



Weekly Calendar

Friends Meeting at Cambridge

October 25 through November 3, 2024 (one week)

Go to our website at fmcquaker.org for an online version of this Weekly Calendar and much, much more!

DATE	EVENT
Fri 25 1:30— 2:30pm	Guided Meditation for Relaxation (Open Zoom). These online sessions will take place on Tuesdays and Fridays. Come when you can. We will have the opportunity for very brief check-ins, share in a guided meditation followed by a brief time of sharing. To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Jessica Ronalds at meditation@fmcquaker.org
Sat 26 10:00am— 12:00pm	Cambridge Friends (Pre-K through 8th Grade) School Fall Admissions Open House (Off-Site at 5 Cadbury Road, Cambridge). Talk with teachers, see the classrooms, ask questions. Come see what Cambridge Friends is all about! Or fill out the form here to schedule a visit at another time. Contact Jan Nisenbaum at cfs-openhouse@fmcquaker.org
12:00— 2:00pm	Family Worship Planning Group (Zoom). To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 834 2302 5395 and passcode 532291 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Chris Jorgenson / Holly Lapp at family-worship@fmcquaker.org
12:30— 1:30pm	FORJ Field Trip--Tour of Longfellow House: Enslavement and Freedom (Off-Site at 105 Brattle Street, Cambridge). The Friends for Racial Justice Committee is planning a FORJ Field Trip to hear about the ongoing research into the experiences of seven people who were enslaved at 105 Brattle Street prior to 1775. Anyone can come, but as a courtesy, please RSVP to Minga Claggett-Borne at forj@fmcquaker.org by October 25.
Sun 27 9:15— 10:15am	Forum (Forum / Zoom). "Reflections on Day of the Dead" with Yani Bray and Chris Jorgenson. Childcare is provided. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 873 2175 9327 and passcode 537370 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact George Campbell / Jan Nisenbaum at forum@fmcquaker.org
10:30— 11:30am	Sunday Morning Meetings for Worship (Meetinghouse and Parlor / Open Zoom). On 4th Sundays on an interim basis, we will have two simultaneous meetings for worship—one in the Meetinghouse with only microphones and a speaker for amplification and a hybrid meeting in the Parlor with worshippers in the Parlor and on Open Zoom. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Jan Nisenbaum / Betsy Roper at careofworship@fmcquaker.org
10:30— 11:45am	First Day School (FDS Rooms). Children join their families for the first 15 minutes of Meeting for Worship, and then go to their own program at 10:45am. Contact Zoe Zurad at youthministries@fmcquaker.org

Sun 27	11:45am– 12:15pm	Fellowship with Refreshments (On-Site). Enjoy conversation with simple refreshments served either in the Friends Room (mask optional) or outdoors (weather permitting). Contact Holly Lapp / Amanda Marcus / Caren Seagraves at refreshments@fmcquaker.org
	12:00– 12:30pm	Afterthoughts (Parlor / Zoom). Childcare is provided. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 873 2175 9327 and passcode 537370 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Daria Casinelli at afterthoughts@fmcquaker.org
	12:15– 1:00pm	Commemorating Day of the Dead (Friends Room). You are invited to bring pictures of your loved ones who have died to join us at our tables for Simple Lunch. We will create an altar inspired by the Mexican celebration of Day of the Dead. Children (and adults) who want to wear costumes are welcome to dress up for the occasion. Contact Daria Casinelli / Patti Muldoon at fellowship@fmcquaker.org
	12:15– 1:00pm	Simple Lunch (Friends Room). A \$6-7 donation is requested to cover the cost of the vegan soup, salad and bread provided, but you are invited regardless of whether you can contribute money. Contact Tom Sander / David Smith / Alasdair Post-Quinn at simplelunch@fmcquaker.org
	1:15– 3:00pm	Threshing Session (Friends Room / Open Zoom). Childcare provided upon request. "What do we want accountability to mean for our community?" Childcare is available upon request. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the Meeting ID: 783 475 1861 and Passcode: 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling # 1-646-558-8656. Contact Blue Sky Group at blueskygroup@fmcquaker.org
	4:30– 5:45pm	Prison Fellowship (Zoom). To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 836 6893 0642 and passcode 245444 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Sandy Sweetnam / Michael Carey at prisons@fmcquaker.org
Mon 28	4:00– 5:30pm	Nominating Committee (Parlor / Zoom). Email Gail Rogers at nominating@fmcquaker.org for meeting information.
	5:30– 8:00pm	Film Screening and Discussion of the 2021 Documentary <i>Boycott</i> (Register for location). <i>Boycott</i> tells the story of how anti-boycott legislation has passed across the United States and highlights the journey of several US citizens who are all facing backlash after refusing to sign contracts that would prevent them from boycotting Israel. After the screening, there will be a guided discussion about the film. Watch the trailer here . Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required here . Free. Sponsored by Jewish Voice for Peace Boston's Political Education Working Group and our Peace & Social Justice Committee. Contact Skip Schiel at peace@fmcquaker.org
	6:30– 8:00pm	Drumming Circle (In-Person, Off Site). Contact Minga Claggett-Borne / Daniel Fitzmartin at stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org
	7:00– 9:00pm	New Story Group (Zoom). The topic for October is the many aspects of community. Come at 6:30 for fellowship. First timers are always welcome! To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 875 6881 1869 and passcode 101225 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Cornelia Parkes at new-story@fmcquaker.org
Tue 29	11:00am– 12:00pm	Gaza Sub-Committee (Zoom). Email Skip Schiel / Don Gianniny / Dinah Starr / Sarah Allen at gaza@fmcquaker.org for event information.

