THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, March 19

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Session

3:00 p.m. Handbells

5:45 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, March 20

10:00 a.m. Coffee with your Pastor at Starbucks (20186 Timberlake Road)

Tuesday, March 21

10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom

Wednesday, March 22

STAR Homeschool Group meets downstairs

11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

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

6:00 p.m. Creative Spirit Night

Thursday, March 23

12:00 p.m. Lenten Book Study

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, March 25

10:00 a.m. Garden Planting (rain date)

Prayer Stations

Each week during Lent a new prayer prompt will be placed in the Narthex. Be sure to stop by and allow these visual prompts to deepen your Lenten journey.

Lenten Invitation

As a part of the Lenten Season this year, everyone will be invited to join one of our hosts for a meal and discussion on what it means to be the church whose beginnings began at the table. We have one opportunity left to eat a meal, fellowship with church family and reflect on the many ways Jesus invites us into community.

Floors being cleaned this week

This Tuesday, March 21 beginning at 2pm, the cleaning crew will be here to strip & wax the floors in the kitchen and hallway in front of the restrooms and pastor's offices. We are asking folks to stay out of these areas that afternoon and evening. The floors will be dry on Wednesday morning.

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

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Joy Jacob.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR MARCH are Janet LaPrade & Jane Reynolds.

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.

ONLINE GIVING now available! Scan this QR code or click the "Give Now" button on the front page of our website to go directly to our giving page.





QMPC Staff

Pastor: Rev. Anghaarad Teague Dees

Email: anghaarad@qmpc.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Phone: 239-2548 Fax: 239-6071 e-mail: office@gmpc.org; www.gmpc.org

Sara Curtis

Parish Associate Richard Goodman
Office Administrator Deborah Ashworth
Bookkeeper Sheryl Kesselring

Treasurer

Organist / Adult Choir Director Rose Peak
Youth Choir Director Casey Wood
Children's Choir Director Savannah Sorrels

Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



Welcoming All Serving Christ Transforming Lives

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.

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 Fourth Sunday in Lent March 19, 2023

WELCOME Anghaarad Teague Dees Anghaarad Teague Dees **ANNOUNCEMENTS** *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 Just As I Am arr. Ellson

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP David Sease. Liturgist

- L: God, you are the One in whom we take our refuge.
- P: Open our eyes to see you at work in this world.
- L: You call us to be your light in the darkness, your voice in the wilderness, your hope for the hopeless.
- P: May we boldly proclaim that you are at work in this world and at work in
- L: Let us worship God together.

OPENING PRAYER David Sease, Liturgist Jesus, shine your light in us today. Open our hearts and minds to your presence in our midst. Fill us with the light of your truth and may our worship be a reminder that you are with us...we are in your care...we are loved by you...we

*HYMN #451 Open My Eyes, That I May See

are healed by you...we are redeemed by you. Amen.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

David Sease. Liturgist

We seek to be led on the path of righteous and sometimes we just wander away like wayward sheep from a faithful shepherd. Let us come with hearts open to the throne of grace and confess the ways in which we stray from our Creator and Sustainer.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Lord is our shepherd, we shall not want. But, O Lord, we are consumed with wanting more. We want all the stuff. We want everything to be easy. We want to be free of responsibility. There is too much pain, injustice, sorrow, oppression...nothing we do seems to make a difference. We are discouraged, distraught and we allow the needs of the world to overwhelm us. We long for greener pastures and still waters but we are consumed by our worries and fear. Beloved God, don't give up on us. Remind us that there is nothing in all of creation that will separate us from your love. Push us to keep

speaking up and showing up and loving one another. In the name of the Great Shepherd we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

David Sease. Liturgist

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives. May we know that we dwell in the bosom of God's love and that there is no place we can hide or no place where we will be lost. There is nothing we can do or say or fail to do that will take us from God's love.

We are forgiven. We are free. We are loved. Thanks be to God. Amen!

CHORAL RESPONSE #581 Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Skip Wodke

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 23 Bible, page 617

David Sease. Lector

ANTHEM Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy arr. Turner

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING John 9:1-41 Bible, page 125

SERMON An Invitation: To Healing Anghaarad Teague Dees

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A 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.

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We Cannot Measure How You Heal HYMN #797

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 Lord Is My Shepherd

*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

Faithful and Generous God, we share that which we are able, knowing that it is just a small portion of all that we have received. We pray that these offerings will be used to further your Kingdom. We thank you for the opportunity to share our gifts and we ask that you would inspire us to be ever more generous, as you are abundantly generous to us. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN #803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Guide Me. O Thou Great Jehovah

arr. Mansfield

arr. Ellson

^{*}Please stand if able.