



# Doylestown Presbyterian Church

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January 26, 2025  
10:30 am

# All Are Welcome in God's House

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## Third 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

*In the Beginning*  
Sunshine Singers

\*Call to Worship

Come, let us worship the Lord who reigns with authority and power!

**Jesus Christ is the King of kings and Lord of lords.**

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Christ.

**We honor and praise the One who commands the winds and waves, who heals the sick and drives out darkness.**

Let us worship the Lord!

\*Hymn 268

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**Loving God, we gather in your presence, acknowledging our need for your healing grace. With heavy hearts, we come burdened by wounds, fears, and struggles that weigh us down. In the midst of our difficulties, we often lose sight of the pain that others bear. Forgive us for the moments we have neglected to lay our burdens down and to shoulder the burdens of our neighbors. Cleanse us of our pride; teach us to humbly seek you in our troubles so that our lives may be a living testament of your healing love. Hear us as we silently confess our sins...**

*(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.**

\*The Sharing of the Peace of Christ

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

*\* Please stand in body or in spirit.  
Bolded text invites the congregation to respond*

## 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.)*

First Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 53: 1-5

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 683

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

Anthem

*All Things New*  
Chancel Choir

Elaine Hagenberg

*Light after darkness, gain after loss; Strength after weakness, crown after cross;  
Sweet after bitter, hope after fears; Home after wandering, praise after tears.  
(Refrain) Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end, He is making all things new.  
Springs of living water shall wash away each tear; He is making all things new.  
Sight after mystery, sun after rain; Joy after sorrow, peace after pain.  
Near after distant, gleam after gloom; Love after loneliness, life after tomb. (Refrain)*

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

## Prayer of Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson: Mark 1: 21-34

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 35

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

Sermon

“Light In the Darkness: The Mark Window”

Seminarian Jamie Neal

## \*Affirmation of Faith

A Brief Statement of Faith 11.2

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.**

## \*Hymn 795

*Healer of Our Every Ill*

HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

## 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

*O Christ, the Healer (Erhalt uns Herr)*  
Joyful Bells

arr. John Behnke

\*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 793

*O Christ, the Healer*

ERHALT UNS, HERR

\*Benediction

Postlude

*Fugue in A minor, BWV 543*

J.S. Bach

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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. Dr. Mac Schafer and Rev. Becca Bateman

**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 Katie Lamb, our precious daughter and sister, on the occasion of her birthday, by Rick Lamb and Jonathan and Megan Craig.

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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