

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: Cesar Garrido

Greeters: Gideon & Karen Youssef

Worship Leader: Sue Bartels

Music Leader: Ronda Histan

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Nursery (worship): Joyce Zuzack

Prayer Ushers: Freida Myers, Kendrick Garrido

Intercessor: Karen Fennell

Sunday School is not regularly scheduled during July & August

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

Happening This Week:

July 16	Prayer by Zoom	9:00 am
July 16	Listening Prayer	3:00 pm
July 16	Care Team meeting	7:00 pm
July 19	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.

Listening Prayer meets this Tuesday, July 16 at 3:00 pm in the Sunday School room next to the mailboxes.

The DMC outdoor prayer garden has received a much-needed "sprucing up," thanks to Dave Santopietro. Great job, Dave! A time of praying and rededicating the outdoor spaces here at DMC to God's purposes is planned for Sunday, July 21, 9:15 to 9:45 am. Meet in the prayer garden. All are welcome to join as we bless these spaces used by the local community.

The Care Team is delighted to report the good news of Gary Garges' positive affirmation (32 received) to serve on the team. Our first meeting with Gary will be Tuesday, July 16. We welcome Gary with gratitude for God's goodness and Gary's willingness. As a congregation, we will participate in a prayer of commissioning for this calling next Sunday, July 21, during the worship service.

The July **prayer practice discussion** is planned for Sunday, July 21 during the Sunday School hour, 11:15 to 12 noon.

Please join us for our annual **church picnic**, being held at Lost Acres Ranch on Sunday, August 4 - worship begins at 10 am and lunch at 11:30 am. See the flyer in today's bulletin for directions and more details.

Ephesians 2:1-10, Matthew 20:20-28

What does it mean to live in gratitude and humility?

When are you most easily swayed by outer appearance or image?

Will you take the risk of asking God to order or rearrange your world?

Will you invite God to show you an area of life in which you hang out with Jesus but fail to practice what he says?

2024 Theme – Jesus Gave Them Authority

DMC participants to pray for:

Lisa, Mark, Sam, and Silas Reiff – Pray for continued healing for Silas. Testing was completed with no discernable problems discovered. Pray for Silas as he has a scheduled surgery planned for Monday, July 15; pray for wisdom for the doctors and Mark and Lisa as they care for Silas.

Randy Heacock's mother, Joanne Heacock, is receiving hospice care at her assisted living facility. Pray for Randy and his family to continue to know God's presence and for his mom to experience God's peace as she waits to meet her Lord.

MaryLee Chittick is thankful that her strength is improving. Pray for discernment and clarity for the doctors' appointments she will have in the coming weeks.

Prayer Guide:

Monday: Confess your tendency to tell God what to do and ask God to help you listen for God's voice throughout the day.

Tuesday: Ask God to bring to your mind one teaching of Jesus that you are to practice today.

Wednesday: Pray for the NA group that meets in our church at 6:00 pm. Pray that the leaders can help the group be welcoming and supportive to all seeking help.

Thursday: Pray for Lisa and Mark Reiff as they care for Sam and Silas. Pray for both courage and wisdom as they interact with the doctors at CHOP.

Friday: Pray for people who work outside in the extreme heat. Either name specific people you know or others you see outside asking God to give them strength for their task.

Saturday: Pray for those leading worship tomorrow that they will prepare as God desires. Include the sound and tech people along with worship/song leaders.

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)

July 7

Attendance: 34

Offering (7/5-12):

\$8,341