

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, September 17

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, September 18

8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance

Tuesday, September 19

10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom

Wednesday, September 20

STAR Homeschool Group meets downstairs

11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch at O'Charley's

6:00 p.m. Prayer for Church Family at Home

6:00 p.m. Stewardship meeting

Thursday, September 21

8:00 a.m. Garden maintenance

3:00 p.m. Communion at Valley View

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Saturday, September 23

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Birthday Party for Anghaarad

Lunch Bunch

This month the Lunch Bunch will head to O'Charley's on Wards Road. Join us this Wednesday, September 20 at 11:30 am. We will need to give a final head count to the restaurant by tomorrow so please RSVP to Sara by text or call 434-941-3349 or email her at buzzandsara@gmail.com.

Birthday Party for Anghaarad

Please join us next Saturday, September 23, to celebrate a special birthday for Pastor Anghaarad. The party is at Ivy Hill Golf Club (1148 Ivy Hill Drive, Forest) from 4 to 6pm. BBQ will be served. Please RSVP to Angie Ashman at 434-907-1229 or email her at abpower69@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

Youth Kick-Off Next Sunday, September 24

The fun will begin at 5:15 p.m. Bring your calendars and ideas. Youth, parents and leadership will build our calendar for the year together.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given in glory of God and in loving memory of Herman D. Morris, by Shirley Morris and family.

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Sarah Robert.

OUR USHERS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER are Peggy Deyerle, Jane Reynolds, Anders Sunwall, and Joan Woodroof.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR SEPTEMBER are Stanley Miller and Gracie Lanier.

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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*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
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 17, 2023

WELCOME Richard Goodman
ANNOUNCEMENTS Richard Goodman
*PASSING OF THE PEACE Richard Goodman
*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 *Andante Religioso* arr. Ellson

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Skip Wodke, Liturgist

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

P: **And all that is within me bless God's holy name.**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

P: **And do not forget all that God has done.**

L: The Lord works vindication and justice

P: **For all who are oppressed.**

L: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

P: **Slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**

L: As a parent has compassion for their children,

P: **So God has compassion for those who are in awe of the Creator.**

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION Skip Wodke, Liturgist
God of all seasons, may we take a moment to appreciate the earth, now, and how you bring all things in due season. May we give thanks for the changing of seasons when greenery slowly shifts to golds and crimsons. May we be awakened by these cooler days to see the new things you are doing all around us. May we give thanks and sing your praises, always. Amen.

*HYMN #32 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

CALL TO CONFESSION Skip Wodke, Liturgist
God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love...we are quick to judgment and abounding in short-comings. Even on our worst days, God loves us, forgives us and call us his own. With the confidence that we are loved, we come with contrite hearts to our loving God:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess we are not good at practicing mercy. We would rather cultivate anger than compassion. We would rather hold grudges than practice forgiveness. We would rather judge others than repent and turn to you. You, O God are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and yet constantly we need you to show us the way of forgiveness, grace and mercy. Continue to call us back, mend our hearts, and show us the way. We pray in the name of Christ, who lives again for us. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Skip Wodke, Liturgist

Friends, we are God's beloved children. We were formed by the Creator and filled with God's compassion and love. We all fall short and go astray, but know that God is always calling us back, ready to welcome us with open arms. There is nothing that can separate us from the love of God.

May we remember that God loves us madly. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE *Sing Glory to the Name of God (v.1)*

Sing glory to the name of God, whose holy splendor shines abroad.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Enthroned above the crashing waves, the God of grace and glory saves.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

TIME WITH CHILDREN *O Mary, Don't You Weep* Traditional
Richard Goodman

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 18:21-35 Bible, page 24
Skip Wodke, Lector

ANTHEM *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace.* Temples
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 15:1-11, 20-21 Bible, page 76

SERMON Richard Goodman

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 #65 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

*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.

OFFERTORY *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* arr. Ellson

*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)

O God, your creative presence makes the earth abundant. You provide us with what is needed, in your love. Through this offering, we participate in your work, so all your people might be dressed in pure joy, for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #475 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Acclamation of Praise* Birchwood

*Please stand if able.