for their business. Pray for their daughter, Sushma, as she is awaiting a visa to remain in Nepal.
- Mennonite Mission Network's Colorado Springs Service Adventure unit helps extend the ministry of Beth-El Mennonite Church through building relationships in the community. Pray for Elyse Burton as she helps families who are homeless and for Makenzie Shelman as she works with people with disabilities. Pray also for unit leader Cindy Headings.

Community Groups Meeting at DMC:

Sunday:

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

Monday:

Boy Scouts (weekly, 5pm, pavilion)

Tuesday:

AlaNon (weekly, 7pm, basement) Stand by Me NA (weekly, 7pm, pavilion) 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)

Stats: Nov 8

Attendance: 60

Offerings-

Missions: \$4125.00 General Fund: \$1582.00 (Nov 6-13)