Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



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Welcome to Worship at Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church!

Our faith community extends a warm welcome to all worshipping with us today and hopes that you will return often.

Welcoming All, Serving Christ, Transforming Lives

The Service for the Lord's Day; Second Sunday of Easter; April 19, 2020 *Our Vocalists are Sara & Clyde Harkrader*

STRIKING OF THE HOUR WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Nancy Dawson Rev. Nancy Dawson

We offer God's peace to one another in the ancient words of the church: "The peace of Christ be with you." & response "And also with you."

PRELUDE

I Know that My Redeemer Lives

Handel/Ellson

Clyde Harkrader, Liturgist

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DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We enter this time of worship in confident expectation.

P: We gather together open to the one who greets us where we are.

L: This is a special time of worship and inspiration.

P: Our hearts are filled with joyous anticipation

L: Let us praise our God, revealed to us in Jesus Christ.

P: Glory and honor to Christ who gives us a living hope and to the Spirit who empowers us for ministry.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of glory, fill your church with your power that flows from Christ's resurrection so that, in the midst of these uncertain days we may sense your presence and peace. Breathe your Holy Spirit into our hearts that we may be strong to serve you and spread abroad your good news for the glory of your Holy Name. Amen

HYMN #232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia! But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured. Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia! Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has been made known to us in deeds of power, signs, and wonders, and will not abandon us if we confess the truth about our lives.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of mercy, we come with humble hearts thankful for the gifts of Jesus' gift of new life over death and sin. Forgive us for failing to live as resurrection people, finding joy in each day. Forgive us for pursuing proofs as skeptics rather than trusting you at your word. Lead us to fullness of life in the name of Jesus, AMEN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

My friends, God is our refuge and will not abandon us. In Jesus Christ, we are reconciled to God. That is a promise of peace and joy.

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 1:3-9

Skip Wodke, Lector

What a God we have! And how fortunate we are to have him, this Father of our Master Jesus! Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we've been given a brand-new life and have everything to live for, including a future in heaven—and the future starts now! God is keeping careful watch over us and the future. The Day is coming when you'll have it all—life healed and whole. I know how great this makes you feel, even though you have to put up with every kind of aggravation in the meantime. Pure gold put in the fire comes out of it proved pure; genuine faith put through this suffering comes out proved genuine. When Jesus wraps this all up, it's your faith, not your gold, that God will have on display as evidence of his victory. You never saw him, yet you love him. You still don't see him, yet you trust him—with laughter and singing. Because you kept on believing, you'll get what you're looking forward to: total salvation.

ANTHEM

In the Garden Clyde & Sara Harkrader Miles

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:19-29

Nancy Dawson

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

SERMON

Peace Be With You

Nancy Dawson

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "A Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

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.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

HYMN #246

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is Alive

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine, but saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time. Sara and Clyde Harkrader

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age, till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION POSTLUDE

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