

Doylestown Presbyterian Church
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
January 29, 2023 – 8:30 am
John Mulder preaching, John Willingham assisting

Words of Welcome

Prelude

King of Kings
Mina Choi

Hillsong

Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-2, 4-5

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness;

come into his presence with singing.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Hymn 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

Prayer of Confession

God our Judge,

we admit we have double standards.

We seek forgiveness for ourselves,

but fail to forgive others.

We seek relief for ourselves,

but fail to seek relief for others.

We seek leniency for ourselves,

but fail to show that mercy to others.

Forgive us, Mighty God, and help us to forgive,

showing others the same grace and mercy

that you have generously shown to us.

(a moment for Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 6:7-15

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 5

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

(Ushers will collect prayer request cards following the lesson.)

Anthem

You Are My King
Mina Choi

Amazing Love

Sermon

“The Heart of Christianity”

Concerns of the Church

(Persons nearest the aisles 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.)

Prayers of the People

* Those who are able, please stand

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.

*Hymn 720

Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

*Benediction

*Postlude

God of Grace

P. Manz

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We welcome to our pulpit today, the **Reverend Doctor John M. Mulder**. John is an honorably retired member of Mid-Kentucky Presbytery, having served for 22 years as the President of Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. John and his wife, Mary, are now part of DPC and we look forward to his message.

New Life! The rosebud on the Communion Table celebrates the birth of **Delilah Lorraine Hosey**, born on January 26 to Jessie and Max Hosey. The proud DPC grandparents are Tom and Ann Petro.

Christian Sympathy. Our sympathy is extended to Janet Roberto on the death of her mother **Norma Hockenjos** on January 24. We hold this family in prayer in their time of loss.

The **flowers** are given today 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.

Today's **Prayer of Confession** is taken from *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching and the Arts*, Volume 56.1, p. 162.

Congregational Meeting. The Session has called for a congregational meeting to take place on Sunday, February 5 immediately following the 10:30 worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to:

- Elect Deacons and Ruling Elders to the Class of 2024 and the Class of 2026
- Approve changes in the pastors' Terms of Call for 2023
- Receive the 2022 financial report and the 2023 operating budget

We will extend our usual Sunday worship livestream to allow you to view the congregational meeting. Comments or questions during the meeting can be emailed to dpc@dtownpc.org. The Livestream can be accessed by visiting www.dtownpc.org/watch-us-live. Whether in person or online, we encourage you to join us for what should be a brief, but significant time together.



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