*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Gracious God, you create more than we could ever hope to return. You share more than we could ever hope to deserve. And yet, we pray, accept these humble gifts. May they honor and glorify you in all creation, and may they empower us of the work of witness and service, for the sake of justice, and for the sake of peace. We remember our brothers and sisters around the world today. Help us to treat all people as your children. Amen.

HYMN #188

Jesus Loves Me!

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

*BENEDICTION

Come. We That Love the Lord *POSTLUDE

arr. Mansfield

*Please stand if able.

THIS WEEK AT QUAKER:

Sunday, October 6

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship: Two Cents a Meal

Tuesday, October 8

9:00 a.m. Garden Maintenance

10:00 a.m. Bible Study on Zoom

10:00 a.m. Communion at The Summit

6:00 p.m. Communion at Bentley Commons

Wednesday, October 9

11:00 a.m. Centering Prayer

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

Thursday, October 10

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Friday, October 11

9:00 a.m. Garden Maintenance

9:00 a.m Lynchburg Retired Teachers Association meeting

Please Keep Scotland Travelers in Your Prayers this Week

The group traveling to Scotland will be traveling tonight and tomorrow and will return home on October 15. Please keep them in your prayers for safe travels.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS this Sunday are given in glory of God and in loving memory of Martha Leigh Caulkins by her family.

OUR ELDERS ON DUTY FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER are Valerie Rogers & Sam Miller.

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

OUR ACOLYTE TODAY is Joy Jacob.

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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Welcome to Worship at Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church!

Welcoming All Serving Christ Transforming Lives

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 6, 2024

WELCOME

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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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 This Is My Father's World arr. Ingrim
Handbell Choir

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Alex Haney, Liturgist

You formed the universe in your wisdom, and created all things by your power.

You set us in families on the earth to live with you in faith.

We praise you for good gifts of bread and wine, and for the table you spread in the world

as a sign of your love for all people in Christ.

And so we come from East and West and North and South to celebrate the God of peace.

We come to praise our Maker! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Alex Haney. Liturgist

Almighty God, even as the drums of warfare beat on through the night, even as the cries of injustice linger in the morning, even as the waters of the storm recede at the breaking of the day, even as the hustle of busyness rumbles through the hours of the day, quiet our hearts. Stir our thoughts. Join us in our worship. Remember us in your mercy as we try to remember you thorough the proclamation of your good news, in story and in song and lead us homeward to the hospitality of your gracious table. May we find ourselves welcomed at the love feast of the Lamb. Amen.

*HYMN #850 In a Deep, Unbounded Darkness (the congregation will join the choir on verses 3 &4)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Alex Haney, Liturgist

Great indeed is the faithfulness of God, and yet our hearts are not so reliable. We wander. We argue. We forget. We divide ourselves with anger and bit-terness and falsehood. Let us try to come back together again, and let's start with the truth. Let us confess our sins, to God, and also to each other:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Alex Haney, Liturgist

God of the universe, in this big, wide world, you have so much to offer. We have so much to see and do and explore. And yet, in this big wide world, we can also feel severely small. Sometimes we allow our fears to get the best of us. We confess that when we are called to reach out to someone in need, we turn away. When we have the opportunity to serve in places beyond our comfort zones, we retreat and hide. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry. You have promised the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished too. Lord, have mercy on us. Transform us, at this table, and send us from this table servants of your righteousness, by the power of the Lamb, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Alex Haney, Liturgist

Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows. Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows. And even when our hearts feel barren, God's love overflows. Friends, you have been called and claimed by the God of all things, and by the abundance of God's grace, and by the power of God's love your sins have been forgiven.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE #438 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me (v. 1)

O Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee. Let the water and the blood from thy wounded side which flowed be of sin the double cure, cleanse from guilt and make me pure.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Skip Wodke

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 8

Alex Haney, Lector

ANTHEM

I Will Arise
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:13-16

Bible, page 56

SERMON

Jesus Loves

Anghaarad Teague Dees

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Adapted from the Belhar Confession

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family. And we believe that that this unity of the people of God must be manifest and active, in that we love one another; that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another, that we are share one baptism together, that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together, that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*HYMN #530

One Bread, One Body

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 Let Us Break Bread Together arr. Taylor

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.