

# 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;

4th Sunday after Pentecost; June 28, 2020

Our vocalists today are Jim Glass & Gail Midkiff.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given to the glory of God.

CHIMING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME

Rev. Nancy Dawson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nancy Dawson

PASSING OF THE PEACE

As you are seated, the right side of the sanctuary will turn to the left side of the sanctuary and share the ancient words of the church: *"the peace of Christ be with you "*

Then the left side of the sanctuary will turn while seated and respond: *"And also with you."*

PRELUDE

*Meditation on "Tis So Sweet"*

arr. Davis

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 9:11, 14)

Clyde Harkrader, Liturgist

L: Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells among us,

P: **We will declare his deeds among the people**

L: The Lord is the One who lifts us up

P: **We rejoice in the deliverance of God.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who gives us birth by water and Holy Spirit, teach us how to live always in integrity of body, mind, and spirit, in obedience to your love, in the name of Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

## HYMN #263

## *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

All hail the power of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown him Lord of all!  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,  
ye ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all!  
Hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe  
on this terrestrial ball  
to him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all!  
To him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng  
we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song,  
and crown him Lord of all!  
We'll join the everlasting song,  
and crown him Lord of all!

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Clyde Harkrader, Liturgist

How costly is our broken relationship with God! The price of sin is a spiritless life, which is no life at all. Where are joy, peace, or lasting love to be found, except in the One who creates peace and joy, who sent Jesus Christ, the beloved Son, to save us from our sin? Let us confess, repent, and trust God to forgive us our sin.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God you know our hidden thoughts and deeds. You judge us in our disobedience and lack of faith. We fail to trust you and your promises and believe our ways are better than yours. Our sins not only injure ourselves, but also hurt other people. Forgive us, O God and lead us in your will and way. AMEN

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

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God, whose name is I AM, provides for our weakness. Jesus Christ, I AM in the body, gave himself for our salvation. All who are united to Christ in his death are united to Christ in his resurrection. The end is eternal life. I declare to you, in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven.

## HYMN#624

## *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art (vs. 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.

## DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 22:1-14

Olivia Webb, Lector

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.'

So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill\* his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.'

## ANTHEM

*Wonderful Words Of Life*

Bliss

## SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 6:12-23

Nancy Dawson

Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## SERMON

When God Asks the Impossible

Nancy Dawson

## 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.

## HYMN #494

### *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

1 Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts,  
thou fount of life, thou light of all,  
from the best bliss that earth imparts  
we turn, unfilled, to heed thy call.

2 Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;  
thou savest those that on thee call;  
to them that seek thee thou art good,  
to them that find thee, all in all.

3 We taste thee, O thou living bread,  
and long to feast upon thee still;

we drink of thee, the fountainhead,  
and thirst our souls from thee to fill.

4 Our restless spirits yearn for thee,  
where'er our changeful lot is cast,  
glad when thy gracious smile we see,  
blest when our faith can hold thee fast.

5 O Jesus, ever with us stay;  
make all our moments calm and bright.

O chase the night of sin away;  
shed o'er the world thy holy light.

## 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 OF THE OFFERING (UNISON)

Voice in the wilderness, Lamb upon the tree, Wind carrying the Word of salvation to the world— you who are the One in Three, thank you for calling us by name, for providing for our needs, for freeing us to live in union with Christ. We offer to you what you have given to us in joy with love for the common good. Bless gifts, givers, and receivers so that we can give you our richest praise in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

## HYMN #724

### *O Jesus, I Have Promised*

1 O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
be thou forever near me,  
my Master and my friend;  
I shall not fear the battle  
if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway  
if thou wilt be my guide.

2 O let me feel thee near me!  
The world is ever near:  
I see the sights that dazzle;

the tempting sounds I hear.  
My foes are ever near me,  
around me and within;  
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer  
and shield my soul from sin.

3 O let me hear thee speaking  
in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion,  
the murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to reassure me,  
to hasten or control;

O speak, and make me listen,  
thou guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, thou hast promised  
to all who follow thee  
that where thou art in glory  
there shall thy servant be.  
And, Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow,  
my Master and my friend.

## BENEDICTION

Nancy Dawson

## POSTLUDE

*Praise Him! Praise Him!*

arr. Turner