

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.*

Welcoming All, Serving Christ, Transforming Lives

The Service for the Lord's Day;
25th Sunday after Pentecost; November 14, 2021

Our Vocalist is Gerald Doyle.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Margie Lockridge by Amy Charbonneau, Sara Powers, Robert Lockridge and Bob Lockridge.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*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

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

arr. Scott

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Skip Wodke, Liturgist

L: Our God is strong, like a rock.

P: We come to worship the God of justice and joy.

L: Our God cares for the ones the world forgets.

P: We come to worship the God of justice and joy.

L: Our God is the one who gives life, and who guards the future.

P: We come to worship the God of justice and joy.

L: Come, let us worship God.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Skip Wodke, Liturgist

There is no holy One, or no rock like our God who causes my heart to rejoice and my strength to increase, For the Lord is a God of knowledge, who judges our actions. Who breaks the power of the mighty, and clothes the feeble with strength, The Lord makes rich and makes poor, brings low and lifts up. We worship and praise God - judge of all the earth. Amen.

***HYMN #401**

Gather Us In

1. Here in this place the new light is streaming;
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this place our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day . . .
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;
Gather us in the blind and the lame;
call us now, and we shall awaken;
We shall arise at the sound of our name

2. We are the young our lives are a mystery,
We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
Called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;
Gather us in, the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;
Give us the courage to enter the song.

3. Here we will take the wine and the water;
here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
Call us anew to be salt and for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion;
Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish as well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4. Not in the dark of buildings confining,
Not in some heaven light years away;
Here in this place the new light is shining;
Now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
Gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in, all peoples together,
Fire of love in our flesh and bone.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Skip Wodke, Liturgist

We tend to judge ourselves too harshly and to pass judgment on our neighbors without knowing their whole story. We struggle to let go of our grievances and judgments. But our God is in the business of granting forgiveness and filling us with new life. Let us confess to the One who comes to fill us with grace:

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Skip Wodke, Liturgist

Forgive us, O God, for we are half-hearted believers. Forgive us, O God, for we are partial justice warriors. Forgive, O God, for we tire easily and we forget, and we grow weary. We declare that we love our neighbors and then we turn our backs on the marginalized. We speak for change and justice in one breath, and then continue unjust practices in our daily lives by what we consume and the needs we ignore. Forgive us, O God, we desire to become whole people—restored, renewed and forgiven for this journey of faith. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

(Please take a moment of silence for personal confession and reflection.)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Skip Wodke, Liturgist

Laying aside judgment, God offers us redemption; setting aside anger, God embraces us with love; letting go of grief, God pours living water upon us. This is the good news, my friends: God's steadfast love endures forever.
Thanks be to God.

***CHORAL RESPONSE Hymn #582**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Skip Wodke

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Hebrews 10:19-25

Skip Wodke, Lector

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

ANTHEM

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name

Hymn #510

SCRIPTURE READING

I Samuel 1:4-20

Anghaarad Dees

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. So it went on year after year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?' After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: 'O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.' As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, 'How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.' But Hannah answered, 'No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.' Then Eli answered, 'Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.' And she said, 'Let your servant find favour in your sight.' Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.'

SERMON

A Fervent Prayer

Anghaarad Dees

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:
And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also
for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again
according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.
And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN #533

In the Singing

1 In the singing, in the silence,
in the hands expectant, open,
in the blessing, in the breaking,
in the Presence at this table

Refrain:

Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ,
be the wine of grace:

Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ,
be the bread of peace.

2 In the question, in the answer,
in the moment of acceptance,
in the heart's cry, in the healing,
in the circle of your people [Refrain]

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PARTAKE OF THE ELEMENTS AS DIRECTED

DEDICATION OF STEWARDSHIP COVENANTS AND GIFTS

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)**

We long for the time when the meek shall inherit the earth and all who hunger and thirst after justice shall be satisfied, and we believe that, despite the persistence of evil, now is always the time when more good can be done and we can make a difference. May it be so, through the offering of these gifts and the offering of our lives. Amen.

***HYMN #100**

Canticle of Turning

1. My soul cries out with a joyful shout
That the God of my heart is great
And my spirit sings of the Wondrous things
That you bring to the ones who wait
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight
And my weakness you did not spurn
So from east to west shall my name be blest
Could the world be about to turn?
My heart shall sing of the day you bring
Let the fires of your justice burn
Wipe away all tears for the dawn draws near
And the world is about to turn!

2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you
Work great things in me
And your mercy will last from the Depths
Of the past to the end of the age to be
Your very name puts the proud to shame
And to those who would for you yearn
You will show your might
Put the strong to flight
For the world is about to turn
My heart shall sing of the day you bring
Let the fires of your justice burn
Wipe away all tears

For the dawn draws near
 And the world is about to turn!

3. From the halls of power to the fortress tower
 Not a stone will be left on stone
 Let the king beware for your
 Justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne
 The hungry poor shall weep no more
 For the food they can never ears
 There are tables spread, ev'ry
 Mouth be fed
 For the world is about to turn
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring
 Let the fires of your justice burn
 Wipe away all tears
 For the dawn draws near
 And the world is about to turn!

4. Though the nations rage from age to age
 We remember

Who holds us fast
 God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing
 grasp
 This saving word that out forebears
 Heard is the promise which holds us bound
 'Til the spear and rod can be
 Crushed by God
 Who is turning the world around
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring
 Let the fires of your justice burn
 Wipe away all tears
 For the dawn draws near
 And the world is about to turn!
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring
 Let the fires of your justice burn
 Wipe away all tears
 For the dawn draws near
 And the world is about to turn!

BENEDICTION

Anghaarad Dees

POSTLUDE

O Worship the King

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

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