

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, July 12

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

Monday, July 13

9:00 a.m. to noon Music & Arts Camp

Tuesday, July 14

8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance
9:00 a.m. Online Bible Study
9:00 a.m. to noon Music & Arts Camp
10:00 a.m. Communion at The Summit
6:00 p.m. Communion at Bentley Commons

Wednesday, July 15

9:00 a.m. to noon Music & Arts Camp
11:30 a.m. Centering Prayer
11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch at Harbor Inn
5:30 p.m. Endowment Committee
6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home

Thursday, July 16

3:00 p.m. Communion at Willow Ridge

Friday, July 17

8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance

Saturday, July 18

9:00 a.m. to noon Worker Bees

Sign up now for Montreat Prayer Partners

The bags and a sign up sheet are now available in the Narthex. Fill the bag with little gifts and an encouraging note and prayer for the youth and adults going to Montreat later this month.

Music & Arts Camp

Our 4th Annual Music & Arts Camp for children will be running this week, Monday through Thursday morning. We will have opportunities for children to sing, play instruments, create artistic masterpieces, dance and play.

Communion Opportunities this Week

Please consider joining Richard at one of the Communion services this week. The residents of The Summit, Bentley Commons and Willow Ridge enjoy the fellowship of our church members.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR THE MONTH OF JULY are Josie & Sam Miller.

OUR USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY are Glenn Flint, Liz Huband, Josie Miller & Nicole Plucker.

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Ella 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.

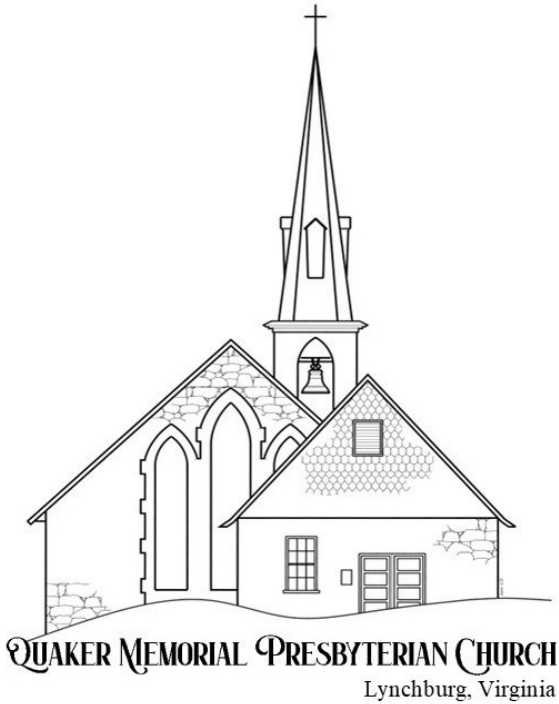
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WELCOMING ALL
SERVING CHRIST
TRANSFORMING LIVES

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
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 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 *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight* arr. Scott

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD
*CALL TO WORSHIP Michelle Lee, Liturgist
God sows abundant seeds in confidence that there will be a harvest.
Some seeds find no roots, others are snatched away by troubles.
We do not have control of how God’s seeds will grow.
But with eager hearts we wait to see the growth of planted love.
Let us worship God together.

*OPENING PRAYER Michelle Lee, Liturgist
By your parables we are taught, O God, and so by your parables we are expanded. As seed scattered, seeking soil and root-space to prosper, you send your word. May the seeds of your word scattered among us this morning fall on fertile soil. May they take root in our hearts and lives and produce an abundant harvest of good words and deeds. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #36 *The Fruit of All Creation*

*CALL TO CONFESSION Michelle Lee, Liturgist
We are reminded daily, that we stray from the path shown to us by our Savior. We see daily that our hearts need the steadfast love of the Divine Gardner. We know that our lives need the tending that only our Loving God can give us. May we come gathered as a community of the faithful to confess our wanderings and our longings:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Michelle Lee, Liturgist
Almighty God, you have set before us the path but we have wandered on our own to try to find our way. Like toddlers testing boundaries we ignore your call until fear finally makes us look back. Like rebellious youth we demand to be cut lose and set free, not knowing how much we still need your wisdom and guidance. We think we can be independent of you...but we end up stumbling and straying far away. Remind us, gentle God that we are always your children. We are never fully grown in your sight. We always have much to learn. We still need your guiding hand. Help us to seek your wisdom and guidance everyday and help us return to the path and walk with you. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Michelle Lee, Liturgist
Friends, our God of the Harvest tends us with steadfast love, unending mercy, and eternal faithfulness. In Christ, this faithful love is planted in our hearts. May we forgive as we have been forgiven.
With the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we can now produce mercy for each other as we are loved. Thanks be to God! Amen!

*CHORAL RESPONSE #441
Hear the Good News of Salvation (vs. 1)

Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God’s love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.

TIME WITH CHILDREN Richard Goodman

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD
SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 25:19-34 Bible, page 26
Michelle Lee, Lector

ANTHEM *How Great Thou Art* arr. Doran
Gerald Doyle, vocalist

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 13:1-23 Bible, page 16

SERMON Fertile Ground Anghaarad Teague Dees

*HYMN #719 *Come, Labor On*

*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 *Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. Allred
*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)
God of the Harvest, you feed us, equip us, prune us, and provide for us. May the abundance you have given us be returned to you with the gratitude of our hearts. May these offerings brought this day be used as seeds, planted faithfully and nurtured lovingly so that your way may be realized anew in this world. We ask you to bless our gifts that they may grow to make sure there is enough for all. Amen.

*HYMN #451 *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION
*POSTLUDE *Fantasia on “Duke Street”* arr. Paxton

*Please stand if able.