



# Announcements

## Friends Meeting at Cambridge

Sundays, September 13 and September 20, 2020

### NEW LINK for FMC Open Zoom Meetings

[Click this link](#)

**If you use an out-of-date link after August 14, you will have to enter passcode 1652.**

To participate by phone, call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 783 475 1861. No passcode is required.

To bookmark access to Open Zoom meetings, copy this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7834751861?pwd=Y3VLWGREVjN5OERycGZOdjIwZWUvdz09>

To find an open time for an impromptu gathering consult the Open Zoom calendar at

<https://fmcquaker.org/community-wide-zoom-link-schedule/>

	DATE		EVENT
Fri	11	9:30am	<b>Laughter Yoga.</b> Laughter has been shown to help people feel better both physically and mentally. Anyone can do it. We laugh for no reason at all! Laughter yoga shows us how to stay grounded and to relax and how to keep a positive frame of mind. Come and learn something new with certified Laughter Yoga coach Amy Tighe. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Amy Tighe <a href="mailto:laughter@fmcquaker.org">laughter@fmcquaker.org</a>
		1:30pm	<b>Guided Meditation for Relaxation.</b> Jessica Ronalds, a volunteer on the Pastoral Care Team, has graciously invited anyone interested to participate in a time of Guided Meditation for Relaxation. These online sessions will take place on Mondays and Fridays from 1:30-2:30 pm. We will have the opportunity for brief check-ins, share in a guided meditation followed by a time of sharing. Please see Open Zoom info above. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jan Nisenbaum <a href="mailto:meditation@fmcquaker.org">meditation@fmcquaker.org</a>
Sat	12	3:00pm	<b>Worship on Lawn Threshing Session.</b> Please see the Announcement on page 7 for more information about this event and for a <a href="#">link to draft guidelines</a> for Meetings for Worship on the Meetinghouse lawn and queries that will be used to guide the threshing discussion. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Ian Harrington <a href="mailto:covid-response@fmcquaker.org">covid-response@fmcquaker.org</a>
		6:00pm	<b>Science Fiction &amp; Fantasy Read Aloud Book Group.</b> Join us as we gather to read aloud science fiction and fantasy short stories and discuss. Come with your stories or just come to listen. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 335 209 895 and passcode 398431. Contact: Jonathan Gilbert / Betsy Roper <a href="mailto:scififantasy@fmcquaker.org">scififantasy@fmcquaker.org</a>
Sun	13	9:00am	<b>First Day School Kickoff Breakfast.</b> Greg Woods and the Curriculum Subcommittee will outline what will be happening this fall! Overall, there will be more targeted activities and times to gather for different age groups each month. This event is for both parents/grandparents/caregivers and kids alike. Bring your breakfast! To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 842 9865 7802 and passcode 336801. Contact: Greg Woods <a href="mailto:youthministries@fmcquaker.org">youthministries@fmcquaker.org</a>

