

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, August 16

10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Session meeting

Monday, August 17

10:00 a.m. to noon Art Class
10:00 a.m. to noon Coffee with Pastor at the Bagel & I

Tuesday, August 18

8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance

Wednesday, August 19

11:30 a.m. Centering Prayer
11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch
6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home

Thursday, August 20

3:00 p.m. Communion at Willow Ridge

Friday, August 21

8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance

Saturday, August 22

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Presbytery Day of Learning and Service at Forest
Presbyterian

Lunch Bunch this Wednesday

This month Lunch Bunch will head to Long Mountain Grill on Barricks Lane in Rustburg. Join the group this Wednesday, August 19 at 11:30am. Sara Curtis needs to give the restaurant a final head count tomorrow, so please let her know today if you are attending.

Presbytery wide Day of Service

There is a special day scheduled for Saturday, August 22 at Forest Presbyterian Church. There will be a mission activity in the morning, a cookout lunch and workshops in the afternoon. We will also be collecting non-perishable food (preferable canned goods) until that day in the Narthex.

Yard Sale, August 28-29

We will be having a Yard Sale here to support the Habitat for Humanity Faith Build 2027. We are collecting items for the sale in Room 17 downstairs. We will only accept clothing on hangers with no stains; coats, baby clothes, blue jeans. No t-shirts, socks, sweatshirts underwear, etc. There is a sign-up sheet available in the narthex. We will need people throughout the week before the sale to help set up donated items as well as people to work the sale that Friday evening and Saturday.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given by Sam Leslie to the glory of God and in memory of Judy Newcomb Bigelow Leslie.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST are Gracie Lanier & Joan Woodroof.

OUR USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST are Grace & John Lanier and Maureen & Bob Lockridge.

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Harper Stanbery.

WORSHIP BAGS are available in a basket in the Narthex for children who stay in the sanctuary during worship. They contain tools for worship and items to foster creativity. Enjoy the bags, and at the end of worship, please return them to the basket.

HEARING DEVICES are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BULLETINS are available from the ushers.

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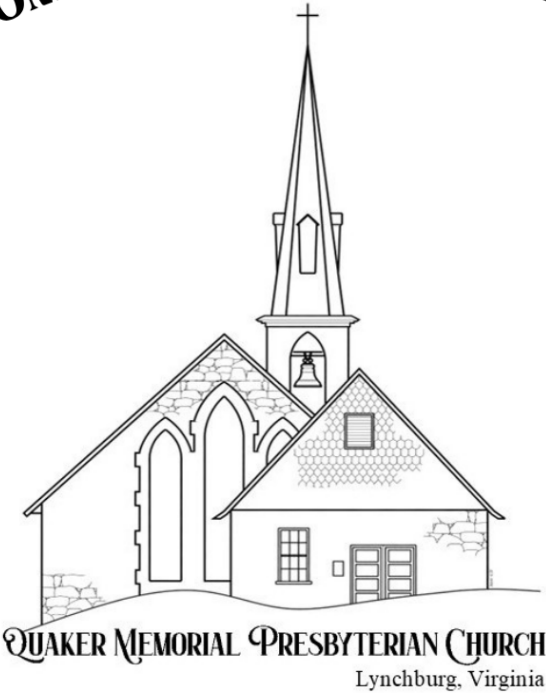


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WELCOMING ALL, SERVING CHRIST



TRANSFORMING LIVES

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

For more than a century, Quaker Memorial has been committed to our mission of Welcoming All, Serving Christ, Transforming Lives. If you are seeking a church that offers abundant opportunities for spiritual and personal growth and Christian witness, we believe that you will find a home here.

The Service for the Lord’s Day
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 16, 2026

WELCOME Anghaarad Teague Dees
ANNOUNCEMENTS Anghaarad Teague Dees
*PASSING OF THE PEACE Anghaarad Teague Dees
*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 *Meditation on “Tis So Sweet”* arr. Davis

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Sally Sease, Liturgist
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
**for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

*OPENING PRAYER Sally Sease, Liturgist
Merciful God, look with kindness on your gathered people, that we might reflect
your goodness to the world around us. For you are a God of justice and
compassion, abundantly providing for the needs of the world. May we be a
reflection of your love, of your mercy, of your justice that we might be a blessing
to the whole earth. Amen.

*HYMN #401 *Gather Us In*

*CALL TO CONFESSION Sally Sease, Liturgist
Many of us live in the rubble of broken relationships. We know all too well the
pain of conflict and division. God’s amazing love is always moving towards us
looking to heal the brokenness of our lives and to mend all divisions. In humility
and faith let us confess our sin together:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Sally Sease, Liturgist
O Loving God, we confess that we often find it hard to confess the ways we
hurt one another...it is even harder to fess up to the ways we wound those clos-
est to us. Jealousy and fear take over our hearts and we tear one another down
rather than build one another up. Cure us of our pettiness and help us mend our
broken relationships. We ask your Spirit to unite us wherever fear prevents us
from caring for our neighbor, from meeting people where they are and help us
to overcome all divisions that we might live in peace. Restore us into a right rela-
tionship with you as we strive to walk humbly, love mercy and act kindly. We
pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Sally Sease, Liturgist
The Psalmist reminds us how very good and pleasant it is when kindred live
together in unity. It is through the restorative powers of Christ that we find
our unity. My siblings in Christ, know that you are forgiven, know that you
are loved, know that God is always working for good in our lives.
Thanks be to God! We are forgiven, freed, restored and loved! Alleluia!
Amen!

*CHORAL RESPONSE #610
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (vs. 5)

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given
by saints below and saint above, the church in earth and heaven.

TIME WITH CHILDREN Amanda Stanbery

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 11:29-32 Bible, page 196
Sally Sease, Lector

ANTHEM *For the Troubles and the Sufferings* Neto/Lockward
Gail Midkiff & James Glass, vocalists

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 45:1-15, 25-28 Bible, page 52

SERMON Sometimes Home Comes To You Anghaarad Teague Dees

*HYMN #445 *God, How Can We Forgive*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostle’s Creed
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.

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.

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY *And Can It Be?* arr. Parks

*DOXOLOGY Hymn #606
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below:
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)
Holy God, you have given each one of us unique gifts and abilities and have
called us to unique settings - our homes, schools, neighborhoods and places of
employment. Just as you used Joseph’s abilities to fulfill your purposes in Egypt
long ago, we pray that you would use us too. Take our gifts, our time and our
resources. Use them - and us - as you see fit so that, through us, your Kingdom
might come and your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Amen.

*HYMN #619 *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *O Worship the King* arr. Rogers

*Please stand if able.