

*HYMN #52 *When Israel Was in Egypt's Land*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Sing Praise to God* arr. Broughton

*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, March 23

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:40 a.m. Called Session Meeting
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Neighborhood Walk

Tuesday, March 25

- 9:00 a.m. Zoom Bible Study

Wednesday, March 26

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

Thursday, March 27

- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Saturday, March 29

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

Session

Class of 2025

- Steve Bryan
- Peggy Deyerle
- Steve Hubbard
- Sam Miller
- Gabe Trent

Class of 2026

- Hunter Evans
- Molly Garbee
- Tami Jacob
- Ray Paige

Class of 2027

- Kent Ford
- Gail Midkiff
- Raye Reynolds
- Thomas Sorrels
- Amanda Stanbery

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH are Hunter Evans & Kent Ford.

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

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Joy Jacob.

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
Third Sunday in Lent
March 23, 2025

WELCOME Anghaarad Teague Dees
ANNOUNCEMENTS Anghaarad Teague Dees
MINUTE FOR MISSIONS Bob Lockridge
*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 *Jesus Calls Us* arr. Broughton

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

***CALL TO WORSHIP** David Sease, Liturgist

From whirlwind and burning bush,
in still of night and in sheer silence—

God calls the faithful to sacred work.

Beckoning us to turn aside,
inviting us to stand on holy ground—.

God welcomes the faithful into sacred space.

Come, God is calling.

Let us worship the Lord!

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION** David Sease, Liturgist

We gather together to worship the God of our ancestors - the God of Abraham and Sarah, of Miriam and Moses - who hears the cries of the people and comes to their aid; who meets us on holy ground and calls us to follow; who invites us to leave our selfish ways behind; take up our cross, and discover what it means to truly live. Amen.

***HYMN #409** *God is Here!*

***CALL TO CONFESSION** David Sease, Liturgist

The blazing fire of God's presence refines us, but in mercy it does not destroy us. The Lord is showing us the way we are to go...showing us the way and yet we are not always paying attention. With contrite hearts let us confess our sin:

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** David Sease, Liturgist

Redeeming God, out of the flames of your creation, your voice calls, marking us as your own. Yet there are times when we choose to ignore your voice, and listen instead to our own needs and desires. Forgive us. You call us to go where you will show us, to leave our old ways behind; but we like our comfortable lives. Forgive us. We try to ration your abundance. We fail to share your generosity. We have ignored the needs of others, We have failed to place our feet upon your path. We have allowed worldly desires to distract us from your call. Forgive us. May your invitation to follow you draw us closer. May we find ourselves in the presence of the holy as we continue to journey through this world. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** David Sease, Liturgist

The threshold of grace is breath-taking. The God who surprises in burning bushes, still surprises us with the radical nature of grace. The God who delivered our ancestors out of slavery, never forgets us and will never desert us. Siblings, in Christ, our sins are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God! May we rejoice, for we are standing on holy ground!
Amen!**

***CHORAL RESPONSE #743**
Step by Step

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

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I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.

And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Daphne Chloe Sunwall
Daughter of Megan & Adam Sunwall
Granddaughter of Barbara & Paul Sunwall

TIME WITH CHILDREN Grace Jacob

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 12:9-21 Bible, page 197
David Sease, Lector

ANTHEM *Just As I Am* arr. Martin
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 3:1-12 Bible, page 62

SERMON Sent to Release the Captives Anghaarad Teague Dees

***HYMN #379** *We Shall Overcome*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from The 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, 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 *Abide With Me* arr. Rasley

***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, like the Israelites in the wilderness, we too have known your love, and experience your care and provision. You invite us to extend that love and care to the world around us. And so we bring all that we have and all that we are to you and dedicate them to the work of grace: freeing the captives, feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, healing the sick, and proclaiming your Good News to the broken-hearted. Continue to write your law of love on our hearts and may we follow in the example of Christ. Amen.