

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: Michael Gourley

Greeters: Don & Judy Derstine

Worship Leader: Sue Bartels

Music Leader: Ronda Histan

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Nursery (worship): Cyndi Landis

Prayer Ushers: Nancy Heacock, Mark Reiff

Intercessor: Kathy Heckler

Sunday School: MLT shares their 6-month trial report

Next week's Sunday School topic: TBD

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

Happening This Week:

Sep 10	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
Sep 10	Care & Share Day	9:00 am-5:00 pm
Sep 11	Morning Out	10:00 am
Sep 11	MLT meeting	7:00 pm
Sep 13	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 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.

Sunday School resumes today, September 8. For the adults, MLT will share our report regarding the recent survey of our six-month trial. We are grateful for the helpful responses to the survey and look forward to sharing future plans to keep us learning to be a sent church. Your suggestions and questions have helped to sharpen this focus.

Thank you to those who contributed financial support for Gideon and Madison Youssef as they travel to Egypt. Roughly \$1,900 has been collected so far. Today, September 8, is the last Sunday we will collect funds for this opportunity.

Pastor Sandy will be on vacation this week, September 9 - 13. For prayer chain requests, please contact Mary Lee Chittick at mlchit@comcast.net or 215-803-0491.

It's the return of **Morning Out!** All women are invited Wednesday, September 11, 10:00-11:30 am in Room 205 for a time of connection and inspirational reflection. Light snacks provided; bring your own beverage. Invite a friend! Questions? Contact Judy Garrido.

The **flower sign-up sheet** for the remainder of 2024 is now posted on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. If you're able to provide flowers for worship for a Sunday (or two ... or more!) over the next several months, please sign up!

Congratulations to Jim and Louise Beyer as they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Thursday, August 29. Blessings to Jim and Louise!

2 Chronicles 7:12-16, Luke 18:9-14

Does your prayer regularly include as much listening to God as it does directing God what to do?

When you hear of or experiences difficulties does your prayer include seeking God's face and turning from your wickedness?

Do your prayers sound more like the Pharisee or the tax collector?

How will you change your prayer practice to include prayers of humility?

2024 Theme – Jesus Gave Them Authority

DMC participants to pray for:

Lisa, Mark, Sam, and Silas Reiff - Pray for Silas' growth and development and that he would eat by mouth.

The Warren family - Pray for Debby and her children as they grieve the passing of Michael, husband, father and grandfather.

Glenn Wyble - Give thanks for the healing he has experienced. Pray for complete healing and strength.

Prayer Guide:

Monday: As the Spirit reminds you through the day, pray, "Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner." Luke 18:13. Receive God's grace with thanksgiving.

Tuesday: Pray for Spruce Lake Ministries as they plan the closing of the Outdoor Ed Program. Give thanks for all that has been learned over the many years.

Wednesday: Look around you today and note the beauty, big and small, of God's creation. How can you share that with another person?

Thursday: Who do you know who is hurting today? Lift them up to the throne of grace.

Friday: How is Jesus giving you rest as you release burdens you carry to God? Give thanks for the freedom we experience in the rest Jesus promises.

Saturday: Just as Jesus depended on the Father as his source, we also are invited to lean into Abba, with humility and a dependent heart

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)

September 1

Attendance: 50

Offering (8/30-9/6):
\$3,967