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Sun	13	9:30am <b>Forum.</b> “What are your ‘red shoes?’ When you were a child, what did you imagine the world would look like? What did you long for—like owning red shoes?” Group Storytelling. Contact: Patricia Wild <a href="mailto:forum@fmcquaker.org">forum@fmcquaker.org</a>
		10:30am <b>Sunday Morning Meeting for Worship.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Alexander Levering Kern <a href="mailto:careofworship@fmcquaker.org">careofworship@fmcquaker.org</a>
		11:45am <b>Afterthoughts.</b> This is a gathering following Meeting for Worship which offers the opportunity for anyone to ask questions or discuss their experiences in Meeting for Worship. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 873 2175 9327 and passcode 537370. Contact: Wendy Sanford <a href="mailto:afterthoughts@fmcquaker.org">afterthoughts@fmcquaker.org</a>
		11:45am <b>Friendly Fellowship.</b> Join us for a time of virtual informal fellowship with Friends. Depending on the size of the group, we will meet as a whole group or break out into groups. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 875 0263 1484 and passcode 504098. Contact: Holly Lapp <a href="mailto:fellowship@fmcquaker.org">fellowship@fmcquaker.org</a>
		1:15pm <b>Meeting for Business in Worship.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Clerks Team <a href="mailto:clerks@fmcquaker.org">clerks@fmcquaker.org</a>
	5:00pm <b>Sunday Evening Meeting for Worship.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Michael Shanahan <a href="mailto:pmcareofworship@fmcquaker.org">pmcareofworship@fmcquaker.org</a>	
Mon	14	1:30pm <b>Guided Meditation for Relaxation.</b> See 9/11 at 1:30pm for more details. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jan Nisenbaum <a href="mailto:meditation@fmcquaker.org">meditation@fmcquaker.org</a>
		4:00pm <b>Ad Hoc Adult Spiritual Education Working Group.</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Liz Moore <a href="mailto:adulthood@fmcquaker.org">adulthood@fmcquaker.org</a>
		6:00pm <b>Adoración Compartida en Español.</b> Please join us virtually for this opportunity to worship share with Friends all over the world and to practice Spanish on 2nd and 4th Mondays. People with a basic understanding of the Spanish language will get the most out of this. The document that will be discussed is available <a href="#">here</a> . To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 446 927 038 and password 516251. Contact: Yaniré Zamora-Rodríguez <a href="mailto:adoracion@fmcquaker.org">adoracion@fmcquaker.org</a>
		7:00pm <b>LGBTQ+ Working Group.</b> Our group holds space and discerns with care LGBTQ+ concerns within the FMC community. We are an alliance group open to members, attenders, and newcomers. Hope to see you there! Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Betsy Roper <a href="mailto:lgbt@fmcquaker.org">lgbt@fmcquaker.org</a>
		7:00pm <b>Poems We Love.</b> Sharing aloud can be a balm. Miranda Henne and some of our other young adult friends invite you to a poetry circle. Want a theme? Think about poems that feel like prayers — or anything else that inspires you. Bring something to share, or just listen. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Miranda Henne <a href="mailto:poetryhour@fmcquaker.org">poetryhour@fmcquaker.org</a>
Tue	15	3:30pm <b>First Day School/Youth Programs Committee (FDSYP).</b> To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 884 3912 2588 and passcode 160478. Contact: Kim West <a href="mailto:fds@fmcquaker.org">fds@fmcquaker.org</a>
		5:00pm <b>White Privilege Reading Group.</b> This month we will finish discussing “Way Opens: A Spiritual Journey” by FMC author Patricia Wild beginning with chapter 7. You can get a copy on the FGC website for \$15. Here is a <a href="#">link</a> or you can contact Patricia to purchase a book from her in Somerville. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 835 9038 1141 and passcode 814549. Contact: Cynthia Knowles <a href="mailto:white-privilege@fmcquaker.org">white-privilege@fmcquaker.org</a>