Tue 29	1:30– 2:30pm	Guided Meditation for Relaxation (Open Zoom). To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Jessica Ronalds at meditation@fmcquaker.org
Wed 30	8:30– 10:00am	Wednesday Morning Meeting for Worship (Parlor /Open Zoom). To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Jonathan Vogel-Borne / Sara Sue Pennell at midweek@fmcquaker.org
Fri 1	1:30– 2:30pm	Guided Meditation for Relaxation (Open Zoom). To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Jessica Ronalds at meditation@fmcquaker.org
Sat 2	6:00– 8:00pm	SciFi-Fantasy Reading Aloud (Zoom). To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 335 209 895 and passcode 398431 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Jonathan Gilbert / Betsy Roper at scififantasy@fmcquaker.org
	6:30– 8:30pm	Fundraiser for Palestinian Children (On-Site). Enjoy two sets of instrumental and vocal music in a range of styles by multiple musicians along with some sing-alongs. There will also be an information table about ways to help. Enjoy some light refreshments and conversation. \$25 donation suggested. All donations will go to charity. This event is being organized by Nancy Hewitt and sponsored by Peace and Social Justice Committee. Contact Nancy Hewitt at palestinekids@fmcquaker.org
Sun 3	2:00am	Daylight Saving Time Ends. Set your clocks back 1 hour.
	9:15– 10:15am	Forum (Parlor /Zoom). “Stories from the 2024 Bolivian Quaker Education Fund Study Tour” with Chris Clamp and Don Gianniny. Childcare is provided. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 873 2175 9327 and passcode 537370 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact George Campbell / Jan Nisenbaum at forum@fmcquaker.org
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	10:30– 11:45am	Family Worship for All Ages (Friends Room / Zoom). To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 836 6770 9699 and passcode 794870 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Chris Jorgenson / Holly Lapp at family-worship@fmcquaker.org
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Sun 3	1:15– 3:30pm	Meeting for Business in Worship (Friends Room / Open Zoom). Childcare is available upon request. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Blue Sky Group at blueskygroup@fmcquaker.org
	7:00– 8:30pm	“Relationship with the Divine” (Session 3 of 3 in the Adult Spiritual Education Fall Series) (Open Zoom). This session is appropriate for newcomers and old-timers. Come even if you have not attended the previous sessions. To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Susan Davies / Jan Nisenbaum at spiritualed@fmcquaker.org

SAVE THE DATE

Sun 11/10	12:15– 1:00pm	Community Lunch (Friends Room). Preceding the Musical Celebration of Mary Gilbert’s Songs at 1:15pm, a special lunch will be provided. This lunch and the musical celebration that follows are also an opportunity to help Mary celebrate her 83 rd birthday. Sponsored by Fellowship & Outreach Committee. To help with food quantity planning, contact Mary Gilbert at marysongs@fmcquaker.org .
Sun 11/10	1:15– 2:45pm	Musical Celebration of Mary Gilbert’s Songs (Friends Room / Open Zoom). All the songs that will be performed were composed by Mary. Mary will perform some of the songs herself and some will be performed by a small chorus. There will also be a bit of opportunity for all to sing along. The event will be recorded. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Holly Lapp at fellowship@fmcquaker.org
Tue 11/12	7:00– 8:00pm	Book Read Discussion of <i>Inherited Silence: Listening to the Land, Healing the Colonizer Mind</i> (Zoom). Author Louise Dunlap is an experienced teacher and activist who has worked in peace and justice issues in New England and California. <i>Inherited Silence</i> is an exploration of her own story and understanding of the impact of settler colonialism in Massachusetts (Wampanoag land) as well as for Napa California (Ohlone land) on both the Native peoples and colonial settlers. You are welcome to attend even if you have not read the book. Sponsored by Mass Peace Action and co-sponsored by FMC’s Peace & Social Justice and Friends for Racial Justice (FORJ) committees, as well as eight other local organizations. Registration is required here . Contact Suzanne Cooper at forj@fmcquaker.org
Sun 11/17	12:15– 1:00pm	Simple Lunch (Friends Room). A \$6-7 donation is requested to cover the cost of the vegan soup, salad and bread provided, but you are invited regardless of whether you can contribute money. Contact Tom Sander / David Smith / Alasdair Post-Quinn at simplelunch@fmcquaker.org
Sun 11/17	1:15– 3:00pm	Threshing Session (Friends Room / Open Zoom). Childcare is available upon request. To participate using Zoom, click this link or provide the Meeting ID: 783 475 1861 and Passcode: 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling # 1-646-558-8656. Contact Blue Sky Group at blueskygroup@fmcquaker.org
Wed 11/20	5:45– 6:45pm	Community Potluck (Friends Room). Join us for a potluck supper before our special Meeting for Worship to read seven memorial minutes and remember seven Friends. The kitchen will open at 5:00pm so you can do final preparations of your food or heat up items. Volunteers are needed both for setup and for clean up after worship ends. Contact Erin Bumgarner at ministry@fmcquaker.org with questions or to volunteer.

