

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (in unison)

Giving God, we know that you are the source of every good thing, love and light come from you. You have given us so much and now we give back to the work of your Kingdom. We dedicate these meager gifts to the work of your light and love on earth. As we dedicate these gifts, we offer ourselves too. Take and use us, may our hands reach out in service, may our feet walk the difficult path of reconciliation and may our words be words of peace. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

HYMN #769 *For Everyone Born*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him* arr. Blake

*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, October 1

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship: Communion & Two Cents a Meal offering
- 5:15 p.m. Youth Fellowship (meal by Missy Vinson-Spitzer)

Monday, October 2

- 8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance

Tuesday, October 3

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom

Wednesday, October 4

STAR Homeschool Group meets downstairs

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

Thursday, October 5

- 8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Saturday, October 7

- 9:00 a.m. Digging sweet potatoes and carrots in the garden

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given by the Lockridge family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert S. Lockridge, Sr. and Henrietta B. Lockridge.

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Joy Jacob.

OUR USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER are Susie Hubbard, Janet LaPrade, Valerie Rogers and Skip Wodke.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR OCTOBER are Bob Lockridge and Valerie Rogers.

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.

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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
World Communion Sunday
October 1, 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 *Sun of My Soul* arr. Parker

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Josie Miller, Liturgist

L: We gather from the west to the east,

P: **from the south to the north,**

L: to celebrate the God of peace

P: **who accompanies us in our acts of peace.**

L: This God of peace accompanies us

P: **in each and every circumstance around us.**

L: We praise God's name! Amen!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION Josie Miller, Liturgist

Almighty Creator, we give you thanks and praise. On this World Communion Sunday, we are reminded that you made us all in your image, all with different gifts, but the same Spirit. In all parts of the earth we have come to know you in different ways through our cultures, traditions, and teachings...but we are united in your love for us. We give thanks for your wondrous diversity that breathes in each of us. And as we share together our common humanity around the common cup, we are reminded that our common hope is found in you, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #318 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

*CALL TO CONFESSION Josie Miller, Liturgist

Faced with God's goodness we recognize our failings. In the knowledge of God's mercy, we dare to tell the truth about ourselves and our world. With the confidence of the children of God, let us confess our sin together:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Josie Miller, Liturgist

Gracious Lord, you created the whole world and called it good, but we look out at your world and see division and suffering. You call us to maintain the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace, but we choose division over diversity...confrontation over civility...conflict over peace born from justice. You call us to love the least of these among us, but we hear the cries of the oppressed and choose our own comfort. Forgive us, grant us fresh vision to see one another as sibling in Christ. Rekindle in us your gifts - the spirit of power, love and self-discipline - that with faith in Christ, we might be made new and be part of bringing forth your peaceable kingdom. Amen.

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

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Josie Miller, Liturgist

We call to mind your promises and therefore we find hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, God's mercies are new every morning.
Believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE *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.

World without end, without end. Amen.

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As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Richard Goodman

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:23-32 Bible, page 28
Josie Miller, Lector

ANTHEM *Let Us Break Bread Together* arr. Courtney
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 2: 1-13 Bible, page 240

SERMON Same Mind, Same Love Anghaarad Teague Dees

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' 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.

HYMN #515 *I Come with Joy*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you

And also with you

**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & SHARING OF THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER ALL ARE SERVED

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Heaven's Bread* Keeney

2 Cents a Meal Offering

*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.