

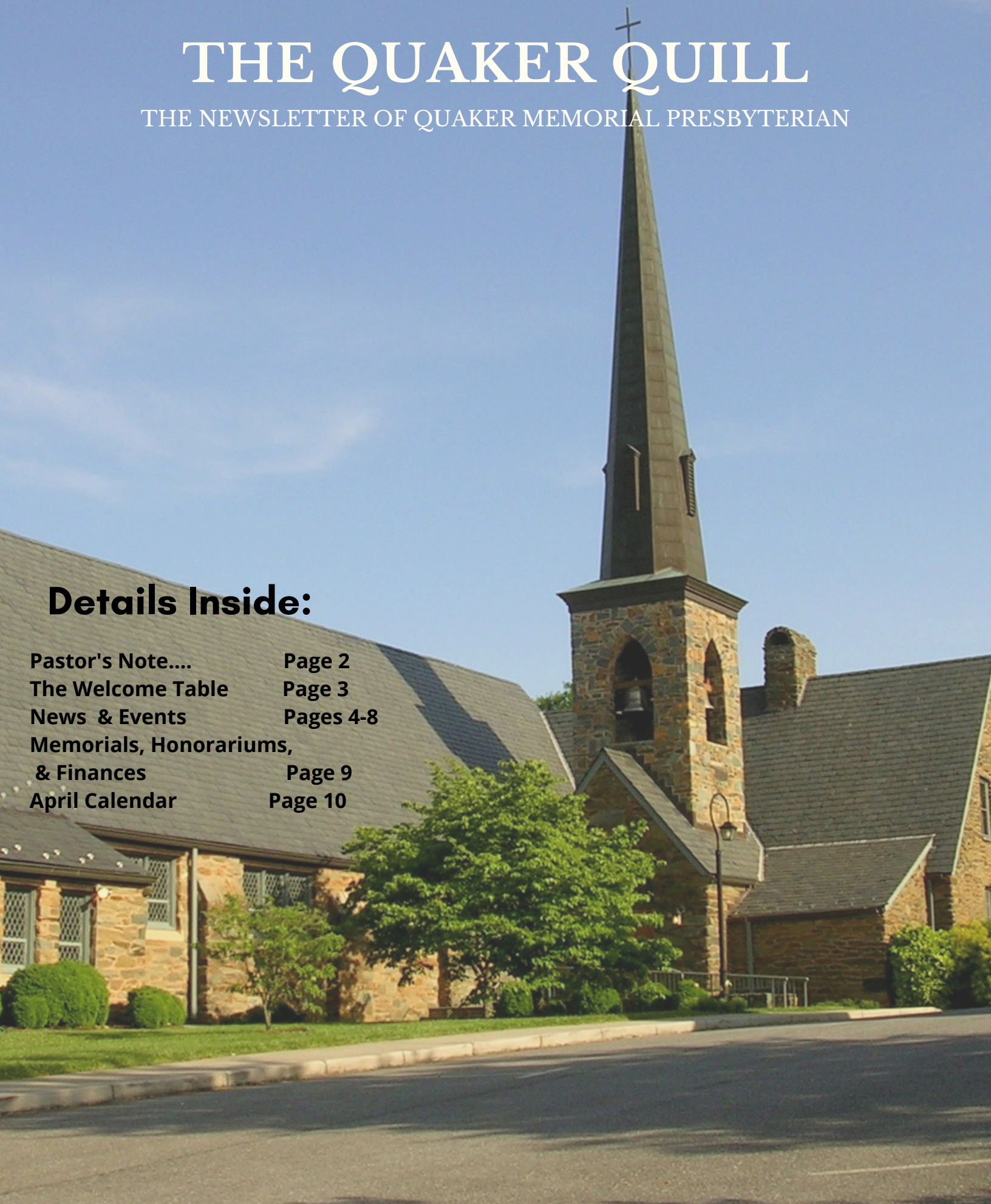
APRIL 2024

THE QUAKER QUILL

THE NEWSLETTER OF QUAKER MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN

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A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Grace & Peace to You my Friends,

We are now in the season of Easter...if we really stop and ponder it, we are always in the season of Easter...a season of new life, a season of hope, a season of resurrection. However, many of us know that the reality of human life is that we often go through seasons of joy, change, sorrow, and fear. For many in our church family they are in a season of sorrow and we need to hold them tenderly as they grieve...for others this is a season of uncertainty and they need our reminder that the church is always present...for others they are entering a season of great joy and we rejoice with them. For when one suffers, we all suffer and when one rejoices we all rejoice...blessed be this tie that binds us together.

We had a wonderfully holy and blessed Lenten Season and that was made possible because of the time and gifts given by many volunteers...thank you to our Worship, Discipleship, Care & Nurture, and Property Committees for all they did to beautify the sanctuary, prepare meals, hide eggs, and provide sublime music. Thank you!

