

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)**

O Lord, giver of joy and laughter, we thank you for giving us these gifts we now return to you. May we share what we have with glad hearts and joyful spirits. May we respond to your call to service with love and joy! Fashion us into an Easter people, and send us out to proclaim what we have seen and heard: Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia! Amen.

***HYMN #238** *Thine Is the Glory*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** *The Trumpet Shall Sound* arr. Hopson

***PEALING OF THE BELLS**

***Please stand if able.**

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, April 1

Church Office Closed

5:45 p.m. STAR Homeschool Debate Club

Tuesday, April 2

10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom

Wednesday, April 3

STAR Homeschool Group in building

11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home

Thursday, April 4

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

OUR GUEST INSTRUMENTALISTS TODAY ARE: Taylor Lowry-trumpet, Micah Wingfield-trumpet, Will Rapp-french horn, Gavin Torrence-trombone, Andy Helvey-tuba & Sean Kennedy-timpanist.

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 Olivia Evans.

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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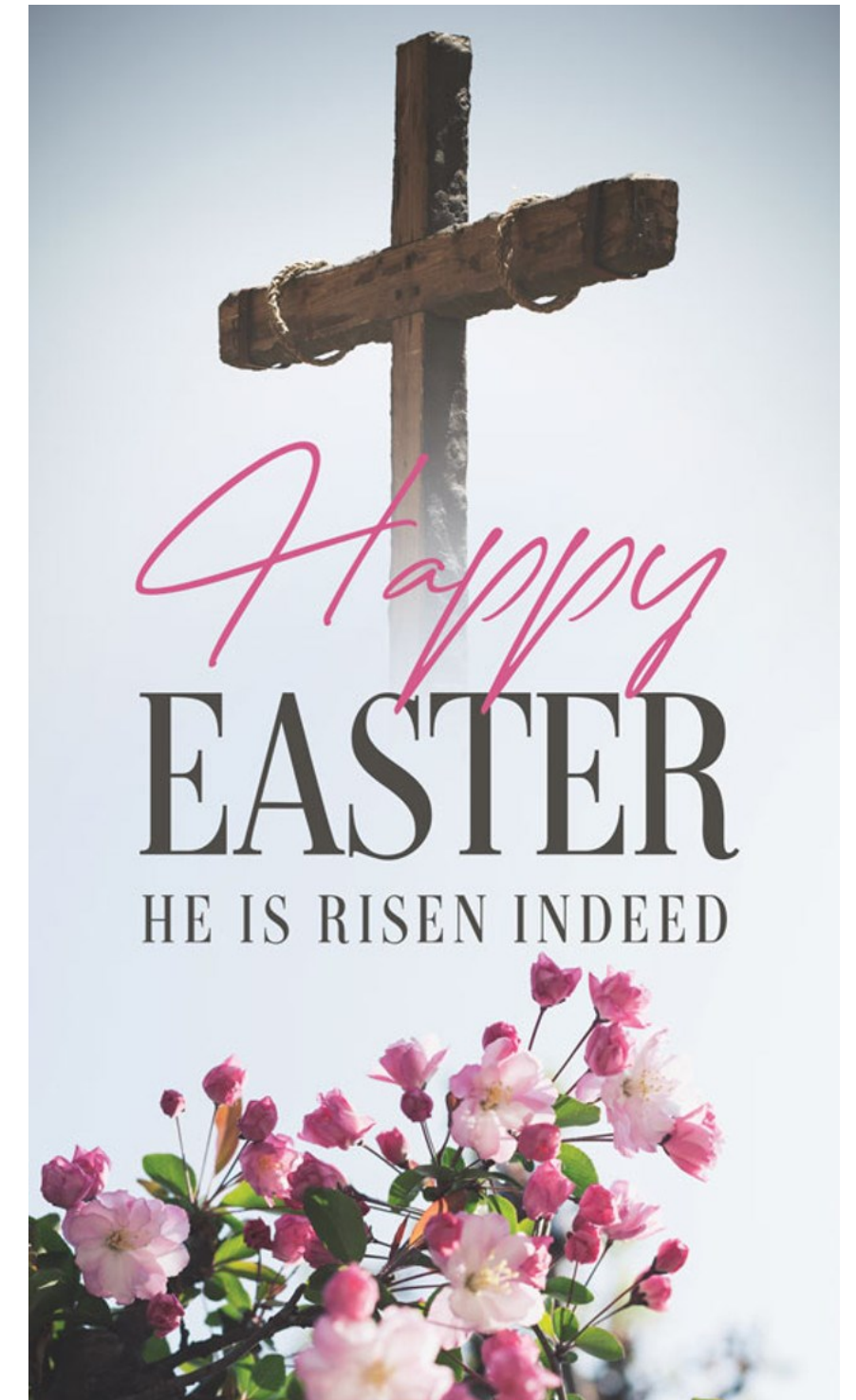
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Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



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.

The Service for the Lord's Day
Easter Sunday
March 31, 2024

EASTER PROCLAMATION

L: Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing choirs of angels!

P: **Rejoice, all creation!**

L: Jesus Christ is risen!

P: **The Lord is risen indeed!**

L: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

Anghaarad Teague Dees

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***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

Alleluia, Christ Is Risen!

Wagner

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

L: When everything was dark and it seemed that the sun would never shine again,

P: **The love of God broke through.**

L: The sparks cast by God's love spread and burst forth with resurrection light!

P: **The love of God was too strong, too wide, too deep for death to hold.**

L: We praise you for the light of new life that shone on that first Day of Resurrection.

P: **We praise you for the light of new life that continues to shine in our hearts today!**

L: Christ is Risen!

P: **Christ is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

At the dawn of a new day, as the alleluias unfold and the earth rejoices we realize that stones have rolled away and the angels are whispering the good news. Death has been conquered and the resurrected has left footprints in the dew to tell us that Christ is not here...he has gone ahead of us to show us a new beginning. We pray that the Easter light of life, hope, and joy will live in us each day; and that we will bearers of that light into the lives of others. Amen.

***HYMN #232**

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

God doesn't call us to a blind faith...but to a faith that is eye-opening and mind-expanding. Too often we find ourselves blind to the needs of the world around us...we are closed-minded and unwilling to accept those who are different. Let us open our hearts and pour out our confession at the throne of grace...

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

Loving God, we confess that we do not always see or understand your vision for creation. We confess our short-sightedness, that we have lived for this moment or the next, instead of seeing the fullness of life you desire for all people and all of creation. We confess our greed...our self-centeredness...our closed-mindedness. We allow fear to paralyze us and we don't trust your invitation to embrace this new life. Forgive our reluctance to share the good news and inspire us to go and be and tell and do your good news.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

Sisters and brothers, Christ has forgiven our sins. Christ calls us to new life. Christ will lead us into righteousness.

May Christ shine in us! Alleluia! Praise be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

***CHORAL RESPONSE #240**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Skip Wodke

SPECIAL MUSIC

Look Up Child

Daigle

Youth Choir

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 16: 1-8

Bible, page 66

Peggy Deyerle, Lector

ANTHEM

Christians, Celebrate and Sing!

Larsen

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 19

Bible, page 613

SERMON

Pause: Good News Anghaarad Teague Dees

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast; that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end: he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***HYMN #248**

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you

And also with you

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & SHARING OF THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER ALL ARE SERVED

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Salvation Is Created

arr. Giardiniere

***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.