

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**Sunday, December 22**

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 11:15 a.m. Rehearsal for Christmas Eve Family Service

**Tuesday, December 24**

Church Office Closed.  
 9:00 a.m. Romeo's  
 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service  
 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Traditional Service

**Wednesday, December 25**

Merry Christmas! Church Office Closed.

**Saturday, December 28**

9:15 a.m. Visitation for John Scoles  
 10:00 a.m. John Scoles Memorial Service



Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



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*Welcoming All  
 Serving Christ  
 Transforming Lives*

The Service for the Lord's Day  
 Fourth Sunday of Advent  
 December 22, 2019

WELCOME Nancy Dawson

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE 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."*

ANNOUNCEMENTS Nancy Dawson

PRELUDE *Hark the Herald Angels Sing (Jesus, the Light of the World)*  
Elderkin/Wesley

Soloists-Jim Glass and Gail Midkiff

**DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP  
*L: Come, let all who would worship the Lord, sing and give praise.*  
**P: For in Christ we received a Savior who calls us into the family of God.**  
*L: Jesus, born of the virgin Mary, sent that all might be saved.*  
**P: Let us lift our voices in praise before Almighty God**

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES**

\*HYMN #347 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

**Session**

<b>Class of 2019</b>	<b>Class of 2020</b>
Diane Baldwin, chair, Nominating Committee	Eric Barringer, vice chair- Personnel
Julia Bryan, chair, Fellowship & Clerk of Session	Neal Gibson, vice chair- Missions
Gerald Doyle, chair - Personnel	Liz Huband, chair-Christian Education
Nikki Kariuki, chair - Missions	Howard Jennings, chair -Romeos
Tim Roach, chair - Property	John Lanier, co- chair, Budget & Finance

**Class of 2021**

Phyllis Beilfus, chair- Worship & Music  
 Clyde Harkrader, vice chair- Worship & Music  
 Steve Hubbard, co-chair- Budget & Finance  
 Bob Lockridge, chair- Care & Nurture  
 Shirley Morris, vice chair- Fellowship

**Church Directory**

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
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**Staff**

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Nancy Dawson  
 Email: nancy@qmpc.org

Director of Congregational Ministries	Organist / Adult Choir Director	Rose Peak
Pam Claterbaugh	Children's Choir Director	Helen Ford
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Director of CE and Youth	Treasurer	Sara Curtis
Julie Dyke	Bookkeeper	Mary Woerner
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**Christmas Eve Services at 5 and 11 p.m.**

We will have two services to celebrate Christmas Eve. Our early service at 5 pm will be a Family Christmas Service with communion and candlelight. At 11 pm we will have our traditional Christmas Eve service also with communion and candlelight. Please join us for one or both of these special services.

**Church Office Closed**

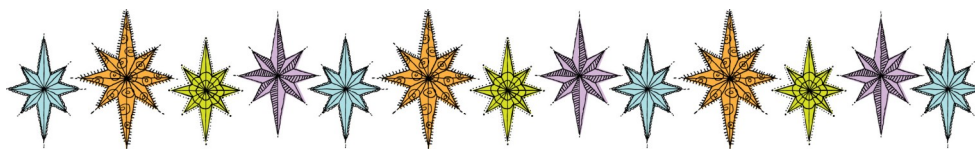
The office will be closed Tuesday, December 24– Wednesday, December 25. Also, Nancy will be out of town December 29- January 12. If you have a church family emergency, please contact the church office, 239-2548, or Maureen Lockridge, chair of the Care & Nurture Committee (941-2684).

**Advent Devotions**

Weekly devotionals for the Advent season are on the table in the Narthex for those who wish to enrich their faith this season.

**Searching for Talent!**

QMPC 2nd Annual Talent show is January 10! Come share your talent with us. All proceeds go to the 2020 Haiti Mission trip. Email qmpcmissions@gmail.com or office@qmpc.org to sign up!



**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of grace, you sent your son as the greatest sign of love, yet we look for love in the trappings of this world. You promise joy and peace and hope, but we focus instead on our worries and cares. Help us to sense anew that you are God with us. Empower us to keep the real focus of our life on you all year long. AMEN

*(Please take a moment of silence for personal confession and reflection.)*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN Lisa Cawthorne  
(Children age 4 through grade 2 leave for Children's Worship Time)

**DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD**

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 1:18-25 pew Bible, page 1  
Lector

ANTHEM Night of Silence arr. Kantor  
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 1:1-7 pew Bible, page 184

SERMON You Are Who You Are Nancy Dawson

SPECIAL MUSIC: Joseph's Song Michael Card  
Soloists- Noah DeCarmo & Wyatt Moore

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** 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 #146 Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal, page 35  
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 Stableboy, What's Inside The Manger? Moore  
Soloist-Hattie Elder

**\*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**

Our lives abound with signs of your matchless love, O God. Our days are full because of your mercy. As those who long ago journeyed to Bethlehem and felt great joy at what had occurred, so also we come before you, praising your name for what you have made known to us. Accept these gifts and use them that all may know of your gift of forgiveness and eternal life. AMEN

**\*HYMN #140** Once in Royal David's City

**DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Hymn# 88  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

**\*POSTLUDE** Angels, From the Realms of Glory arr. Ellson

\*Please stand if able.

*"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect."* Romans 12:2

**Welcome to Worship at Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church!**

*Our faith community extends a warm welcome to visitors 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.*

*Visitors are invited to take a visitor gift bag (available in the narthex).*

**OUR GREETERS** this morning are Jill Wood & Lilly Wood.

**OUR USHERS** for the month are Steve Bryan (head usher), Lisa Cawthorne, Larry Epperson and Janet LaPrade.

**OUR ACOLYTES** this morning are Allie & Lilly Wood.

**OUR NURSERY HELPER** this morning is Amanda Epperson.

**OUR CHILDREN'S WORSHIP LEADERS** this morning are Nicole Plucker & Michelle Lee.

**OUR LECTOR** this morning is Andrea Webb.

**OUR LITURGIST** this morning is Pam Claterbaugh.

**OUR ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTERS** today are from Young at Heart; Evelyn Glass and Jack & Ginny Kerr.

**THE POINSETTIAS** in the sanctuary this Advent season are given to the glory of God by members and friends of the church in memory and in honor of their loved ones.

**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.

**WELCOME PADS** are located in each pew. Each person is requested to sign this pad and provide the appropriate information. Pass the pad to your neighbor and return it to its original position, so that everyone may learn the names of all on your pew.

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

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BULLETINS** are available from the ushers.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to turn off or silence your cell phone prior to the beginning of worship services.