Wed 11/20 7:00—8:30pm [Memorial Minutes Meeting for Worship](#) (Friends Room / Open Zoom). All are invited to hear the memorial minutes proposed for [Hugh Barbour](#), [Elisabeth Cotten](#), [Russ de Burlo](#), [Joanie Griscom](#), [Everett Mendelsohn](#), [Will Watson](#) and [Marilee Wheeler](#) and to reflect on the lives of these seven Friends. Click the name to read the proposed minute. To participate using Zoom, [click this link](#) or provide the meeting ID 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on [Zoom.com](#), the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Erin Bumgarner at ministry@fmcquaker.org.

WIDER QUAKER WORLD

Tuesdays 8:30-9:00am [Prayer for Peace sponsored by the Friends World Committee for Consultation \(FWCC\) Europe and Middle East Section](#) (Zoom). Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [FWCC](#).

Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm [Meeting for Worship with Attention to Peace in Palestine and Israel](#) (Zoom). Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [American Friends Service Committee](#).

Fridays 12:00-1:00pm [Action Hour for a Cease-Fire Now](#) (Zoom). Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [American Friends Service Committee](#).

Sun 10/27 1:00-3:00pm [Ernest and Esther Weed Memorial Lecture: "Quakers and the Gay Rights Movement" with Brian Blackmore](#) (Off-site at Beacon Hill Friends House, 6 Beacon St., Boston / Zoom). Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [Beacon Hill Friends House](#)

Wed 10/30 6:30-7:30pm [FCNL Quaker Changemaker Event "Friends Witness and Action for our Democracy"](#) with Emily Provance and Diane Randall (Zoom). Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [Friends Committee on National Legislation](#).

Wed 10/30 7:00-7:30pm [Holding the Country in Worship](#) (In-Person, Framingham Friends Meeting, 841 Edmands Road, Framingham). Leading up to the upcoming national elections, all are invited to join others in holding our country in worship/prayer. The time of worship will be followed by a time for coffee and conversation. Sponsored by [Framingham Friends Meeting](#)

Wed 10/30 7:30-8:30pm [Midweek Experiment in Faithfulness: "Friends Tarot: Cards with Quaker Values" with Brent Walsh](#) (On-site at Beacon Hill Friends House / Zoom). Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [Beacon Hill Friends House](#).

Sat 11/2 12:00-1:00pm ["New England Yearly Meeting and the Indigenous Boarding Schools"](#) (Zoom). In this talk NEYM's Indigenous Boarding School Research Group will present a summary of their findings and outline their research process and challenges. This talk is part of the Friends Historical Association Annual Meeting which starts at 11:30am. Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [Friends Historical Association](#).

Sat 11/2 9:30am-2:30pm [Yielding to the Power of the Inward Seed—A Day of Extended Worship](#) (Off-Site at Providence Monthly Meeting, Providence, RI). Overnight hospitality on Friday night possible. Friends are welcome to come for the morning only, to stay for lunch, or to stay for the entire day. Bring a brown bag lunch. Free. Click [here](#) for details. Sponsored by [New England Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel](#).

Wed 11/6 7:30-8:30pm [Midweek Experiment in Faithfulness: "Coming Together for Continuing Revelation" with Wendy Cooler](#) (On-site at Beacon Hill Friends House / Zoom). Free. Register [here](#). Sponsored by [Beacon Hill Friends House](#).

Reminders

To see the up-to-date calendar of FMC events with full descriptions go to our website [calendar](#).

The deadline for the next FMC Weekly Calendar is Monday, October 28 at 11:59pm. This next issue will cover events taking place from **Friday, November 1 through Sunday, November 10 (one week)**. Please send your announcement to publications@fmcquaker.org.

To request an event (Zoom, on-site or hybrid), email scheduling@fmcquaker.org.

