

# 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).

### Serving today:

Trustee of the Month: Michael Gourley

Greeters: Michael & Aimee Gourley

Worship Leader: Sue Bartels

Music Leader: KrisAnne Swartley

Preacher: Randy Heacock

Nursery (worship): Joyce Zuzack

Prayer Ushers: Nancy Heacock, Mark Reiff

Intercessor: MaryLee Chittick

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/>

### Happening this week:

May 16	Prayer by zoom	9:00am
	Listening Prayer	5:00pm
May 19	Prayer by zoom	1:00pm
May 20	Karen's Place Coffeehouse	7-10pm

### **DMC NOTES:**

**Sunday School Opportunities (11:10-11:50am) -**

Nursery & Children's Classes – Basement classrooms

Teens – see Pastor KrisAnne!

Adults - Addressing society on LGBTQ issues – Fellowship Hall

Traditional Adult Class – Room 102/103

**Tuesday 9am / Friday 1pm Zoom Prayer-** Anyone is welcome to join these weekly prayer groups! Visit this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/98235668858?pwd=dE1zWTJ0d1VPdURIN2hHWXFJaDJXQT09> (meeting ID 982 3566 8858, passcode 805803. To join by phone, call 1-929-205-6099)

**Prayer at the Cross** – a kneeling bench has been placed at the cross in the sanctuary. As we begin a sermon series on prayer, take a few moments to kneel there before, during or after the worship service... to listen, to be strengthened, to lament, to confess, to be transformed. Rather than asking God to do something you desire, the invitation is to be still in God's Presence.

**Please take special note of the half sheet** insert in the bulletin this Sunday. There are important updates from Ministry Leadership Team.

**Listening Prayer** meets Tuesday afternoon, May 16, 5 pm in the 2nd floor prayer room. Come to be refreshed and encouraged.

**Mission Sunday** – Our third and final mission Sunday of the year will be **next Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**. Phil and Pratiksha Tyson will be with us and will bring the morning message. All offerings collected that morning will go toward the mission organizations listed in our yearly budget. If you give through USPS or online, please let the church office know you want your giving designated for missions. Thank you!

**Decorated Easter Fruit-** if you decorated a paper fruit for the cross for Easter, and would like to keep it, they are in the church office on KrisAnne's desk. Feel free to take yours home!

**Church Picnic-** We will gather once again at Lost Acres for worship and a picnic lunch on Sunday, **August 6**.

## Scripture Text – Ephesians 3:14-19

What is wrong with the way I walk?

What is the context of Paul's prayer?

For what does Paul pray?

Can we raise the bar in our prayers?

### Prayer Guide:

### **2023 Theme – Spirit-Produced Fruit**

**Monday** – Today, practice asking God for nothing except for you and your loved ones to be strengthened and to know God's love that is wide, long, high and deep.

**Tuesday** – Pray for local elected officials in your community. Pray for wisdom as they lead. Pray for humility and grace as they work with others.

**Wednesday** – Find a few quiet moments today to be still in God's Presence. Ask God to reveal more of His Love for you. Take that sense of being loved with you into the rest of your day.

**Thursday** – Pray for law enforcement officials today. Pray for grace as they face difficult circumstances. Pray for wisdom as they encounter conflict and need to make decisions quickly.

**Friday** – Take a few moments today to review your week. Ask God to reveal anything you need to confess. Also ask the Spirit to reveal the things you can express gratitude for and celebrate.

**Saturday** – Pray for the individuals you cross paths with today. Pray that they will encounter the love and grace of Jesus Christ.

### **2023 Crafted Prayer-**

Dear Father, we praise and thank you for the glorious mystery of your Trinity. We are grateful that you have sent the Holy Spirit, whose transforming power is at work in us. The fruit that the Spirit produces in each of us brings forth your kingdom here on earth. Let us keep in step with you, Holy Spirit, ever mindful of the power that your gifts provide. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

### **Community Groups Meeting @ DMC**

#### Sunday

LAA (weekly, 7pm, basement)  
Girl Scouts (monthly, 6:30pm, Room 201)

#### Tuesday

Alanon (weekly, 7pm, basement)

#### Sandy Ridge Community Garden

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday work hours

#### Wednesday

AA (weekly, 12pm, basement)  
Naranon (weekly, 6pm, Rm 201)  
Bucks Co. Writers (weekly, 7pm, basement)

#### Thursday

Support Group (weekly, 7pm, Room 201)

#### German Chat Groups

3<sup>rd</sup> week of month, T/TH 1pm & Wed 7pm, Rm 102/103

**May 7<sup>th</sup>**

Attendance: 40

Offering: \$4957.00  
(May 5-12)