

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, May 17

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Session

Monday, May 18

- 4:30 p.m.-QMPC-LMS-UL Task Force meeting

Wednesday, May 20

- 11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home

Thursday, May 21

- Presbytery meeting at Blacksburg Presbyterian
- 3:00 p.m. Communion at Willow Ridge
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Adopt-A-Garden!

The Property Committee invites individuals, families, and groups to help care for our church grounds by adopting a garden area. This is a great way to serve together while easing the workload of the small group who have faithfully maintained our campus for many years. We have about 20 garden spaces, large and small, available to choose from. A map and sign-up sheet will be located in the Narthex. What does it mean to Adopt-a-Garden? You'll help keep your selected area looking its best by: weeding, watering as needed, trimming and tidying, assisting with annual mulch spreading (typically each May). Join us in keeping Quaker Memorial beautiful year-round! Contact Larry Epperson, chair of the Property Committee or the office, if you are interested.

Birthday Boxes

We are currently collecting donations and shoe boxes (plastic with tops or cardboard without hinged tops) for Meals on Wheels Birthday Boxes. There are postcards available on the narthex table with a shopping list of suggested item for these boxes.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given to the glory of God by Fran & Kent Ford in loving memory of Buck Ford.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY are Zane Dees & Hunter Evans.

OUR USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY are Peggy Deyerle, Cathy Jones, Anders Sunwall & Joan Woodroof.

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Harper Stanbery.

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.



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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
Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2026

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 *Be Thou My Vision* arr. Broughton

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Steve Hubbard, Liturgist
A new day has begun.

Hope wins!

A fresh start is granted.

Faith wins!

Today you have the opportunity to do something new.

Hope wins!

Christ is entering your life in a new way.

Faith wins!

Christ is inviting us into a way of life that transcends death.

Love wins!

Come, lift up your eyes and your hearts and let us worship together!

Let us worship Christ, who overcame death to give us new life!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION Steve Hubbard, Liturgist
Ever-rising God, lift our eyes to see you in our worship this day. Lift our eyes and our hearts to you as we hear your Word, offer our prayers, and sing your praises. Lift our eyes that we might see the needs of the world and follow in your way through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #93 *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*

*CALL TO CONFESSION Steve Hubbard, Liturgist
We come to confess our sins of word and deed...of silence and apathy...of fear and selfishness. We come trusting in God, who offered us hope and healing, as we pray together, saying:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Steve Hubbard, Liturgist
Merciful God, you call us to proclaim a gospel we find difficult to practice. We confess that we often abandon the mission you have given us in order to make our lives easier and more comfortable. We have squandered time and wasted our gifts to fulfill selfish motives, separating us from one another. Like the disciples, we look to the sky for Jesus, instead of in the faces of the least of these among us. Forgive the poverty of our efforts and the frailty of our faith. Open wide our hearts and minds to the immanent presence of our Risen, Living and Ascended Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Steve Hubbard, Liturgist
Choosing to set aside judgment, God gives us justice. Choosing to let go of punishment, God fills us with peace. Choosing to release anger, God's steadfast love rests upon us.
Forgiven, redeemed, restored - we will tell everyone, through the lives we lead, what God has done for us. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE #14
For the Beauty of the Earth (v.5)

For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given;
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

TIME WITH CHILDREN Amanda Stanbery

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 1:6-14 Bible, page 143
Steve Hubbard, Lector

ANTHEM *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* arr. Mulholland
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING John 17:1-11 Bible, page 136

SERMON Final Words Anghaarad Teague Dees

*HYMN #362 *Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostle's 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 *Blessed Assurance* arr. Douglas
*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)

Lord, you have appointed us to be your witnesses on our block, in our neighborhood, and to the ends of the earth. Fill these gifts with the power of your Holy Spirit, and make them a blessing to your people always, everywhere and right now. Open the way for your love and mercy to enter our hearts, our lives, and our world. Make your home in our lives and shine your glory through us. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*HYMN #275 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* arr. Smith

*Please stand if able.