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<b>Tue</b>	<b>15</b>	7:00pm	<b>Ministry &amp; Counsel Committee (M&amp;C).</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Gail Rogers <a href="mailto:ministry@fmcquaker.org">ministry@fmcquaker.org</a>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>16</b>	8:30am	<b>Wednesday Morning Meeting for Worship.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jonathan Vogel-Borne <a href="mailto:midweek@fmcquaker.org">midweek@fmcquaker.org</a>
		12:00pm	<b>Possible Zoom Tech Hosting Group</b> (if needed). Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Izabelle (Izzi) Everwoods <a href="mailto:zoomtech@fmcquaker.org">zoomtech@fmcquaker.org</a>
		3:00pm	<b>Membership Committee.</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Daniel Fitzmartin <a href="mailto:membership@fmcquaker.org">membership@fmcquaker.org</a>
		6:30pm	<b>Friends for Racial Justice Committee (FORJ).</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Polly Attwood <a href="mailto:forj@fmcquaker.org">forj@fmcquaker.org</a>
		7:00pm	<b>Nominating Committee.</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Lili Schwan-Rosenwald <a href="mailto:nominating@fmcquaker.org">nominating@fmcquaker.org</a>
		7:00pm	<b>Fundraising Committee.</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Tom Sander <a href="mailto:fundraising@fmcquaker.org">fundraising@fmcquaker.org</a>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>17</b>	5:30pm	<b>Clerks Team.</b> Visitors are welcome to attend a Clerks Team meeting but must make prior arrangements. Also, please email the Clerks Team with any questions or ideas you might want to raise. Contact: Clerks Team <a href="mailto:clerks@fmcquaker.org">clerks@fmcquaker.org</a>
		6:30pm	<b>Stone of Hope Drumming Circle.</b> This group meets almost every Thursday in Lower Longfellow Park, weather permitting. Drums are available to borrow but bring your own if you have one. Also bring a mask and chair. If you wish to receive updates with the latest plans for a given week, please send an email to <a href="mailto:stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org">stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org</a> to be added to the email list. Toussaint Liberator leads this weekly program focused on learning to play rhythms on the djembe drums and discussing racial relations in today's United States culture. Everyone welcome. Donations gratefully accepted. Contact: Daniel Fitzmartin <a href="mailto:stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org">stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org</a>
		7:00pm	<b>Marriage, Family &amp; Relationships Committee.</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Patti Muldoon <a href="mailto:marriage@fmcquaker.org">marriage@fmcquaker.org</a>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>18</b>	9:30am	<b>Laughter Yoga.</b> See 9/11 at 9:30 for more details. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Amy Tighe <a href="mailto:laughter@fmcquaker.org">laughter@fmcquaker.org</a>
		1:30pm	<b>Guided Meditation for Relaxation.</b> See 9/11 at 1:30 for more details. Please see Open Zoom info above. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jan Nisenbaum <a href="mailto:meditation@fmcquaker.org">meditation@fmcquaker.org</a>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>20</b>	9:30am	<b>Forum.</b> "Reflections on Early Friends' Vision of a Different World" with Liz Moore/Gospel Order Book Group. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Patricia Wild <a href="mailto:forum@fmcquaker.org">forum@fmcquaker.org</a>
		9:30am	<b>Preschool First Day School.</b> To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 838 2538 6231 and passcode 217962. Contact: Greg Woods <a href="mailto:youthministries@fmcquaker.org">youthministries@fmcquaker.org</a>
		10:30am	<b>Sunday Morning Meeting for Worship.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Cynthia Knowles <a href="mailto:careofworship@fmcquaker.org">careofworship@fmcquaker.org</a>

