



The Quaker Quill



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WELCOMING ALL, SERVING CHRIST, TRANSFORMING LIVES

These are wonderful words and faithful concepts. They model Jesus' ministry here on earth. And I believe they are right on target for QMPC today and into the future. To make them live, we must not only know them by rote, but we must know what they mean to us. How they inspire us and how they make us nervous. How we are willing to inconvenience ourselves to make them true in our lives and what boundaries regarding them are we hesitant to cross. As we examine each one, we need to know what they mean to us personally and what we think they mean to other members. We need to corporately speak them when considering and discussing the ministry, mission and programs options that we have in front of us.

Of the three phrases in our mission statement, I think that QMPC serves others very well. Many of our members serve through a large number of organizations in this local area and even around the world. We genuinely care about other members and go out of our way to provide for someone's needs when they arise. One question might be: do we reach out to members equally or just those we know well? Which places attention on the first phrase: Welcoming all.

We certainly are good at being friendly to each other and enjoying each other's company. But what does it mean to welcome all? Who in our community represents all? How are we welcoming to members we know least well? How open are we to the stranger? Who do we think belongs at QMPC? How can other members serve as role models to us?

Transforming lives is the least tangible of the three phrases and we acknowledge that the Holy Spirit does most of the work. We primarily provide the opportunity and let people know they are loved and valued.

I am excited that we are putting actual programs and mission efforts into play to bring our mission to life in tangible ways. We are emphasizing intergenerational programs and have a new Senior High through Adult Bible Study Class to be held during Sunday School. We have added a daytime Spiritual Nurture class and programs for health issues that seniors struggle with.

In October we will begin a six week program called "Terrific Tuesdays" designed for all generations. We will gather at 6:00 PM for a simple supper and hopefully sit with folks we know the least. After dinner we will spend a few minutes having fun engaging in an intergenerational activity that enhances our fellowship time together. The Preschoolers will then go to a classroom to watch a Bible based video. The Elementary School kids, Middle School and Senior High Youth will have time to work on their homework with coaching and tutoring from adults. The rest of the adults will spend time in one of several spiritual nurture programs. At 7:25 we will gather for prayer and then end having eaten, worked on home work and spiritual growth, and enjoyed fellowship time with members of all ages. I hope you will join us in this program as we Welcome All, Serve Christ and Transform Lives Together.

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Capital Campaign

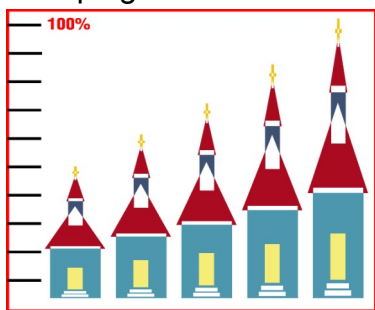
As part of our discernment process we created a property task force. Their job was twofold to assess what was needed in repairs for our building and to look at how the building was being used and how it could be used in the future.

It is very important to understand the second part of their task. We have a beautiful building and while part of our stewardship for the building is in its maintenance we also have a responsibility to be good stewards in the use of this building. We have and are continuing to look for ways for us and our community to use our building.

With all of that in mind the task force committee has come to the session with a list of projects some that are critical in the prevention of the decay of the building, some critical to creating a safe environment, and some to help make our church welcoming to all.

The session decided to create a capital campaign to raise funds to support us in completing the projects. We would like to invite everyone to the kick off of this campaign on 9/15 after worship. We will have tables set up where you can see the different projects we will be working on and can ask questions as to why we need to complete the project and what the project will entail. We will have appetizers for you as you move among the tables to see the different projects. We hope to see you all there.

Yours in Christ,
Capital Campaign Committee



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



Highlights from the August Session Meeting:

- 2018 Minutes were reviewed by the Presbytery at the August meeting.
- A request for an ad for QMPC Candlelight service placed in the Bedford Garden Tour booklet with Angie Power covering the cost was approved.
- Additional offering counters are needed. 2 additional teams were approved.
- The Capital campaign, Blessing God's House, was discussed. \$500 from Memorial Fund to start the campaign was requested and approved.
- Christian Ed Report: Rally Day Sept. 8, additional Sunday school class added, Confirmation classes begin in Sept., Terrific Tuesdays to begin Oct. 1, Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo on Oct. 6, December Craft Bazaar on Dec. 7.
- Missions Report– Haiti trip tentative dates January 25– February 1, 2020.
- Property Task Force– work in progress on office issues.
- PNC Nominations were discussed. Announcement to be at Sept. 8 Congregational meeting.
- Building use approved for: Outdoorsman Men's Prayer on Sept. 21, and Quakers to use meeting house on Oct. 3 for area ministerial meeting.

