



Integrity is a Choice
Choosing Courage over Comfort
Choosing what is Right over
what is Fun, Fast, or Easy

&

Choosing to Practice our Values,
rather than simply Stating them.

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HIGH
POINT
Friends
MEETING
336-884-1359

In Ministry

Minister:

Scott Wagoner

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Organ:

Carmen Farlow

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Piano & Voice:

Wanda Simmons

Psalm 25:4-5

- 4 Make your ways known to me, Lord;
teach me your paths.
- 5 Lead me in your truth—teach it to me—
because you are the God who saves me.
I put my hope in you all day long.

Psalm 26:1-3

- 1 Establish justice for me, Lord,
because I have walked with integrity.
I've trusted the Lord without wavering.
- 2 Examine me, Lord; put me to the test!
Purify my mind and my heart.
- 3 Because your faithful love
is right in front of me—
I walk in your truth!
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Message:

"The Quaker Way: A Life of Integrity"

Open Worship: In this time of open worship, Friends take time to center down, wait on God to provide ministry to your soul and see if God wishes to use you as an instrument of grace.

Hymn: "Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord" #396

Benediction:

Postlude

Thoughts for Reflection:

"The Testimony of Integrity is grounded in the early Quaker understanding of 'Truth', often spelled with a capital 'T'. From the beginning, Friends were known as 'Publishers of Truth' and 'Children of the Light,' even before they were known as Friends or Quakers. Later Friends sometimes greeted one another by asking the question: 'How is Truth prospering in thy parts?' which is to say, where you live... For Friends truth referred to the gospel life and the Spirit of the Living Christ, which they found in the Christian Scriptures.

..Integrity, therefore, involved discipleship and holy obedience."

(Wilmer Cooper, *The Testimony of Integrity*)

High Point Friends Meeting

Prelude: We Will Glorify / Worthy

As the music begins, we invite Friends to settle into a silence that serves to prepare us for our time of worship. Welcome the music to gather us together as a faith community at worship.

Welcome & Announcements:

Centering Prayer: "Loving God, take The fragmented parts of our lives and make us whole again. Give us an undivided heart that we may hear Your Voice and faithfully follow in Your ways. Give us the courage to live Truthful lives so that our words and deeds are in alignment with You. Help us to walk in the light of Your Truth. Amen."

Hymn: "All Creatures of Our God and King" #43

Prayers & Concerns:

Offertory: Here I Am, Lord

Choir: God's Love Never Fails-*Martin/Knoufer*

Scripture: **Psalm 25:4-5, Psalm 26:1-3**

Hymn: "I Celebrate the Inward Light" (See Insert)