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<b>Sun</b>	<b>20</b>	10:45am <b>Raytheon Meeting for Worship.</b> We have resumed our third Sunday Meetings for Worship outside Raytheon with new pandemic safety protocols. We will conduct our Meeting for Worship in front of one of the many Raytheon offices and laboratories in the Boston area. We stress that this is not a demonstration or protest, and we are not politicizing our spirituality but rather bringing our Light to a barbaric assault on human dignity and life. Raytheon ("Light of the Gods") is the nation's and the world's fourth largest defense contractor, and the leading manufacturer of guided missiles and is developing a new nuclear weapon. The facility on Concord Avenue is one of their premier research and development sites. We will gather in front of Raytheon on Concord Avenue, Cambridge (intersection at 10 Moulton Street). Parking can be found on Moulton Street, on the next block. Contact: John Bach <a href="mailto:bolder@fmcquaker.org">bolder@fmcquaker.org</a>
<p><b>You are asked to follow these protocols:</b></p> <p>You must bring your own chair; you must wear a mask (even though we are outdoors). There will be chalk marks added to the sidewalk (spaced 6 feet apart) to indicate where chairs should be placed. All chairs will be in a single line facing the street. There will be no closing circle after Meeting for Worship. There will be no carpools to/from FMC. Names will be collected so that if anyone gets sick, all attendees can be contacted. The sun and heat can be brutal, so consider bringing an umbrella. We can also sit in the shade across Concord Ave., still maintaining the 6' separation.</p>		
		11:45am <b>Afterthoughts.</b> See 9/13 at 11:45 for more details. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 873 2175 9327 and passcode 537370. Contact: Sandy Sweetnam <a href="mailto:afterthoughts@fmcquaker.org">afterthoughts@fmcquaker.org</a>
		11:45am <b>Friendly Fellowship.</b> See 9/13 at 11:45 for more details. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 875 0263 1484 and passcode 504098. Contact: Holly Lapp <a href="mailto:fellowship@fmcquaker.org">fellowship@fmcquaker.org</a>
		1:15pm <b>Possible Adjourned Meeting for Business in Worship.</b> Watch for more information in your email. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Clerks Team <a href="mailto:clerks@fmcquaker.org">clerks@fmcquaker.org</a>
		3:00pm <b>Boston Celebration for the UN International Day of Peace.</b> See the Announcement on page 7 for more information about this event. Please visit <a href="http://www.idpboston.org">www.idpboston.org</a> for more detailed information. To reserve your free ticket, go to <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com">IDPBoston2020.Eventbrite.com</a> or you can livestream it on the Cooperative Metropolitan Ministries <a href="#">Facebook page</a> Contact: Ian Harrington <a href="mailto:idp@fmcquaker.org">idp@fmcquaker.org</a>
		5:00pm <b>Sunday Evening Meeting for Worship.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jonathan Vogel-Borne <a href="mailto:pmcareofworship@fmcquaker.org">pmcareofworship@fmcquaker.org</a>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>21</b>	1:30pm <b>Guided Meditation for Relaxation.</b> See 9/11 at 1:30 for more details. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jan Nisenbaum <a href="mailto:meditation@fmcquaker.org">meditation@fmcquaker.org</a>
		4:00pm <b>Prayer Circle.</b> We welcome anyone who needs prayers or who is moved to pray for others. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 885 7977 8713 and passcode 351349. Contact: Cornelia Parkes <a href="mailto:prayers@fmcquaker.org">prayers@fmcquaker.org</a>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>22</b>	6:30pm <b>Peace &amp; Social Justice Committee (P&amp;SJ).</b> To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 835 3032 9604 and password 215448. Contact: Raymond Aucoin <a href="mailto:peace@fmcquaker.org">peace@fmcquaker.org</a>

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Wed	23	8:30am	<b>Wednesday Morning Meeting for Worship.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jonathan Vogel-Borne <a href="mailto:midweek@fmcquaker.org">midweek@fmcquaker.org</a>
		12:00pm	<b>Zoom Tech Hosting Group.</b> Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Izabelle (Izzi) Everwoods <a href="mailto:zoomtech@fmcquaker.org">zoomtech@fmcquaker.org</a>
		5:00pm	<b>Ad Hoc Technology Working Group.</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Liz Moore <a href="mailto:adhocotech@fmcquaker.org">adhocotech@fmcquaker.org</a>
Thu	24	6:30pm	<b>Stone of Hope Drumming Circle.</b> See 9/17 at 6:30pm for more details. If you wish to receive updates with the latest plans for a given week, please send an email to <a href="mailto:stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org">stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org</a> to be added to the email list. Contact: Daniel Fitzmartin <a href="mailto:stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org">stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org</a>
Fri	25	9:30am	<b>Laughter Yoga.</b> See 9/11 at 9:30 for more details. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Amy Tighe <a href="mailto:laughter@fmcquaker.org">laughter@fmcquaker.org</a>
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Sat	26	6:00pm	<b>Science Fiction &amp; Fantasy Read Aloud Book Group.</b> See 9/12 at 6:00pm for more details. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 335 209 895 and passcode 398431. Contact: Jonathan Gilbert / Betsy Roper <a href="mailto:scififantasy@fmcquaker.org">scififantasy@fmcquaker.org</a>
Sun	27	9:30am	<b>Forum.</b> Query/worship-sharing. Presenters: The Imagining Faithful Structures Working Group with Clark Redner. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Patricia Wild <a href="mailto:forum@fmcquaker.org">forum@fmcquaker.org</a>
		9:30am	<b>Elementary School First Day School.</b> To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 838 2538 6231 and passcode 217962. Contact: Greg Woods <a href="mailto:youthministries@fmcquaker.org">youthministries@fmcquaker.org</a>
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		5:00pm	<b>FEMS Poetry Festival Orientation</b> for FEMS and FMC Volunteers. FEMS and FMC volunteers will gather to meet each other and to discuss how to coordinate supporting this year's virtual FEMS poetry festival. More details to come. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 811 1030 1503 and passcode 693584. Contact: Polly Attwood <a href="mailto:forj@fmcquaker.org">forj@fmcquaker.org</a>
		7:00pm	<b>All Committee Clerks and Conveners Meeting.</b> Email contact person for meeting information. Contact: Jonathan Vogel-Borne <a href="mailto:clerks@fmcquaker.org">clerks@fmcquaker.org</a>
Mon	28	1:30pm	<b>Guided Meditation for Relaxation.</b> See 9/11 at 1:30 for more details. Please see Open Zoom info above. Contact: Jan Nisenbaum <a href="mailto:meditation@fmcquaker.org">meditation@fmcquaker.org</a>



