



Doylestown Presbyterian Church

February 23, 2025
10:30 am

All Are Welcome in God's House

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Seventh 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

Sonatina

Christian Fink

*Call to Worship

— from Psalms 100:1-2; 2 Thessalonians 3:18

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us worship God.

*Hymn 410

God Is Calling through the Whisper

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Reception of New Members

*Congregational Response

Blest Be the Tie That Binds
(Lyrics on the screen)

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*The Sharing of the Peace of Christ

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

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: Revelation 3:14-22

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 247

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

Anthem

Softly and Tenderly
Chancel Choir

arr. Rene Clausen

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

Prayer of Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson: Ephesians 2:1-10

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 192

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

Sermon

"Light In the Darkness: Jesus Knocking"

Rev. Dr. Mac Schafer

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

*Affirmation of Faith

— from “The Ministry of Members” in *The Book of Order*

Membership in the Church of Jesus Christ is a joy and a privilege. It is also a commitment to participate in Christ’s mission. A faithful member bears witness to God’s love and grace and promises to be involved responsibly in the ministry of Christ’s Church. Such involvement includes:

proclaiming the good news in word and deed,

taking part in the common life and worship of a congregation,

lifting one another up in prayer, mutual concern, and active support,

studying Scripture and the issues of Christian faith and life,

supporting the ministry of the church through the giving of money, time, and talents,

demonstrating a new quality of life within and through the church,

responding to God’s activity in the world through service to others,

living responsibly in the personal, family, vocational, political, cultural, and social relationships of life,

working in the world for peace, justice, freedom, and human fulfillment,

caring for God’s creation,

participating in the governing responsibilities of the church,

and reviewing and evaluating regularly the integrity of one’s membership and considering ways in which one’s participation in the worship and service of the church may be increased and made more meaningful.

*Hymn

O Jesus, Thou Art Standing

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O Je - sus, Thou art stand - ing Out - side the fast - closed door, In
O Je - sus, Thou art knock - ing; And lo, that hand is scarred, And
O Je - sus, Thou art plead - ing In ac - cents meek and low, "I
low - ly pa - tience wait - ing To pass the thresh - old o'er: Shame
thorns Thy brow en - cir - cle, and tears Thy face have marred: O
died for you, My chil - dren, and will ye treat me so?" O
on us, Chris - tian peo - ple, His name and sign who bear, O
love that pass - eth knowl - edge, So pa - tient - ly to wait! O
Lord, with shame and sor - row We o - pen now the door; Dear
shame, thrice shame up - on us, To keep Him stand - ing there!
sin that hath no e - qual, So fast to bar the gate!
Sav - iour, en - ter, en - ter, And leave us nev - er more!

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

Lento (from Concerto in G)
Eileen Telly & Marcy Huang

Georg Telemann

*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 728

Somebody's Knocking at Your Door

SOMEBODY'S KNOCKIN'

*Benediction

Postlude

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Benedetto Marcello

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Cindy Beck, Jan Chapman, Elizabeth Gabrielson, Ross Gabrielson, Kathleen Graham, Marcy Huang, Dave Merrick, Millie Merrick, Mayo Pujols, and Katy Schafer

Following worship, all are invited to a reception on the bridge to welcome the new members.



Assisting: Rev. Becca Bateman and Jamie Neal, Seminarian **Lay Leader:** Mary Shull

The **flowers** today are given in loving memory of Lee Ann Lamb, our beloved wife, mother, and Nannie, on the occasion of her birthday by Rick Lamb, Jonathan and Megan Craig and grandchildren; and in loving memory of Gina Garretson by Craig Garretson.



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

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