



Weekly Calendar

Friends Meeting at Cambridge

July 11 through July 27, 2025 (two weeks)

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

WE ARE HIRING!

Friends Meeting at Cambridge is **seeking a 35-hour/week Facilities Manager** to care for our historic buildings and grounds. The role includes maintenance, coordination with staff and contractors, and being a welcoming part of our community. The position includes on-site housing and stipend. Read the full job description [here](#).

To apply, please send a resume and a brief cover letter explaining your interest in the position to facilitiesjobsearch@fmcquaker.org. Position open until filled.

Please share with those who may be interested!

EVENT

Sat 12	4:00– 5:00pm	Community Safety and Care Update Discussion (Zoom). For those that would like to discuss the most recent “Community Safety and Facilities Update” shared by email on 7/10 and 7/11, please join this Zoom event. Staff & Administrative Manager Lauren Mawe will be available to listen and answer questions. To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 813 0366 3058 and passcode 683151 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. For more information, please email Lauren Mawe at adminmanager@fmcquaker.org
	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
Sun 13	10:30– 11:30am	Sunday Morning Meeting for Worship (Meetinghouse / 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 Minga Claggett-Borne at careofworship@fmcquaker.org
	10:30– 11:45am	Summer Childcare (FDS Rooms / Outside, weather permitting). Children join their families for the first 15 minutes of Meeting for Worship, and then follow the First Day School banner to their own childcare activities at 10:45am. Contact Zoe Zurad at youthministries@fmcquaker.org
	11:45am– 12:15pm	Fellowship with Refreshments (On-Site). Enjoy conversation with refreshments served either in the Friends Room (mask optional) or outdoors (weather permitting). Contact Holly Lapp / Amanda Marcus / Caren Seagraves / Mike Wyson at refreshments@fmcquaker.org

Sun 13	12:00– 12:30pm	Afterthoughts (Parlor / Zoom). We will try to provide childcare, if you make a request in advance to childcarerequest@fmcquaker.org . Most Sundays, there is an informal time for conversation on this Zoom link after the end of Afterthoughts. 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	Summer Potluck Art Show Reception (Friends Room). Artists with submissions in the Summer Potluck Art Show focused on the theme “Strength in Community” will be available to talk about their artwork and to answer questions. Finger food will be available during the event. Contact George Campbell at exhibits@fmcquaker.org
Mon 14	6:30– 8:00pm	Stone of Hope Drumming Circle (Meetinghouse / Grounds). Weather permitting, we will meet outside on the grounds adjacent to the Meetinghouse. Otherwise, Drumming Circle will meet in the Meetinghouse. Contact Minga Claggett-Borne / Dan Fitzmartin at stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org
	7:00– 8:00pm Worship After 8:00pm– Conversation	Meeting for Worship with Yani & Leo followed by Conversation (Open Zoom). Yani and Leo welcome all those who wish to join them in a Meeting for Worship from 7-8pm followed by conversation. Yani has her long-awaited immigration interview on Wednesday, July 16. 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 / Lili Schwan-Rosenwald at pastorcare@fmcquaker.org
Tue 15	7:00– 8:00pm	Gaza Sub-Committee (Zoom). Email Skip Schiel / Don Gianniny / Dinah Starr / Sarah Allen at gaza@fmcquaker.org for event information.
	5:00– 6:30pm	Prayer Circle (Zoom). Send requests for prayers or praise to prayers@fmcquaker.org or join us. To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 827 6014 6070 and passcode 793260 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Cornelia Parkes at prayers@fmcquaker.org
Wed 16	6:45– 9:00pm	Ministry & Counsel Committee (M&C) (Zoom). Email Erin Bumgarner / Betsy Roper at ministry@fmcquaker.org for meeting information.
	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
Thu 17	7:00– 9:00pm	Self-Study Quakerism Discussion Group (Friends Room). Join us as we discuss introductory Quakerism topics of interest to those in this small group. Contact Minga Claggett-Borne at quakerism@fmcquaker.org to RSVP and get a reading list.
	3:00– 5:00pm	Protest Sign Making (Friends Room). Join us to make signs for the Good Trouble Demonstrations on 7/17. Bring your clever ideas or join in on ours! Art supplies welcomed or use ours. Folks will be walking over to the Cambridge Common for the 5:30 pm demo. Contact Daria Casinelli / Mary Spitzer at peace@fmcquaker.org
Fri 18	7:00– 8:00pm	Climate Action Meeting (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 Sarah Allen / Daniel Fitzmartin at climateaction@fmcquaker.org
	9:00– 11:00am	Blue Sky Group (Parlor / Zoom). All are invited to attend Blue Sky Group meetings. Email Jennifer Hogue at blueskygroup@fmcquaker.org for meeting information.