Gifts & Memorials

IN HONOR OF:

Steve & Susie Hubbard
Brit Le Compte Birthday
Sarah Evers Birthday
Rose and Choir

GIVEN BY

David & Andrea Webb
Beverly Lightner
David & Andrea Webb
Brit LeCompte

IN MEMORY OF:

Curt Taylor
Robert Johnson

GIVEN BY

Beverly Lightner
David & Andrea Webb

QMPC In Transition -What has been happening?

July 2018

Pulpit supply began

Session meeting with General Presbyter to set up a QMPC Transition team to call an Interim Pastor and select a Moderator for Session meetings during the transition

QMPC Transition team appointed and began reviewing applicants for Interim Pastor position

Ministry Information Form reviewed and sent to Presbytery Committee On Ministry for approval

End of July into Early September 2018

Pulpit supply continues

MIF approved by COM was posted on PC(USA) system for Interim applicants to review.

QMPC Transition team received and reviewed Personal Information Forms from possible applicant matches in PC(USA) system

Interim Pastor candidates narrowed down and interviewed by phone and in person by QMPC Transition team

Mid-September 2018

Pulpit supply continues

Interim Pastor contract signed by Nancy Dawson to start on November 1st

Modifying and updating Director of Congregational Ministry & Director of Christian Education job descriptions

October 2018

Pulpit supply continues

Congregation announcement that Nancy Dawson would be our Interim Pastor starting November

November and December 2018

QMPC interim process begins

Interim Pastor worked on the Discernment process to present to Session for approval when ready

January 2019

Discussion about the Discernment process and how to get it done

February 2019

Interim pastor presented a Discernment process plan to Session and it was approved.

Task force groups set up to study QMPC and community. Hard data task force, Soft data task force, Property task force, Youth task force, Young adult task force and Seniors task force

Early March to Mid-April 2019

QMPC Discernment Bible Study began (group or individual) – a 6-week study

April 2019

Nancy met with Youth group to discuss the changes happening and get their feedback

Julie Dyke hired as the DCE

QMPC Church survey presented to congregation and responses reviewed by Hard data task force

Property task force, with Session approval, started to implement some of the actions they have discussed and will continue to do so until said actions are completed

May 2019

Reports from Discernment Bible Study and Survey sent to the congregation for review before upcoming luncheon discussion meeting

Luncheon meeting attended by the congregation

June 2019

Soft data task force congregation discussion luncheon

Hard data task force presentation luncheon

Property task force presentation luncheon

July 2019

QMPC young adults were sent questionnaires on faith preferences and needs

QMPC senior's discussion groups held to determine needs and preferences in terms of programs, mission projects etc.

Session retreat to discuss the results of the discernment process and put together the Mission report and Ministry plan

August 2019

Congregation gathering luncheon to share the Mission report and Ministry plan from Session retreat

Pam Claterbaugh hired as DCM

Process of nominating the **Pastor Nominating Committee** began

September 2019

Prayer

QMPC congregation meeting on selecting the PNC

Prayer

QMPC Capital Campaign Kick-off – for repairs and maintenance of QMPC facilities

What's left?

Prayer

Selecting and commissioning the PNC

Prayer

PNC training and process set up

Prayer

PNC get to work - Long term commitment until called pastor is installed

Committees, Task force groups and congregation as a whole prayerfully work on their different responsibilities as we prepare for the incoming Pastor

Prayer

PNC narrows down and interviews potential candidates for installed pastor

Prayer

Anything else that may come up during the process – we will keep you updated

Prayer

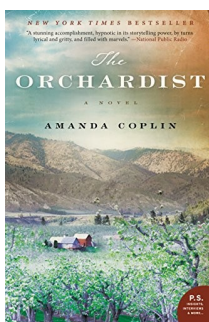
Calling a pastor and if all is well between both parties, hiring them as the installed pastor.

Prayer



Book Club

During the month of September we will read *The Orchardist* by Amanda Coplin. On Thursday, October 3rd at 10:00 a.m. we will get together to talk about what we have read. Join us! Even if you haven't read the book, you can find out who comes to book club and see what goes on. Depending on the topic, the interest the characters in the book evoke, the writing, and on the extra topics that come up, we meet for one to two hours and enjoy our time together. Everyone is welcome to join us! For questions contact Linda Jennings at 525-5423 or by email at lcjenn805@gmail.com.



Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch is going to Iron & Ale Lynchburg Tap & Table on Wednesday, September 18th at 11:30 a.m. Iron & Ale is located at 106 Cornerstone Street, in the Cornerstone neighborhood off Greenview Drive. Anyone is welcome to join for a fun lunch with good food and plenty of conversation. Please let us know if you can come by contacting Linda Jennings by Monday, September 16th. Call 525-5423 or email lcjenn805@gmail.com.



