

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, March 22

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt Organizational Meeting

Monday, March 23

10:00 a.m. to noon Coffee with Pastor at The Bagel & I

Wednesday, March 25

11:30 a.m. Centering Prayer
6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home
6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

Thursday, March 26

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Saturday, March 28

9:00 a.m. to noon Garden Planting Day

Garden Planting Day

It's that time again! This Saturday, the garden team will be planting 60 cabbage and 30 collard plants. All are invited to come help us as we begin this year's garden. Donuts and Coffee will be provided.

Easter Egg Hunt

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is coming up on Saturday, April 4 at 10am. We need volunteers to help make the hunt successful. If interested, please come to the organizational meeting today following worship. We also need donations of snacks (sliced seedless grapes, sliced strawberries, orange slices, cookies, cupcakes, muffins, cheese cubes, string cheese) and prizes (individually wrapped candy, coloring books, crayons, puzzles or games, small toys, stuffed animal or dolls, Easter themed items, children's book). There is a basket outside of the office for prize donations and a sign up on the Narthex table if you want to attend and bring a snack.

Maundy Thursday Service on April 2, 5:30pm

Sign up today to reserve a seat at the table for our Maundy Thursday service in the fellowship hall. This service includes a light meal followed by the celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The Discipleship Committee is looking for volunteers to prepare a chicken casserole for this dinner. Please let Josie Miller or Raye Reynolds know if you are willing to help.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH are Gracie Lanier & Amanda Stanbery

OUR USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 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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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.



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The Service for the Lord's Day
Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 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 *Spirit of the Living God* Iverson

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Matt DeWever, Liturgist
Come out! Jesus commands,
And calls us from the tombs of our existence into the brightness of a new day.
Come out! Jesus cries,
And unbinds us from the chains of our past.
Come out! Jesus calls,
And entices us into a world filled with grace and possibility.
Come out! The Spirit is waiting.
Come let us worship and celebrate the gift of God's new life for our weary souls!

*OPENING PRAYER Matt DeWever, Liturgist
Lord of Love, as we gather to worship this day, we come bound up with the worries of our lives. Unbind us and set us free: liberate us from sadness and worry and the burdens that are too heavy to bear. Unbind us and set us free: call us back to lives lived in relationship with you and in service to others. Unbind us and show us your way, inspire us to walk with you. Amen.

*HYMN #624 *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

*CALL TO CONFESSION Matt DeWever, Liturgist
We forget that Christ is with us, always. We forget that Christ weeps with all who mourn. We forget that Christ loves us beyond our understanding. Sometimes our confession is our forgetfulness more than what we have done. Let us pray:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Matt DeWever, Liturgist
Loving Lord, how often we face tragic news we cannot understand. Our hearts echo Martha and Mary at their brother's tomb, "Lord, if you had been here..."
Lord, if you had been here, our hearts would not be heavy.
Lord, if you had been here, these people would not be hungry.
Lord, if you had been here, these wars would not be ongoing.
We forget that, you O Lord have been here...are always here. Forgive us when we forget your presence and deny love's work. Remind us how tragedy and injustice break your heart and help us see you nearby. Grant us faith to trust you are truly here, with us, bringing new life we can now only imagine. Give us hope, that looking towards your resurrection, we might discover and share glimpses of that new life already coming among us in your name. Amen.

Silence

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Matt DeWever, Liturgist
Friends, hear the Good News: Seen or unseen, the Lord is with us. Bidden or unbidden, Christ is always present.
May we live assured of what we cannot see, trusting in the power who makes all things new. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE #215
What Wondrous Love Is This (v.1)

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

TIME WITH CHILDREN Anghaarad Teague Dees

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Ezekiel 37:1-14 Bible, page 987
Matt DeWever, Lector

ANTHEM *Abide With Me* arr. Archer
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING John 11:1-44 Bible, page 127

SERMON Unbinding Anghaarad Teague Dees

*HYMN #819 *Be Still, My Soul*

*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 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* arr. Held

*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)
O God, accept and bless these gifts which we offer in response to the gracious gift of your life-giving Spirit to us. May these gifts and our lives be used to flesh out your love and justice, mercy and peace as they are revealed in and through Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

*HYMN #223 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Recessional on "St. Anne"* Young

*Please stand if able.