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Mon	28	6:00pm <b>Adoración Compartida en Español.</b> Please join us virtually for this opportunity to worship share with Friends all over the world and to practice Spanish on 2nd and 4th Mondays. People with a basic understanding of the Spanish language will get the most out of this. The document that will be discussed is available <a href="#">here</a> . To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 446 927 038 and password 516251. Contact: Yaniré Zamora-Rodríguez <a href="mailto:adoracion@fmcquaker.org">adoracion@fmcquaker.org</a>
		7:00pm <b>New Story Group.</b> Join us at 6:30pm for fellowship. Program: Review draft of New Story forum presentation followed by linking together the themes and threads in our conversation in the last 6 months. To participate in the Zoom event, <a href="#">click this link</a> or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 875 6881 1869 and passcode 101225. Contact: Cornelia Parkes <a href="mailto:new-story@fmcquaker.org">new-story@fmcquaker.org</a>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *From the Fundraising Committee*

Your financial support is vital to the work and life of Friends Meeting at Cambridge. In this time of uncertainty and disconnection, FMC is striving to provide channels for interaction to enrich the lives of our community members. Please consider making a contribution to FMC via one of the methods listed on [our webpage](#).

### *Zoom Information*

#### *Requesting a Zoom Meeting from an FMC Account*

Individuals planning an event that will be using one of FMC's Zoom accounts should submit their request as early as possible to [zoom@fmcquaker.org](mailto:zoom@fmcquaker.org). Please identify the title, event starting and ending times, the requested reservation starting and ending times as well as host of the meeting and their email. An estimate of the number of participants and whether you want the Zoom link included in the Announcement Sheet and on the FMC website would also be helpful. Also, please include the text for any announcement you would like to be included on the Announcement Sheet and website. Meeting hosts are responsible for notifying the members of their groups of the Zoom link for their meeting (except for the meeting-wide meetings included in the Announcement Sheet).

#### Notifying FMC of Zoom Meeting links

Some individuals choose to set up their FMC meetings using their own Zoom accounts. They are expected to notify their groups of the Zoom links, but we are hoping they will also notify the Meeting of the Zoom links by sending that information to [zoom@fmcquaker.org](mailto:zoom@fmcquaker.org). This would make the information more available if people are unable to find the meeting and provide information about the Meeting's need for Zoom meetings. The information would not be included in the Announcement Sheet unless requested.

#### Zoom Resources

Basic instructions on setting up Zoom are available at [Getting Started](#).

Requests for help in setting up Zoom or accessing a Zoom meeting should be made by emails to [zoomhelp@fmcquaker.org](mailto:zoomhelp@fmcquaker.org), and someone will try to help.

