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).

People Serving Today:

Trustee of the month: Cesar Garrido **Greeters:** Glenn & Janice Wyble

Worship Leader: Steve Landes

Music Leader: Lisa Reiff **Preacher**: KrisAnne Swartley

Prayer Ushers: Mark Reiff, Freida Myers

Intercessor: Aimee Gourley

Nursery (worship/SS): Cindy Strauch/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/

Upcoming Events

Nov 22 Prayer by zoom 9:00am

> Care Team mtg 7:00pm

Dec 2 Prayer by zoom 1:00pm

DMC NOTES:

Sunday School Classes (11:10am-11:50am)-

Nursery & Children's class (up to Grade 5) – basement rooms Traditional Adult Class - Room 102/103 Women's Support Group - Room 203 Discovery Bible Study – Philippians – Sandy's group in Rm 201 & Randy's group in the basement fellowship hall

Discovery Bible Study series ends today. See the letter sent out this week from Pastor Randy and MLT regarding a new class beginning in January on human sexuality.

Tuesday 9am / Friday 1pm Zoom Prayer- Anyone is welcome to join these weekly prayer groups! Visit this link: https://zoom.us/j/98235668858?pwd=dE1zWTJ0d1VPdURIN2 hHWXFJaDJXQT09 (meeting ID 982 3566 8858, passcode 805803. To join by phone, call 1-929-205-6099)

Letter from MLT- A letter from Ministry Leadership Team was sent by email this week. If you did not receive it or would like a paper copy of the letter and the attachments, there are a number of copies available on the mailbox table.

Advent Worship Theme - In the weeks leading up to Christmas, we will focus on our yearly theme of "Searching for the Source." However, we will flip that theme around and look at the ways, throughout scripture, that "Our Source Seeks Us." God seeks humanity over and over again throughout scripture. This is most fully true in Jesus, who came to seek and save the lost. We will gather for worship on Christmas Eve at 7:00pm and Christmas Day, Sunday at 10:00am.

Mission Sunday – Our last Mission Sunday of the year will be December 11th. Noel Santiago, our Conference Leadership Minister, will bring the message. All offerings collected that morning will go toward the mission organizations outlined in our 2022 church budget. If you give online or mail your check to the church office, please let KrisAnne know you would like your donation designated for missions.

Sermon Notes: Genesis 3:1-24

How did Adam and Eve respond to their own sin?

How did God respond... and how did God NOT respond?

What is your one "take-away" from this message, for the week ahead?

Prayer Guide: 2022 Advent Theme – Our Source Seeks Us

DMC participants to pray for:

Lorraine Landis – Pray for daily strength and peace for Lorraine as she continues to recuperate at home.

Monday – Pray for eyes to see how God is seeking you today- in the busyness or the pauses, in both the joys and the struggles. When you sense His Presence, listen for what He may be asking you: where are you, who are you listening to, what have you done?

Tuesday – Ask God to bring someone to mind, who is in need of assurance of God's Presence and Work in their life. Pray that they will sense the nearness of God today.

Wednesday – Pray for those who live outside today; the winter months are brutal for those without shelter. Pray that God will meet their needs and listen to the Spirit for how you can be part of that provision.

Thursday – Pray for those who work in retail this holiday season. Pray for strength and patience for them; pray God's blessing upon them as they work to provide for themselves and their families.

Friday – Pray for missionaries who will spend Christmas apart from loved ones. Pray God will give them comfort, peace and joy.

Saturday – Pray the crafted prayer below in preparation for worship tomorrow. It has been re-written a little bit, in light of our Advent Theme:

Crafted Prayer for Advent 2022:

Heavenly Father, we praise and trust You. You are our Hope. We long to live without fear and put our confidence in You. Let us be found by You, Jesus, as you seek after us. You are our Source, the Source of life for the whole world! Let us always produce fruit in our homes and community for Your glory. Amen

Community Groups Meeting @ DMC

Sunday

LAA (weekly, 7pm, basement)

Girl Scouts (monthly, 6:30pm, Room 201)

<u>Tuesday</u>

AWP Empowerment (weekly, 9am-2pm, basement)

Alanon (weekly, 7pm, basement)

Wednesday

AA (weekly, 12pm, basement)

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

Thursday

Support Group (weekly, 7pm, Room 201)

Sandy Ridge Community Garden

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday work hours

November 20th

Attendance: 50

Offering: \$3108.00 (Nov 18-25)