



# Doylestown Presbyterian Church

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January 19, 2025  
10:30 am

# All Are Welcome in God's House

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## Second Sunday after Epiphany

The Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

*(Persons nearest the center aisle are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)*

Prelude

*Lift Thine Eyes*  
String Ensemble

Mendelssohn/arr. LaBrie

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 36:5-10a

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgements are like the great deep;**

You save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

**How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

**For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.**

O continue your steadfast love. Let us worship God!

\*Hymn 298

Lord, You Give the Great Commission  
*Verses 1, 2, 4, 5*

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

For failing to love others as you have loved us...God of grace, **forgive us.**

For wasting your gifts and hoarding our goods...God of grace, **forgive us.**

For plundering the earth and abusing the planet...God of grace, **forgive us.**

For fearing those who are strange to us and ignoring those in need...God of grace, **forgive us.**

For losing heart and abandoning hope...God of grace, **forgive us.**

For all the ways we turn from you...God of grace, **forgive us.**

We offer our prayers in the name of the One who saves us, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*(a moment for Silent Reflection and Confession)*

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\*Congregational Response 399

*God Welcomes All*

THEMBA AMEN

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;**

**God's love is strong and it never ends.**

*\* Please stand in body or in spirit.*

***Bolded** text invites the congregation to respond*

\*The Sharing of the Peace of Christ

The Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.**

First Scripture Lesson: Matthew 9:9-13

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 9

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

*How Lovely are the Messengers*  
Chancel Choir, String Ensemble

F. Mendelssohn

*How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace!  
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words.*

*(Ushers will collect prayer request cards during this time.)*

Time with the Children

*(After the message, children ages four through sixth grade may leave for Children's Worship Time. Parents may pick up their children in Room 202 and 207, located across the bridge, following worship.)*

Prayer of Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 34

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"Light In the Darkness: The Matthew Window"

Rev. Dr. Mac Schafer

\*Affirmation of Faith

Matthew 5:1-10

**When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."**

\*Hymn 733

*We All Are One in Mission*

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Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering of Our Gifts and Lives

*(To give online or via text message, click the "Give" tab at the top of our website.)*

Offertory

*Andante (from Sonata No. 6)*  
Jason Moore, Organ

F. Mendelssohn

\*Congregational Response 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn 296

*Go in Grace and Make Disciples*

WONDROUS LIGHT

\*Benediction

Postlude

*Allegro Maestoso (from Sonata No. 2)*

F. Mendelssohn

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## Welcome to Worship at Doylestown Presbyterian Church!

Whether in-person or joining us from home, we are glad that you are with us!

**Assisting:** Rev. Becca Bateman; Jamie Neal, Seminarian **Lay Leader:** Marie Stevens

**In the spirit of worship**, we remind you:

- To please silence your cellphones.
- Children are welcomed in worship. There is also a nursery for children aged 9 months to 4.5 (just across the bridge).
- If needed, visit the Celtic Cross Room, located below the sanctuary, to view the worship service livestream.

The **flowers** today are given in loving memory of my husband, Tom, by Ginny Swartley.

**New Life!** The rosebud on the Communion Table celebrates the birth of Eva Carmela, born on January 10, to Christian and Amy Menno.

Join together for **coffee, tea, and refreshments** on the bridge between worship services each Sunday.

Wearing your **DPC name tags** is not only a great way to help our new Pastor match names and faces, but it's also a wonderful way to connect with visitors, new members, and each other!



*Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love.*

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