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***Threshing Session on Meeting for Worship on the Meetinghouse Lawn  
Saturday, September 12 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm***

We are mindful that many in the FMC community are longing to share Meeting for Worship together in person. Therefore, we are considering whether to, and how to, safely hold small Meetings for Worship on the lawn at 5 Longfellow Park. There are multiple considerations to making this possibility a reality. The Ad Hoc COVID-19 Response Group is hosting a virtual Threshing Session to elicit perspectives from the whole community. We hope you will join us. Please see the Open Zoom info above.

The Threshing Session will be an opportunity to consider the draft guidelines that have been developed for such a gathering. A set of queries will be used to guide the discussion. [Click here](#) to review the draft guidelines and queries.

For more information, please contact Ian Harrington [covid-response@fmcquaker.org](mailto:covid-response@fmcquaker.org).

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***Boston Celebration for the United Nations International Day of Peace  
Sunday, September 20 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm on Zoom***

For the tenth year, FMC is involved in planning and organizing the local celebration of the United Nations International Day of Peace. This year's program will be virtual; please join us on Zoom. To reserve your free ticket, go to [IDPBoston2020.Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) or you can livestream it on the [Cooperative Metropolitan Ministries Facebook page](#) [<https://www.facebook.com/cmminterfaith/>].

This year's theme is ***Shaping Peace Together***. We are planning an event focusing on the three pandemics: Racial Injustice, Violence, and COVID-19. Our own Miranda Henne and Toussaint Liberator will be among the musical performers. The Reverend Rodney Dailey (New Bethel AME Church, Lowell MA) will once again serve as emcee. The Reverend Rahsaan Hall, Director of the Racial Justice Program for the American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts, will be one of the speakers. John Flynn, an American singer-songwriter and activist (founder and executive director of New Beginnings - Next Step, Inc.) known for his powerful music, will be among the other performers featured on the program. Please visit the [IDP Boston website](#) for more detailed information or contact Ian Harrington at [idp@fmcquaker.org](mailto:idp@fmcquaker.org).

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***Share an Activity You Love on video with First Day School Families***

The First Day School Curriculum Subcommittee and I are rethinking how we are doing First Day School this fall. One of the ideas for engaging families is through asynchronous videos of activities they could do as a family on their own time.

We want to invite the larger FMC community to think about creating a video showing something you like doing, like an art activity, music, educational tour around your neighborhood, or cooking.

Also, if you do not want to videotape yourself or do not have the capabilities, what about showing something through a series of photos? I am happy to help think through ideas.

If you want to be a part of this experiment or have questions, please let me know!

Greg Woods, Youth Ministries and Education Coordinator  
[youthministries@fmcquaker.org](mailto:youthministries@fmcquaker.org) or 413-251-6512

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***Louise and Severyn Bruyn's Art Exhibit Now Available Virtually***

Severyn and Louise's wonderful art exhibit went up in the Friends Room shortly before FMC closed its doors due to the pandemic. Thanks to the efforts of Sara Sue Pennell, Alasdair Post-Quinn and Jonathan Vogel-Borne, all the images in that show are available [here](#) on the FMC website. Biographies of both artists are included. If you click on an image, you can learn the artist and title and can begin a slide show where you can view each of the images individually by pressing the right arrow key.

***Reminders***

To see the up-to-date calendar of FMC events with full descriptions go to our website [fmcquaker.org](http://fmcquaker.org)

The deadline for the next Announcement Sheet is Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:59 pm covering events taking place between Friday, September 25 and Monday, October 12. Please send your announcement in an email to [publications@fmcquaker.org](mailto:publications@fmcquaker.org).

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 LOOKING AHEAD
 

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**SAVE THE DATES!**

***FEMS Virtual Poetry Festival***  
***Thursday, October 1 through Sunday, October 4***  
***Orientation for FEMS/FMC Volunteers Sunday, September 27 from 5:00 – 6:30 pm***

In the words of FEMS organizers, "FEMS 2020 is Resilient & Transforming! The year 2020 doesn't need competition but it does need community."

What is FEMS? The [Feminine Empowerment Movement Slam](#) is a creative space for all ages interested in spending four days writing and being in a community that celebrates femininity and centers marginalized artists. Click above name for more information.

