

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:50 a.m. Meet in Fellowship Hall for Procession of the Palms
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Children's Choir rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Choir
- 5:15p.m. Youth Fellowship

Monday, March 25

- 5:45 p.m. STAR Homeschool Debate Club

Tuesday, March 26

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom

Wednesday, March 27

- STAR Homeschool Group in building
- 11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home

Thursday, March 28

- 10:00 a.m. Comfort Table Support Group
- 12:00 p.m. Lenten Book Study
- 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Dinner & Communion

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service

Saturday, March 30

- 10:00 a.m. to noon Easter Egg Hunt

Maundy Thursday Meal & Communion

Sign up in the Narthex to attend the meal this Thursday, March 28, 6:30pm.

Tenebrae Service this Friday Evening

Join us this Friday, March 29 at 7pm for our solemn Tenebrae Good Friday Service.

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday March 30 at 10am

Invite all children in your lives to attend. We need volunteers, snacks, candy and/or small prizes. Sign up in the Narthex.

Bring Flowers Next Week

Don't forget to bring fresh flowers to church with you next week on Easter Sunday to decorate the cross outside of the church.

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

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR MARCH are Peggy Deyerle & Sam Miller.

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Grace 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!



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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

Palm Sunday

March 24, 2024

WELCOME Anghaarad Teague Dees
ANNOUNCEMENTS Anghaarad Teague Dees
MINUTE FOR MISSION Peggy Deyerle
*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."*

PROCESSIONAL: HYMN #197 *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Gerald Doyle, Liturgist
L: People of God, we have gathered to prepare for the holiest of weeks!
P: Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes!
L: Lo, the Lord comes riding lowly on a donkey!
P: Hosanna in the highest!
L: The parade has begun...come now is the time for dancing, now is the time for joy and yet the shadow of the cross looms over the zeal of the crowd.
Pause, take a deep breath. (Pause for a few seconds)
Let us hold on to the shouts of Hosanna for a moment longer, before they become cries of Crucify Him!
P: Hosanna, Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION Gerald Doyle, Liturgist
You were there for the triumphant entry...riding a donkey on a road paved with cloaks and palms. You were there to battle injustice...overturning tables. You were there with a new commandment...love one another. You were there to forgive...for all you have given grace upon grace upon grace. You were there and we know that you, Creator of Palms and Presence are here...entering our lives in unexpected ways. Thank you. You were there. You are here. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Change My Heart Oh God* Espinosa
Children's Choir

*CALL TO CONFESSION Gerald Doyle, Liturgist
The hardest part of Palm Sunday is the knowledge that the joyful parade of palms waving will soon become jeering crowds crying: Crucify! Crucify! Would we change our song if we were there...are we crowd followers? Are we worried about what others think more than what is right? Let us speak honestly to the One who loves us no matter what:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Gerald Doyle, Liturgist
Holy God, we confess that we sing your praises in one breath and curse one another in the next. We fail to follow you and live into your ways. We follow the ways of the world: We want to be part of the powerful and popular crowds. We abandon faith to chase the shiny glimmers of worldly satisfaction. Forgive us our foolishness and narrow-mindedness. Call us back into your ways of love, compassion, and hope. In the name of Jesus, who entered Jerusalem as one of us and died for us all, we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Gerald Doyle, Liturgist
The bad news is...no matter what you do or don't do, these lush, shiny, green palm leaves are going to eventually wither, dry, and turn brown. But the good news is...no matter what you do or don't do, the tireless, relentless, limitless love of God always remains, unshakably the same.
Give thanks to the Lord, we are forgiven, loved and freed...let us sing and give shouts of joy! Amen!

*CHORAL RESPONSE #441
Hear the Good News of Salvation (Verse 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 Elizabeth Plucker

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 11: 1-11 Bible, page 57
Gerald Doyle, Lector

ANTHEM *Fanfare for Palm Sunday* Davis
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 118 (selections) Bible, page 694

SERMON Pause: Procession Anghaarad Teague Dees

HYMN #196 *All Glory, Laud and Honor*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from the Brief Statement of Faith
We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

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 *The Palms* arr. Ellson
*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)
Blessed is the one who comes in your name, O Lord! With these gifts, we would follow even as you lead us into the deepest sacrifice. Take our palm branches and our lives that we now lay down in your service. May our gifts be testaments of our gratitude for all you do for us. We give you thanks, because you are good, because your faithful love lasts forever. Amen.

HYMN #215 *What Wondrous Love Is This*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION
*POSTLUDE *The Gates of Jerusalem* Paxton

*Please stand if able.