To request an FMC meeting on your Zoom account, please include the Zoom link.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Avison Fund Committee is now accepting proposals for the 2025 grant cycle. To learn more about these grants, please find electronic copies of the Request for Proposals (RFP) [here](#). Please tell your favorite child-centered organizations! **Proposals are due by 5:00pm on Tuesday, January 7, 2025.** The committee has found agreement with current trust-based giving. This year they will not require that applications need to be tied to a one-time project. Questions? Email avisonfundapps@gmail.com

Thank you, Cornelia Parkes! Cornelia recently stepped back from her longstanding work heading the FMC Publications Team. Our community has benefited enormously from her faithful work on our publications and keeping our website up to date. All of us on the Publications Team send our deepest thanks and gratitude to her for her guiding light. We will work hard to make you proud, Cornelia, and ask for patience from the FMC community while we do our best to continue Cornelia's efforts.

The **Material Aid and Advocacy Program (MAAP) Tag Sale** will take place at FMC on **Friday, November 15, (5:30-8:00pm) and Saturday, November 16, (9:00am-2:00pm) in the Friends Room.** The Tag Sale Fundraiser features affordably priced designer, vintage & contemporary clothing, shoes, accessories, jewelry, antiques, china, collectibles, linens, and fabric. 100% of the proceeds of the sale support MAAP's work of providing direct support to, and organizing alongside, unhoused community members. For more information go to MAAP's website maapma.org/tag-sale

The **First Day School Children's Art Show** will be on display in the Friends Room through November 17th. The theme is: "Living Things...or...Anything You Want." Click [here](#) to take a virtual tour of the exhibit.

The **Winter Potluck Art Show** deadline will be Sunday, November 17th. The theme will be: "That for which we are Thankful." Read more [here](#). All work submitted should be ready to hang. We try to accommodate at least two submissions per person and more if space allows. Questions? Contact George Campbell at exhibits@fmcquaker.org

Lauren Mawe (FMC's Staff and Administrative Manager) had a baby boy Jaden Micah Jeremy weighing eight pounds and six ounces on Saturday, September 14th. All are doing well. If you'd like to provide a meal for Lauren and her family, you can learn contact Minga Claggett-Borne at mealtrain@fmcquaker.org. Lauren's parental leave will end on March 5, 2025. During her leave, send Programmatic/Staffing Inquiries to supervisory@fmcquaker.org

Are you seeking to form deeper connections with others at FMC? How about gathering in a small group to focus on a topic or activity/hobby of special interest? I want to help facilitate bringing your group together. Please contact me with a focus or activity that you want to gather around. I will help facilitate connecting you like-spirited folks to decide on the details (time, place, frequency, virtual, hybrid, etc.) Contact me, Alberta Guise, at smallgroups@fmcquaker.org. Sponsored by the Adult Spiritual Education Working Group.

We gratefully accept donations [on-line here](#).

[Click this link](#) to see additional community announcements. Scroll down the right-hand column.

PERSONAL NEWS

Longtime FMC member Patty Huff died on October 23, 2024.

Longtime FMC member Sarah Luhrs Barnett died October 3, 2024. Click [here](#) to read her obituary. A Celebration of Life for her and her husband Guy (Octo) Barnett (who was also a longtime FMC member) who died in 2020 will take place on Sunday, November 24 at 4:00pm at First Unitarian Universalist Society, 1326 Washington St, Newton.

Marina (Minna) Rothman has written a Substack blog about her Murmuration tapestry. Click [here](#) to read the entry which talks about this tapestry in the context of her life experiences. There is no need to subscribe or to donate (although the donations to the project are always welcome) in order to read.

You can read the **October 20th issue of Blue Sky Bits** [here](#). These short publications are a project of the Blue Sky Group. Each issue features info about community members, photos from recent events, short articles, and cartoons—including requests for captions and captions submitted. [Click here](#) to access back issues and see an index to help you find items of special interest to you.

SaraSue Pennell was interviewed by the LexLocal TV station about her exhibition of self-portraits (A Life in Images) at the Lexington Arts and Crafts Society (LexART) that closed on October 6, 2024. SaraSue is a nationally acclaimed pastel artist, and she has created a self-portrait annually since the age of 18. She is currently 93. SaraSue is featured at about minute 21 of [this video](#). Click [here](#) to see the LexART notice for the event.

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<p>To publish an announcement, email: publications@fmcquaker.org To contact the Pastoral Care Team, use: pastoralcare@fmcquaker.org To request the Weekly Calendar by email or to join the FMC community listserve, use: office@fmcquaker.org To obtain a copy of the FMC Directory, go to https://community.fmcquaker.org/ or email publications@fmcquaker.org We invite newcomers to introduce themselves and indicate their interests by filling out the Newcomers Card here.</p>		