Love & Light
Anghaarad

To accomodate more folks, we're moving the starting time of the Welcome Table back a half hour. We'll eat at 6:30 and the music will start around 7:15.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Singers & Listeners of All Ages — Everyone is Invited!

The Welcome Table

at

Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church

5810 Fort Ave, Lynchburg, VA 24502

POTLUCK DINNER & COMMUNITY SING

featuring a

Warm Welcome, Fine Food & Sweet Harmony

Americana & Roots Music, Spirituals, Gospel Songs,
Country Blues, Mountain Hymns & Civil Rights Anthems

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 12TH
6:30 – 8:00

Bring a Friend or Two & a Dish to Share!

For more information, please call 434.239.2548

This is a Community Event.

People of All Faiths & People of No Faith are Welcome.

Atheists are Particularly Welcome, Especially if They can Sing Bass.



AFTER HOURS WITH THE PASTOR...

Will meet Wednesday, April 10 at 6:00pm at Water Dog, downtown...all are welcome. If the weather permits we will sit outside by the fire pits.



COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR

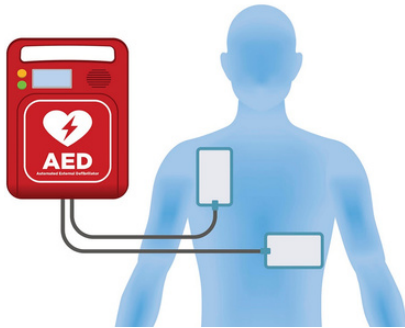
Join Anghaarad for coffee at The Bagel & I at 20584 Timberlake Road on Monday, April 22 from 10 am-Noon. Come for a Cup of Joe, tea or even breakfast and great conversation...this is a wonderfully relaxing time for all members of Quaker and friends.



This month **Lunch Bunch** will head to 221 Tap and Table at 14521 Forest Road in Forest. Join us on Wednesday, April 17 at 11:30 am. We will need to give a final head count to the restaurant by Monday, April 15 so please RSVP to Sara by text, call 434-941-3349 or email her at buzzandsara@gmail.com.

COMMUNION AT BENTLEY COMMONS, THE SUMMIT & VALLEY VIEW

Each month Quaker delivers communion to our neighbors at Bentley Commons (2nd Tuesday at 6pm) and Valley View (3rd Thursday at 3:00pm). We are also now serving communion at the Summit Assisted Living on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10am. The residents at these places truly enjoy having folks visit with them during these short worship services. If you would like to join us, please let one of the pastors or the office know that you are coming.



AED TRAINING

There will be a training immediately following worship before the Session meeting. All elders, ushers and interested members are encouraged to come to this 30 minute training.

UNIVERSITY OF LYNCHBURG ZAIRE CREEL WILLIAMS LECTURE...

will be on Monday, April 8 at 7:00pm in Schewel Hall. The event is free and open to the public. This year's guest lecturer is Dr. Laura Anderson and her topic will be "When Religion Hurts You: Healing from Religious Trauma and the Impact of High Control Religion."

LECTURE AT FIRST CHRISTIAN LYNCHBURG

You are invited to the 2024 Turner-Warren Lecture on Life and Faith on Sunday April 14 at 4:00pm. The guest speaker is Rev. Dr. Amy Altman who will be speaking on "The Only Way Out: Unpacking Religious Trauma." The lecture is free to the public and First Christian is located on 3109 Rivermont Avenue.





SCOTLAND TOUR 2024

Join Angharad for a trip to Scotland (October 7-October 15, 2024). The trip will cost \$3895 per person and includes coach travel, hotels, some meals, tipping, and fees. **It is not too late to sign up for this trip. You can still get a registration slip from the office and pay a deposit of \$2000 to QMPC to hold your spot.** All balances on the trip will need to be paid by July 10, 2024. The trip will include Edinburgh, Iona, St. Andrews, Loch Ness, Stirling, Culloden and an opportunity to explore Scotland's sacred heritage. A full brochure with all the details is in the office. This trip is also open to friends, family and other members of Peaks Presbytery.

- Living Well
- Dying Well
- Leaving a Legacy

April 27, 2024 9am-12noon
Join us for a one day seminar on planning for end of life...we will have workshops on pre-planning a funeral, financial legacy giving, hospice, home health care, retirement homes, living wills, and more

Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



WELCOME TO THESE (SOMEWHAT) NEW MEMBERS!



Larry and Shirley Bowers are native Virginians (Larry born in Floyd County; Shirley in Lynchburg). They have been married almost 62 years; lived in Roanoke 56 years. Moved to Forest in 2023 after 5 years in San Antonio, TX. They have twin daughters; in San Antonio and Butte, MT; a grandson in Kingsport, TN and granddaughter in San Antonio. So thankful to be back in VA near Shirley's brother and sister-in-law. And especially THANKFUL to be part of the Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church family!

