

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, March 26

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Youth Downtown Art Walk
- 3:00 p.m. Handbells

Tuesday, March 28

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom
- 3:30 p.m. Missions Committee meeting

Wednesday, March 29

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

Thursday, March 30

- 12:00 p.m. Lenten Book Study
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

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.

NO Creative Spirit Night for the Next Two Weeks

There will be no Creative Spirit Night gathering for the next two weeks. We will resume following Easter Sunday on April 12.

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday April 8 at 10am

We need lots of volunteers and candy. Please sign up today to volunteer and drop off candy donations before April 7.

Palm Sunday . . .

is next week. All who wish to process with the palms (any age!) are asked to gather in the Fellowship Hall at 9:50 am for line up.

Maundy Thursday Service

Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan on attending this service at 6:30 pm, April 6. We will be serving communion and want to make sure we have plenty.

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

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Olivia Evans.

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.



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.



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The Service for the Lord's Day
Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 26, 2023

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

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

L: God, we cry out to you from the valleys of our lives.

P: Hear our pleas, listen to our cries, hear our voice, O God.

L: Lord, we wait, and we wait, and we wait.

P: Divine one, our souls wait for you, for our hope is in your word.

L: Hope is the Lord, you people of God,

P: For God's love for us is unbreakable!

Living in the way, the truth, and the life of Christ Jesus.

L: Let us worship God together

OPENING PRAYER Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

Seen or unseen, God is with us. Bidden or unbidden, Christ is present. Felt in the faintest whisper or roaring like a mighty wind, the Holy Spirit is with us. Grant us faith to trust that God is truly here, with us, weeping with us, bringing new life, loving us even when our hearts are heavy. Amen.

*HYMN #306 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

*CALL TO CONFESSION Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

When we come to God with our confessions we are liberated from all that binds us. So we come with hearts open, asking God to unbind us as we pray together.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus, you wept when Mary wept for the death of her brother. You grieved when your friend Lazarus died. You cared for Simon's mother-in-law when she was sick. You know our hearts and our bodies so well because you live our lives. Call us to have compassion for ourselves and seek the care we need. Restore our hearts and minds and bodies so that we might care for one another's needs. Help us to be gentle with our souls, as we share in the work of caring for each other and meeting the needs of those around us. We confess that we are not always good at self-care, so guide us Loving One to care not just for others but for ourselves and for the least among us. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Peggy Deyerle, Liturgist

We know Jesus' love for us...when we mourn, we are comforted; when we give, we receive; when we feel despair, we are prayed for. We are never alone for there is nothing that can separate us from God's love in Jesus Christ and we are here for one another. When we love and care for one another, Christ's love grows in us.

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 Steve Hubbard

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

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

Peggy Deyerle, Lector

ANTHEM *Beautiful Savior* arr. Manookin

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING John 11:1-45 Bible, page 127

SERMON An Invitation: To Grieve 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.

HYMN #785 *In Deepest Night*

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 *Face to Face* arr. Kendall

*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

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, your Son and our Savior. Amen

HYMN #223 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Praise God in His Holy Temple* Scott

*Please stand if able.