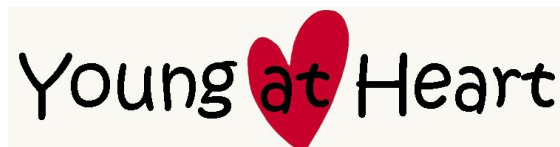
Chronic Disease

Self-Management Workshop

A Stanford University Program

Wednesdays September 4– October 9
10:00 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.

This six-week curriculum helps adults better manage their chronic conditions such as arthritis, chronic pain, and heart disease. Quaker will host this workshop beginning September 4; from 10 am to 12:30 pm. The workshop is FREE but has limited space. Please sign up in the Narthex.



Young at Heart September 26

Young at Heart will meet at 11:00 am, Thursday, September 26 in the Fellowship Hall. After a brief business meeting we will be entertained by Ms. Patricia Belcher with her flute and her beautiful voice! This month everyone will bring their own lunch. Beverages will be provided. Make plans to join us and feel free to bring a friend or two. Cost is \$2.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Calling All Knitters and Crocheters!

Cold weather will be upon us before we know it so The Prayer Shawl Ministry is getting ready to distribute warm hats, scarves, mittens, and throws to those who need them the most.

Some of those who benefit from our work are The Daily Bread (Warm Hands/Warm Heads), The Salvation Army (scarves and hats), The Cancer Center (hats and throws), The Women's Oncology Center-UVA (hats), and various hospice houses (throws). In the past we have provided hats for neonatal units at Virginia Baptist Hospital and

Southside Hospital. Along with this we still have the prayer shawls and give scarves to QMPC's graduating high school seniors.



With all this we are in desperate need of help! You do not even have to come to our meetings, but we would love to have you - we meet every other Wednesday at 10 am at the church.

DUE TO THE CHRONIC DISEASE CLASS BEING SCHEDULED ON WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER - THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY WILL BEGIN ON OCTOBER 16. After that we will meet on the regular schedule of every other Wednesday morning.

We look forward to welcoming new members! If you prefer to work at home, please leave your work at the church at your convenience, or someone will come to your home and pick it up. For more information, call Diane Baldwin (434-609-2360).

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The Fellowship Committee begins its busiest time of the year with the Rally Day kick-off. We will be serving lunch that day and will have gluten-free, vegetarian & alpha-gal options.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the following dates:

- **RALLY DAY-SEPTEMBER 8**
- **REFORMATION SUNDAY-OCTOBER 27**
- **GIVING THANKS DINNER-NOVEMBER 24**
- **CANDLELIGHT BUFFET-DECEMBER 15**

If you'd like to lend a helping hand, we'd love to have you. Set up and prep are done at 10:00am on the Saturday before the event. Except for Reformation Sunday as that just involves cake and beverages. Contact Julia Bryan, oddsprite07@gmail.com, to help.



Christian Education

Rally Day is Sept. 8th and kicks off the Sunday School year. Sunday School classes begin at 9:00 a.m. every Sunday, but we will be offering a few classes throughout the year during the week. We will share those with you as they are offered.



The following classes will be offered each Sunday:

- **Nursery:** Birth – Age 3
- **Ages 4 – 7:** Will meet in Room 16
- **BIG (3rd – 5th Grade):** Will meet in Room 15
- **Junior High:** Will meet in the Jr. High Youth Room
- **Faithweaver:** Senior High – Adults, will meet in Room 21. This is a new Sunday School class being offered for those wanting a devotional, questions and current topics. There is little preparation for this class. We will have four teachers rotating through the month.
- **Moseley Chapel Class:** Will meet in the Senior High Youth Room (Third Floor)
- **Fellowship Class:** Will meet in the Library.

We hope you will join us!



**Youth Groups begin
Sept. 8 at 5:00 p.m.**

***Please note that the Parents Meeting will be held Sept. 8 at 5:00 p.m. in the library to fill out paperwork. Bring your calendars to sign up to fix dinners.**

Evening Schedule for Youth:

- 5:00 p.m. BIG Meets
 - 5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir Meets
 - 5:45 p.m. Dinner (all groups together)
 - 6:15 p.m. Melody Choir
 - 6:15 p.m. Jr. and Sr. High Meet
- (The Youth Choir will meet as needed before dinner)

*Please have a ride at the church by 7:15 to pick up your child.

All children Grade 3 through High School are invited to attend our Youth Group. You are encouraged to bring a friend.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Cost \$10.00 per person
(This includes lunch and 1 pack
of Bingo Cards)

This event will be hosted by the Youth Group to help raise money for Summer Youth Retreats.