Calling all quilters
sowers &
helpers

The Worship Committee is working on a set of banners for the sanctuary & we need folks willing to help: we need volunteers willing to cut, sew, press & quilt...sign up today to help & we will begin working on this project in May





QMPC/UNIVERSITY OF LYNCHBURG/LYNCHBURG MUSEUM SYSTEM PARTNERSHIP PROGRESS REPORT

In 2022 QMPC, the University of Lynchburg, and the Lynchburg Museum System formed a partnership to enhance the South River Meeting House interpretive program so that the story of Lynchburg's early Quakers and their South River Meeting House might be shared more widely and effectively. This initiative has already produced impressive results, with more exciting projects in the works.

Partnership accomplishments to date include a weatherproof Meeting House brochure holder made by Lowell Milton and installed by him and Bob Lockridge near the Meeting House's main entrance; regularly scheduled Meeting House tours by Lynchburg Museum System staff; Meeting House tour guide training of several University of Lynchburg history students; wreath laying ceremonies at John Lynch's grave and Meeting House tours during celebrations of Lynch's birthday; mulching and periwinkle around John Lynch's grave, thanks to Bob Lockridge; and cleaning of the plaque on Lynch's grave marker so it is legible.

Upcoming activities and events include an April 24 public lecture at 5:30pm by Lynchburg Museum System staff member Rebecca Pickard titled "'The Last Sayings of Sarah Lynch Terrell' and the Radical Abolitionism of South River Quakers," preceded and followed by a Meeting House open house with University of Lynchburg history student tour guides available to answer questions; a mini-museum in the Meeting House tack room being designed by University of Lynchburg students; cleaning of the plaque next to the Meeting House's main entrance; a Lynchburg's Pioneer Quakers and Their Meeting House presentation on Oct. 2 for Life@Lynchburg (University of Lynchburg's lifelong learning program) by Ted Delaney, executive director of the Lynchburg Museum System; Carolyn Eubank, QMPC member and chair of the South River Meeting House Restoration Committee; and Heidi Koring, a leader of the local Quaker Indulged Meeting.

MARCH MEMORIALS & GIFTS

In Memory of Margaret Tucker

Susan & Doug Evans
Andrea & David Webb, Sr.

In Memory of Melinda O'Neil

Sam Leslie

In Memory of Gregory Harman

Fay Willis

In Memory of Mid Armstrong

Amy Donahue & Jane Roark
Nancy Mize

In Honor of Laura Eubank Harman and Sons

Fay Willis

In Memory of Ray Snidow

Carolyn & Bob Eubank

In Memory of James Dees, Sr. & Rick Hawkins

Nancy Mize

FEBRUARY 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

	Feb-24	Monthly	Year to Date
Revenue		\$35,593.19	\$82,051.46
Expenses		\$30,994.67	\$56,925.18
Difference		\$4,598.52	\$25,126.28

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE

Just a reminder that we now offer electronic giving. You can give simply by scanning the QR code to the side or go to our website www.qmpc.org and click the GIVE NOW button at the top of the page to be taken to our secure site. There is a small fee involved and you will have the option to cover that fee when you give.



APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Easter Monday Church Office closed  5:45 pm STAR Debate Club	2 10am Zoom Bible Study	3 STAR Home-school Group in building 11am Centering Prayer 6pm Pray for others at home	4 7pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	5	6
7 9am Sunday School 10am Worship: Communion & Two cents a meal offering 11:15am Children's Choir NO Youth	8 5:45pm STAR Debate Club	9 10am Zoom Bible Study 10am Communion at Summit Assisted Living 6pm Communion at Bentley Commons	10 STAR Home-school Group in building 11am Centering Prayer 6pm Pray for others at home 6pm After Hours at Water Dog 6:30pm Property	11 10 am Comfort Table Support Group 7pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	12 10 am Lynchburg Retired Teachers Board Meeting 6:30pm The Welcome Table	13
14 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 11am AED Training 11:15am Children's Choir 11:30am Session 4pm Youth Choir 5:15pm Youth Fellowship	15 5:45 pm STAR Debate Club	16 10am Zoom Bible Study	17 STAR Home-school Group in building 11am Centering Prayer 11:30 am Lunch Bunch 6pm Pray for others at home	18 3pm Communion at Valley View 7pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	19	20 9am to noon Worker Bees (Clean & scotchguard folding chairs in FH)
21 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 11:15 am Celebrating Earth Day	22 10-12 Coffee with Pastor at The Bagel & I (20584 Timberlake Road) 5:45 pm STAR Debate Club	23 10am Zoom Bible Study	24 STAR Home-school Group in building 11am Centering Prayer 5:30pm Lecture in SRMH 6pm Pray for others at home	25 10 am Comfort Table Support Group 7pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	26	27 9-12 End of Life Seminar STAR Science Fair
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