

**THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:**

**Sunday, October 22**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Session
- 11:15 a.m. Children's Choir

**Monday, October 23**

- 8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance
- 6:00 p.m. After Hours at Bootleggers (50 13th Street)

**Tuesday, October 24**

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

**Wednesday, October 25**

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

**Thursday, October 26**

- 8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance
- 10:00 a.m. Comfort Table Support Group
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

**After Hours This Week!**

Join Anghaarad for a beverage and conversation tomorrow evening, 6:00 pm at Bootleggers (50 13th Street, downtown).

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** this Sunday are given by Molly & Lewis Garbee in glory of God and in loving memory of their parents: Catherine & Alex Haskins and Julia & Clyde Garbee.

**OUR ACOLYTE TODAY** is Allie Wood.

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

**OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR OCTOBER** are Gracie Lanier, 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.



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## Session

**Class of 2023**

- Sharon Barringer
- Gracie Lanier
- Janet LaPrade
- Liz Huband
- Jane Reynolds

**Class of 2024**

- Jim Glass
- Bob Lockridge
- Valerie Rogers
- Anders Sunwall
- Skip Wodke

**Class of 2025**

- Steve Bryan
- Peggy Deyerle
- Steve Hubbard
- Sam Miller
- Elizabeth Plucker
- Gabe Trent

The Service for the Lord's Day  
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost  
October 22, 2023

WELCOME Anghaarad Teague Dees  
ANNOUNCEMENTS Anghaarad Teague Dees  
MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP Reuben Womack  
\*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 *Spirit of the Living God* Iverson

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Gerald Doyle, Liturgist  
L: We are God's church.  
P: **We come together to worship.**  
L: God has given us his Spirit.  
P: **We come together to celebrate.**  
L: God has called us to be a family of faith together.  
P: **We come together to share our lives.**  
L: We are God's church.  
P: **We come together to worship!**

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION Gerald Doyle, Liturgist  
We give you thanks, O God, for the ways that you bless our lives...for the beauty and abundance of nature, the love of family and friends, the joy of knowing you and hearing your word. Send your Spirit during this time of worship so that we might dream your dreams and see visions of the world as you created it to be. Guide our thoughts and actions. Bring us closer to you so that we might do your will and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

\*HYMN #494 *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

CALL TO CONFESSION Gerald Doyle, Liturgist  
The Lord is gracious, slow to anger and knows our needs even before they reach our lips. Still we engage in confession, admitting to God all that rests uneasily in our hearts. Confident of God's love, let us make our confession together:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we will be honest, sometimes living in this world is really hard. We lose patience with one another and are guilty of having little regard for those around us that are difficult or needy. We are often caught between the selfishness of wanting our needs met without regard for others, and wanting to be helpful and generous. Please help us. Remind us to lean on you and each other when things get hard. We need forgiveness for our sin, for our mistakes, for our pettiness, for our mistaking what the world values with what you value. Help us to see more clearly, and to care more thoroughly. In Christ we pray. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Gerald Doyle, Liturgist  
Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus free to love and serve.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! 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.  
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.

TIME WITH CHILDREN Elizabeth Plucker

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Bible, page 247  
Gerald Doyle

ANTHEM *When In Our Music God is Glorified* arr. Ziegenhals  
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:42-47 Bible, page 145

SERMON Together: We Grow Anghaarad Teague Dees

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.

\*HYMN #321 *The Church's One Foundation*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from the Confession of 1967

With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

OFFERTORY *I Love to Tell the Story* arr. Warriner

\*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 are the giver of every good gift. Accept these offerings we pray, that through them we may do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with you, our Sovereign and our God. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

\*HYMN #761 *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE *Go Forth in Faith* arr. Ritter

\*Please stand if able.