

# Doylestown Mennonite Church

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## WELCOME!

We are people on a journey of following Jesus and invite you to walk with us. In our desire to be authentic, we share our joys and struggles in order 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/Ushers: Louise Beyer, Gary Garges

Garry & Cyndi Landis

Worship Leader: Sue Bartels

Offertory: Ronda Histan

Prayer Ushers: Don Heckler, Nancy Heacock

Intercessor: Sandy Landes

Nursery- Worship: Don & Judy Derstine

### Upcoming Events

Dec 9	Trustees mtg	7:00pm
Dec 10	Prayer Together	9:00am
	Care & Share Day	9am-6pm
Dec 11	Listening Prayer	7:00pm
Dec 12	MLT	7:00pm
Jan 11	Women's Prayer Retreat	9am-3pm
	Karen's Place Movie Night	6:30pm

### DMC NOTES:

**Today we welcome "The Puppet and Storyworks"!** We hope you enjoy this special Christmas program! All are welcome to a meal in the basement fellowship hall following the program, at 11:30am.

**During the month of Advent,** you are invited to set aside a time to visit the Upstairs Prayer room to use the prayer activity created especially around our theme: **Creating Space for Jesus.** Sign up to reserve the space on the calendar outside the prayer room or stop in at your convenience. Check with the office if you need access to the building when it is closed.

**A note from MLT-** On **December 15<sup>th</sup>** we will be hearing from a guest preacher who is a potential lead pastor candidate for Towamencin Mennonite Church. The search committee from that congregation has been invited to attend worship on that day in order to hear him preach. We will not podcast this particular sermon or publicize the candidate's name beyond our congregation in order to respect confidentiality. We are asking that only members of the search committee from Towamencin attend our service that day and that DMC people do not share any opinions with friends who may attend Towamencin. Towamencin is a congregation that Pastor Randy relates to through his Conference work, and this is an opportunity for us to support and encourage them in their pastoral search process.

All are invited to join **Christmas caroling** on **Wednesday, Dec. 18 @ 6 pm** at the home of Don and Kathy Heckler, 200 Murray Drive, Doylestown. Contact Don or Kathy at 215-345-4493 for additional information.

**Pastors Randy, Sandy and KrisAnne** would like to thank the congregation for the thoughtful Pastor's Appreciation presentations and gifts last Sunday. The personal touches were so meaningful and encouraging! It is a joy to serve at DMC and we are grateful for each one who is a part of this faith community.

## Notes from Today's Program:

### Prayer Guide: 2019 Theme- Incarnational Living: being Jesus' presence in the world

#### DMC individuals/families

##### In what ways are you being invited this Advent season to make space for God?

- **Jenni Garrido** – Pray for continued healing and for energy. Praise God for his constant faithfulness.
- **Ronda Histand** – plans to have surgery on Tuesday, December 10, pray that Ronda and Kaitlyn would experience God's presence and peace through this procedure and the recuperation
- **Tim Brenneman** – being treated for lung cancer, experiencing fatigue and pain
- **Bill and Karen Fennell, in Colorado with son, Michael and family**, Praise God Michael came home on Friday, Pray for continued strength and healing, relief from pain.

#### Community Connections

- **Spruce Lake/Pinebrook** – Praise God for the many students and schools who are learning to know God better through the Outdoor School at Spruce Lake this past fall. Pray that the DEP permit for the waste water improvements they are currently working on would be approved.
- **West Swamp Mennonite Church** – Please pray for new vision and renewed vigor as they partner with their new pastor, Michael Howes, to “reflect God in their living, loving and serving the the Upper Bucks area,” striving to be salt and light to their community.

#### Global Concerns

- Unrest continues in **Hong Kong**. Pray for the Mennonite World Conference Deacons delegation who will visit in December. May the presence of the global Anabaptist family through these representatives be an encouragement to the Mennonite church in Hong Kong and a witness to the Prince of Peace.

### Groups Meeting at DMC:

#### Sunday:

**Playwright's Bridge** (2pm, basement,  
1x/month)

**NA** (7pm, basement)

#### Monday:

**Girl Scouts** (6pm, basement, 1x/month)

#### Tuesday:

**AlaNon** (7pm, basement)

#### Wednesday:

**AA** (12pm, basement)

**Bucks Co. Writers' Group** (7pm, basement)

**PA Rush soccer** (7pm, main floor, 1x/month)

#### Thursday:

**OA** (10am, main floor)

**Girl Scouts** (6pm, basement, 2x/month)

**Thurs Eve Group** (7pm, Room 201)

### Stats: 12/1/2019

Attendance: 61

Offering: \$3251.00

Final Thanksgiving Eve:  
\$1260.00