FEMS & FMC: Since 2017, FMC has welcomed FEMS as part of the wider FMC community to hold its annual poetry slam tournament at 5 Longfellow Park. This year it will be a virtual festival to build and sustain community. FEMS embraces FMC as a faith community where they feel respected and supported during their annual gathering. Through this deepening collaboration, FEMS and FMC have deepened and expressed a shared commitment to creating an inclusive beloved community.

[Click here](#) to see the tentative schedule of events, workshops and discussions.

STAY TUNED FOR MORE UPDATES about REGISTERING (no cost involved unless you decide to donate, and we need to know numbers :-)) and VOLUNTEERING (a wonderful opportunity for all and any at FMC to be part of welcoming and supporting of FEMS over the weekend).

Thank you from the Friends for Racial Justice Committee. Questions? Email: [forj@fmcquaker.org](mailto:forj@fmcquaker.org).

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 WIDER QUAKER WORLD
 

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***Beacon Hill Friends House Midweek Experiments in Faithfulness Program Continues***  
***Wednesdays from 7:30pm – 8:30pm***

September 2 with Su Penn | Poetically Magical Moments

September 9 Monica City Hix | Sacred Listening

**September 16 Greg Woods | Seeing Ourselves as Whole and Perfect in an Ableist World**

September 23 Jeffrey Edenberg | Tashlikh: A Reflection

September 30 Sadelle Wiltshire | Labyrinth Walks in Pen and Ink - A Guided Interactive

[Click this link](#) to find out more about each experiment, listen to recordings of past experiments, and register for individual events on Zoom.

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***George Lakey Trainings to Help Prepare to Resist A Trump Election-Related Power Grab/Coup***  
***Wednesdays, September 23 and September 30 from 7:30 – 9:30 pm***

George Lakey, a longtime Quaker, social justice activist, teacher/trainer in non-violent direct action is leading this two-session training around preparing to resist a Trump power grab/coup if he loses election in November. The training will be on zoom. See details here: <https://choosedemocracy.us/>

Click [here](#) to sign up for the training sessions. Space is limited.

Here are links to two thoughtful articles by George

[Mass direct action might be the only way to stop Trump from stealing the election](#)

[We need a plan to prevent a Trump takeover](#)

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**Recordings Available from New England Yearly Meeting Sessions**

Many from our community attended and were inspired by the virtual New England Yearly Meeting Sessions in August. If you weren't able to attend or want to watch selected events again, [click here](#). You might want to check out the recordings made of the plenary experience offered by Dr. Amanda Kemp and Bible Half Hours offered by Cherice Bock. There are also recordings of the opening session and a slideshow, set to original music performed at the plenary, featuring artwork created as part of the plenary during an exercise on the power of imagination. On a lighter note, the annual coffeehouse included a wonderful song "NEYM Pie 360" about 360 years of Quakers in New England set to Don McLean's "American Pie" with updated lyrics written by Jim Grace of Beacon Hill Friends Meeting. [Click here](#) to enjoy hearing the song accompanied by the words.

**PERSONAL NEWS AND VIEWS**



**Marina Rothman Exhibits Her Tapestries and Talks About What Has Inspired Her to Create Tapestries**

Marina (nom de plume Minna) creates tapestries in her retirement. For her, weaving has become an integral part of her spiritual journey.

One of her tapestries, *Sand Dunes I*, is part of the [Mary Schein Fall Salon](#) presented by Cambridge Art Association. The show will be on display until September 30 at the Cambridge Art Association, 25R Lowell St, Cambridge. The link above includes online images of the art in the exhibition.

Another tapestry, *Migration 2015: Integration* will be on display from October 3-December 6, 2020 as part of the international juried show [Mandatory Color](#) presented by The Surface Design Association, Museum of Texas Tech University, TX .

Recently Marina was invited to post a podcast at the Centre for Textile Research at the University of Copenhagen, which sponsors a project entitled "The Fabric of My Life." Minna's contribution to the project is about six minutes long. To hear the podcast, [click](#) and then go to the very bottom of the screen and click on the triangular "play" button.

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