

# 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

### People Serving Today:

Greeters: Don & Kathy Heckler

Piano Prelude: Heather Zeo

Worship leader: Mark Reiff

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Prayer Ushers: Sandy & Steve Landes

Intercessor: Betty Good

Worship services are streamed live on the public church Facebook page at 10:00am. The video remains available to view at any time. Video 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

Dec 1	Prayer by zoom	9:00am
	TNT	6-8pm
Dec 4	Prayer by zoom	1:00pm
Dec 6	Conversation Group	11:15am

### DMC NOTES:

**TODAY-** We are worshipping in-person and live online, in lieu of serving at Ripple Community Inc. in Allentown. Thanks to those who have volunteered to put the meals together following this morning's worship service (meet pastor Sandy in the basement fellowship hall). We plan to serve at Ripple Community on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of January (1/31).

**Offering envelopes-** 2021 offering envelopes have been placed in church mailboxes this week. Please contact the church office if you received the wrong envelope number, if you didn't receive envelopes and would like them, or if you would prefer to receive your envelopes by USPS. Church phone number and email address are at the top of this page. Thank you!

**December News & Views-** The monthly newsletter is coming out next Sunday. If you have any items to contribute, please get them to Lois Myers by Tuesday evening ([myersfm@juno.com](mailto:myersfm@juno.com)). Thank you!

**December Discernment Conversations- Racism-** The sermon for this topic will be given on November 29<sup>th</sup>. There will be three groups this month- 2 in-person and 1 by zoom. We are capping the groups at 10 people, so that all have a chance to participate. Sign-up for a group by notifying the church office:

- Sunday 12/6 @ 11:15am, in-person, led by pastor Randy
- Sunday 12/13 @ 11:15am, in-person, led by Mark Reiff
- Tuesday 12/29 @ 7:00pm, by zoom, led by pastor Sandy

## Sermon Notes: Micah 6:6-11, Luke 18:9-14

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

*"Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner." Luke 18:13 "And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8*

#### **DMC**

- **Praise God** for his mercy shown to us. Ask God to give you a humble heart as you relate to other and show mercy.
- Praise God for the gift of the message, **"Be not afraid,"** that God speaks to us every day through the scriptures, the Holy Spirit, and encounters with other people.
- **Pray for DMC** to be built up in faith as we practice discernment through conversations over the next month.
- Pray for **DMC participants in long-term care facilities:** Grace Brenneman, Peg Freed, June Hstand, John and Sara Faye Moyer, and Dorothy Wartko as visits are limited due to Covid restrictions. Pray for peace and a sense of connection with God and others.

#### **Community**

- **Pray for grace, God's empowering presence, to fill us** as we enter the Christmas season with many differences this year. As we mourn the loss of normal gatherings, ask God to give us creativity to connect and serve in our current reality with joy.
- **Pray for the Ripple community and congregation as they seek to serve their community in Allentown.** They exist to nurture community and connection in Allentown. Pray that the meals DMC delivers today will be a blessing to the Ripple Church in their service to their neighbors.
- **Pray for Spruce Lake/Pinebrook during this time when few guests will be present due to Covid.** Ask God to bless leaders and staff with wisdom and peace.

#### **Global**

- **Lift up Dale Nafziger as he spends the next few days here in the US** picking up some needed supplies for their business and visiting with his immediate family. He expects to travel back to Nepal on Dec. 3. Pray for their daughter, Sushma, as she is awaiting a visa to remain in Nepal.
- **David and Sophie Lapp Jost of Mennonite Mission Network** live in Germany but were on the Greek island of Lesbos to witness more than 12,000 people displaced by a fire that burned a migrant camp. Pray that God's people throughout the world will open their hearts to welcome as neighbors those who live without homes.

#### **Community Groups Meeting at DMC:**

##### **Sunday:**

Playwrite's Bridge (monthly, 2-5pm, basement)  
NA (weekly, 7pm, basement)  
Boy Scouts (weekly, 2pm, pavilion)

##### **Tuesday:**

AlaNon (weekly, 7pm, basement)

##### **Wednesday:**

AA (weekly, noon, basement)  
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 22**

Attendance: 59

Offering: \$3180.00  
(Nov 20-27)