# \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Collaborative, Creator God, you call us to join in your work of love in the world, and you equip us with all we need to follow your lead. You have shown us how to be generous, loving, and merciful. As we return to you these offerings of our lives may they show your mercy to all people and proclaim all that you have done for us. Guide us in your unending love as we offer our whole selves to the service of your Kingdom. Amen.

HYMN #265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

# DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

Great Is The Lord

arr. Doran

\*Please stand if able.

# THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

# Sunday, January 28

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Packing Meals for Rise Against Hunger

4:00 p.m. Youth Choir

5:15 p.m. Youth Fellowship

# Monday, January 29

3:30 p.m. Earth Care Team Zoom meeting

5:45 p.m. STAR Homeschool Debate Club

Tuesday, January 30

10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom

# Wednesday, January 31

STAR Homeschool Group in building

11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

5:30 p.m. Endowment Committee meeting

6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home

# Thursday, February 1

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice

# Friday, February 2

2:00 p.m. Cemetery/Columbarium Committee Meeting

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Edgar and Virginia Pickrel, by Brenda & Michael Whorley and Don & Lorene Pickrel.

OUR USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY are Peggy Deyerle, Jane Reynolds, Anders Sunwall, & Joan Woodroof,

**OUR ACOLYTE TODAY** is Grace Jacob.

ELDERS ON DUTY FOR JANUARY are Sam Miller & Anders Sunwall.

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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# Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



Welcome to Worship at Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church!

# 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 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany January 28, 2024

WELCOME
ANNOUNCEMENTS
Steve Hubbard
MINUTE FOR MISSION
Nadege Haney
\*PASSING OF THE PEACE
Steve Hubbard
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 Be Thou My Vision

# DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

L: Praise the LORD!

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

- P: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- L: Great are the works of the LORD,
- P: studied by all who delight in them.
- L: Full of honor and majesty is his work,
- P: and God's righteousness endures forever.
- L: The LORD has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
- P: the LORD is gracious and merciful.
- L: He provides food for those who fear him;
- P: he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- L: God has shown his people the power of his works,
- P: in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- L: The works of God's hands are faithful and just;
- P: all his precepts are trustworthy.
- L: They are established forever and ever
- P: to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.
- L: He sent redemption to his people;
- P: God has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.
- L: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
- P: all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

# PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Josie Miller, Liturgist

Almighty and Amazing God, we come before you in awe and wonder that you have made another day. You have made the heavens and the earth and the vast universe that surrounds us, and you made each of us in your image. We can't begin to imagine the depth and breadth of all that you have done for us and for the universe. We come to bring our praise, our prayers, our hearts, and our gratitude for your love in this time of worship. Amen.

\*HYMN #802 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

arr. Broughton

Josie Miller, Liturgist

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We often wish that we could take back hurtful words...failures to be kind...oversights and petty grievances. We fail all too often in loving our neighbor as ourselves, but we are assured that even in our failures and forgetfulness, God still loves us, still forgives us and grants us mercy. Let us pray together:

# \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Josie Miller, Liturgist

God of Mercy and Love, we confess that we have failed to show mercy, failed to extend kindness and compassion. We forget over and over again to love our neighbor as ourselves. Forgive us of our failures. Remind us of how you have shown us love and mercy in every moment of our lives and call us back to your ways. Challenge us to do the right thing, even when it is hard. Remind us that every failure is an opportunity to do better next time. We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to practice loving-kindness everyday. Amen.

# \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Josie Miller, Liturgist

God did not send Christ into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. God doesn't use our mistakes and shortcomings to condemn, but as lessons on how to do better. God doesn't keep a list of our wrongdoings...God picks us up, dusts us off, hugs us and reminds us that we have the capacity to do the right thing.

God loves us...God forgives us, may we learn this and do better so that we might heal the world. Amen!

CHORAL RESPONSE Rejoice the Lord is King! (Verse 1)

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

# TIME WITH CHILDREN

Steve Hubbard

# DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Bible, page 218

Mueller

ANTHEM

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Josie Miller. Lector

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Bible, page 208

SERMON

Love Trumps Knowledge

Steve Hubbard

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' 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,

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 #449

Show Us Your Steadfast Love

# 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
\*DOXOLOGY

Thou Art Worthy

arr. Doran

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.