**ADULT CHOIR STARTING
SEPTEMBER 5
AT 7 PM**

We would love to add some new members to the choir! Come to rehearsal on Thursdays at 7 p.m. There is a place for you!



Children's Choirs begin September 8!

All kids are invited to join either the Cherub or Melody Choir this Fall. The Psalmist tells us to "Come make a joyful noise unto the Lord" and we plan to do just that!

- **Cherub Choir** is for all 4 years old - 2nd grade; rehearsals are Sundays from 5:00-5:30 pm
- **Melody Choir** is for all 3rd - 5th graders; rehearsals are Sundays from 6:15-7:00 pm.



Our Sponsored Kids in Haiti: UPDATE

The kids we sponsor have received good report cards and have been promoted to the fifth grade! Please keep them in your prayers for a new year.

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CARNET SCOLAIRE

Monsieur, Herdyu

Nom de l'élève (Name of Student)

Classe (Class) - Repatriote - 4 B

Année Scolaire (School Year) 2018 - 19

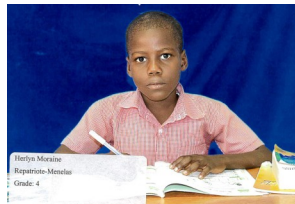
4ème. Période 7.15 Sur 10
(In general, 8.10 is expected for progress.)

Observations: Attentif en classe

Décision de Fin d'Année (End-of-the-year Decision):

Promoted to fifth grade

Signature: Simon Edouard



Herdyu Monnier
Repatriote-Monier
Grade: 4

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Louis, Nèka

Nom de l'élève (Name of Student)

Classe (Class) - Repatriote - 4 A

Année Scolaire (School Year) 2018-19

4ème. Période 7.34 Sur 10
(In general, 8.10 is expected for progress.)

Observations: Well-mannered

Décision de Fin d'Année (End-of-the-year Decision):

Promoted to fifth grade

Signature: Méridith Courtois



2019 RP
Louis
Nèka
09/28/2019

Haiti Shoe & Sock Challenge Ongoing

Let's help stock our Haiti elementary kids with shoes & socks!

They need dress shoes for kids in K through 6th grade, sizes 5-12. **For the**

guys: BLACK leather shoes (or fake leather, no canvas) and navy blue

socks. **For the girls:** BLACK flats, (NO patent leather, canvas, or heels). They can

have a buckle and white socks with lace.



Kroger Community Rewards

You can earn money for missions when you register your Kroger Plus card. Here is how to do it:

Visit <http://www.kroger.com>, under **Savings & Rewards**, select **Kroger Community Rewards**

- If you have NOT signed up your Kroger Plus card online before, you will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and your Kroger Plus card. Give it a 24 - 48 hrs and then try to enroll.
- You can also call Kroger customer service. **Make sure you have your Kroger Plus card handy because they will need the number on the back of the card.** 1-800-KROGERS (1-800-576-4377) and select option 3. Tell the agent you want to enroll your Kroger Plus card in the community rewards program. Specify that your rewards go to **Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church NPO # HH690.**
- If you have signed up your Kroger Plus card online before, once logged into your Kroger account, search for **Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church either by name or HH690** and then click Enroll.



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If you do not have a Kroger Plus card, please go to the customer service desk at any Kroger and they will help you get one.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 11:15 am Capital Campaign Meeting	2  Church Office Closed.	3 10 am Bible Study	4 10 am S.R. Writers 10 am Chronic Disease Workshop 11am Centering Prayer	5 10 am Book Club 3 pm Communion at Valley View 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6	7
8 Rally Day Congregational meeting Fellowship Dinner Youth Activities Begin	9 10 am Art Class	10 9 am ROMEOs 10 am Bible Study	11 10 am Chronic Disease Workshop 11am Centering Prayer	12 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	13 10 am Lynchburg Retired Teachers Board Meeting	14
15 11:15 am Capital Campaign Kickoff 4 pm Confirmation Class	16 10 am Art Class	17 9 am ROMEOs 10 am Bible Study	18 10 am S.R. Writers 10 am Chronic Disease Workshop 11am Centering Prayer 11:30 pm Lunch Bunch	19 Casa Dinner 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	20	21 7:45 am Outdoorsman Men's Meeting 9:00 Church Clean Up Day
22 7:30 pm Session	23 10 am Art Class	24 9 am ROMEOs 10 am Bible Study	25 10 am Chronic Disease Workshop 11am Centering Prayer	26 11 am Young at Heart 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	27	28
29 4 pm Confirmation Class	30 10 am Art Class					

Weekly Sunday Schedule:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. B.I.G. Youth Cherub Choir

5:45 p.m. Youth Supper
6:15 p.m. Melody Choir
Jr. & Sr. Youth Fellowship