Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



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; Fourth Sunday Easter; April 25, 2021 Our Vocalists are Jim Glass & Gail Midkiff.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Rebecca Moore by her children.

CHIMING 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

Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

Cruger/Bach

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Gerald Doyle, Liturgist

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- L: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.
- P: He lays down his life for his sheep.
- L: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.
- P: He knows us, and we belong to him.
- L: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.
- P: He speaks, and we listen for his voice.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

We are your people, O God—the sheep of your pasture, the flock you have gathered. Lead us beside still waters; teach us the way of righteousness; and feed us at your table; through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. Amen.

HYMN #624

 I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart, who pain didst undergo for my poor sake;
 I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.

2 Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in every place: so come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.

3 Thou art the life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive; sustain us by thy faith and by thy power, and give us strength in every trying hour.

4 Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness;no harshness hast thou and no bitterness.O grant to us the grace we find in thee,that we may dwell in perfect unity.

5 Our hope is in no other save in thee; our faith is built upon thy promise free; Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure, that in thy strength we evermore endure.

CALL TO CONFESSION

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If we are honest with ourselves, our hearts condemn us. But God, who knows everything, is greater than our hearts; and God's deep desire for us is mercy, love, and peace. Therefore let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, it is so easy to stray from the best we know. Before we realize it, we are lost in our fears, dominated by life's shadows, preoccupied with our own worries and concerns. We complain a lot, even though our cups overflow with your goodness and mercy. We are slow to show love to others and slower even to forgive. Turn us around, God for we want to be your faithful disciples.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON John 10:11, 14, 16c, - 18

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. There will be one flock and one shepherd. For this reason the father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord." Therefore in the name and power of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and saved. Amen

CHORAL RESPONSE Hymn #243 Be Not Afraid

Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, Alleluia! Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Nancy Dawson

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Acts 4:1-12

Gerald Doyle, Lector

While Peter and John were speaking to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came to them, much annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming that in Jesus there is the resurrection of the dead. So they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who heard the word believed; and they numbered about five thousand. The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

ANTHEM

Christ Is Risen

1. Christ is risen, Christ is living,	Sien Adan entro la mueite, Por Jesus la vida entro; (As we
Dry your tears, be unafraid!	share the death of Adam, So in Christ we live again)
Death and darkness could not hold Him,	No temais, et triunfo es vuestro; El senor resucito!
Nor the tomb where He was laid.	(Death has lost its sting and terror. Christ the Lord has come
Do not look among the dead for One who lives forevermore;	to reign)
Tell the world that Christ is Risen,	3. Death has lost its old dominion,
Make it known He goes before.	Let the world rejoice and shout!
2. Que si Cristo no viviera Vana fuera nuestra fe. (If the Lord	Christ, the firstborn of the living,
had never risen, We'd have nothing to believe.)	Gives us life and leads us out.
Mas se cumple Su promesa: "Porque vivo, vivi reis" (But His	Let us thank our God who causes Hope
promise can be trusted: "You will live, because I live)	to spring up from the ground.
	Christ is risen. Christ is giving Life eternal, life profound.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 John 3:16–24

Nancy Dawson

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

SERMON

No Other Name

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed Hymnal, page 35

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN #353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

1 My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;	in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain] 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]
all other ground is sinking sand;	
all other ground is sinking sand.	4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
2 When darkness seems to hide his face,	O may I then in him be found,
	dressed in his righteousness alone,
l rest on his unchanging grace;	faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Gracious God, we give you thanks that you have shown us the meaning of love through Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us. Show us how to share Christ's love by giving our lives for one another; to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

HYMN #394

1 Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious,
binding all the church in one;
holy Zion's help forever,
and our confidence alone.
2 To this temple, where we call you,
come, O Lord of hosts, and stay;
come, with all your loving-kindness;
hear your people as we pray,
and your fullest benediction
shed within these walls today.

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

3 Here bestow on all your servants what they seek from you to gain; what they gain from you, forever with the blessed to retain; and hereafter in your glory evermore with you to reign.
4 Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one: one in might and one in glory while unending ages run!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Christ Hath Triumphed, Alleluia!

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