

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;
21st Sunday after Pentecost; October 25, 2020

Our vocalist today is Helen Ford.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given by Molly & Lewis Garbee to the glory of God and honor of Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church until we can all be together again.

CHIMING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME

Amanda Stanbery

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

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As you are seated, the right side of the sanctuary will turn to the left side of the sanctuary and share the ancient words of the church: "the peace of Christ be with you "

Then the left side of the sanctuary will turn while seated and respond: "And also with you."

PRELUDE

More Love to Thee

arr. Paxton

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP from Matt. 22:37-40

Gail Midkiff, Liturgist

L: Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God

P: with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind,

L: and you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: On these two commandments hang all of the law and the prophets.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Gail Midkiff, Liturgist

God of creation, you have made us to be nourished in your care, and you test us so that we will turn again and again toward your gifts. Show us how to love our neighbors and ourselves, and teach us to delight in your law so that we will know the way of gratitude and thanksgiving. In the name of Christ Jesus, our Savior, we pray. Amen.

HYMN #305

Come Sing O Church in Joy

1 Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church in song!
For Christ the Lord had led us through the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey
now and praise the Lord!

2 Long years have come and gone,
and still God reigns supreme
Empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey
now and praise the Lord!

3 Let courage be our friend;
let wisdom be our guide,
As we in mission magnify the Crucified!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey
now and praise the Lord!

4 Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long!
In bold accord, come celebrate the journey
now and praise the Lord!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Gail Midkiff, Liturgist

Let us speak the truth about ourselves to our neighbors and to God, acknowledging what we have done and what we have left undone.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gail Midkiff, Liturgist

Your holiness, O God, commands that we confess: We have neither loved our neighbors as ourselves nor honored ourselves as your beloved creation. We have judged unjustly, regarded others ungenerously, profited at the losses of those near and distant, borne grudges, desired vengeance, and kept silence in the face of wrong-doing. We long to live in accord with your desire that your way of compassion, kindness, and honesty will govern our hearts and minds, turning us toward lives of peace. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Gail Midkiff, Liturgist

Brothers and sisters, the Holy One who promises forgiveness to those who seek the good hears your confession. As the crucified and risen child of God, your Redeemer fully knows your sorrow and your desire for reconciled relationships. You are forgiven. In that promise is the power to love your neighbors and yourselves as beloved of God who created all that exists.

Choral Response Hymn #627

I Love You, Lord

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice.
Take joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18 (*Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*)

Jim Glass, Lector

And the Lord said to Moses, Say to all the assembly of the Israelites, You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. And when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field to its very corners, neither shall you gather the fallen ears or gleanings of your harvest. And you shall not glean your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather its fallen grapes; you shall leave them for the poor and the stranger. I am the Lord your God.

You shall not steal, or deal falsely, or lie one to another. And you shall not swear by My name falsely, neither shall you profane the name of your God. I am the Lord. You shall not defraud or oppress your neighbor or rob him; the wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until morning. You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God. I am the Lord. You shall do no injustice in judging a case; you shall not be partial to the poor or show a preference for the mighty, but in righteousness *and* according to the merits of the case judge your neighbor. You shall not go up and down as a dispenser of gossip *and* scandal among your people, nor shall you endanger the life of your neighbor. I am the Lord. You shall not hate your brother in your heart; but you shall surely rebuke your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take revenge or bear any grudge against the sons of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.

ANTHEM

In the Mornin'

arr. Ives

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:34-46 (AMB)

Skip Wodke

Now when the Pharisees heard that He had silenced (muzzled) the Sadducees, they gathered together. And one of their number, a lawyer, asked Him a question to test Him. Teacher, which kind of commandment is great and important in the Law? And He replied to him, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. These two commandments sum up and upon them depend all the Law and the Prophets. Now while the Pharisees were still assembled there, Jesus asked them a question, Saying, What do you think of the Christ? Whose Son is He? They said to Him, The Son of David. He said to them, How is it then that David, under the influence of the Holy Spirit, calls Him Lord, saying, The Lord said to My Lord, Sit at My right hand until I put Your enemies under Your feet? If then David thus calls Him Lord, how is He his Son? And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day did anyone venture or dare to question Him.

SERMON

Give It To Me In a Nutshell

Skip Wodke

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

HYMN #203

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Refrain:

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love;
show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them. [Refrain]

2 Neighbors are wealthy and poor,

varied in color and race;
neighbors are near us and far away. [Refrain]
3 These are the ones we should serve;
these are the ones we should love;
all these are neighbors to us and you. [Refrain]
4 Loving puts us on our knees,
willing to wash others' feet;
this is the way we should live like you. [Refrain]

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

O Lord, giver of life and source of freedom, I know that all I have is from your hand. You call us to be stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us to use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ in our lives. Amen

HYMN #321

The Church's One Foundation

1 The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord.
She is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride.
With his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.
2 Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,

and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.
3 Though with a scornful wonder
this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up: "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.
4 Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation

of peace forevermore:
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.
5 Yet she on earth has union
with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
may live eternally.

BENEDICTION

Skip Wodke

POSTLUDE

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

arr. Ritter