Sun 20	10:30– 11:30am	Sunday Morning Meeting for Worship (Meetinghouse / 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 Tom Sander at careofworship@fmcquaker.org
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	10:45– 11:45am	Meeting for Worship Outside Raytheon (In-Person, Off Site). Limited carpools leave FMC at 10:45am. Contact John Bach at bolder@fmcquaker.org
	11:45am– 12:15pm	Fellowship with Refreshments (On-Site). Enjoy conversation with refreshments served either in the Friends Room (mask optional) or outdoors (weather permitting). Contact Holly Lapp / Amanda Marcus / Caren Seagraves / Mike Wyson at refreshments@fmcquaker.org
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	12:15– 1:30pm	Extended 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
	4:45– 5:45pm	Sunday Evening Meeting for Worship (Parlor). All are welcome. Contact Walker Bristol / MaryGrace Menner at yafs@fmcquaker.org
	6:00– 8:00pm	Young Adult Friends (YAF) Potluck (Library / Parlor). All those 18-35ish are invited to this potluck dinner at FMC. Bring food to share if you would like, but please join us even if you do not bring a dish. Contact Walker Bristol / MaryGrace Menner at yafs@fmcquaker.org
Mon 21	6:30– 8:00pm	Stone of Hope Drumming Circle (Meetinghouse / Grounds). Weather permitting, we will meet outside on the grounds adjacent to the Meetinghouse. Otherwise, Drumming Circle will meet in the Meetinghouse. Contact Minga Claggett-Borne / Dan Fitzmartin at stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org
	7:00– 8:30pm	Quaker Eldering Practice Group (Zoom). We will be reading out loud and discussing “Engaging Across Differences – Minute 1” from Emily Provance's Testimony on Community, accompanying material to her 2025 Swarthmore Lecture . To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 890 9875 0878 and passcode 732166 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Sarah Allen / Cornelia Parkes at eldering@fmcquaker.org
Tue 22	7:00– 9:00pm	Trustees Committee (Zoom). Email Mark Webster / David White at trustees@fmcquaker.org for meeting information.
	7:00– 9:00pm	Peace & Social Justice Committee (P&SJ) (Zoom). Email Michael Carey / Don Gianniny at peace@fmcquaker.org for meeting information.

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SAVE THE DATE

Mon 28	7:00– 9:00pm	New Story Group (Zoom). In July we will watch a video of Daniel Schmachtenberger's Keynote to QEW (Quaker Earthcare Witness) Spring Gathering 2024: "A Civilizational Rite of Passage." Relax and bring your ponderings. Come at 6:30pm 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 newstory@fmcquaker.org
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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
Sat 7/12	12:00– 4:00pm	Beacon Hill Friends House Summer Cookout 2025 (Off-Site at 8 Chestnut Street, Boston, MA). Join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fun with the BHFH community. Bring a friend, meet our residents, catch up with familiar faces—and maybe challenge someone to a game of cornhole! Everyone connected to BHFH is welcome: Friends, family, board members, alumni, neighbors, and curious newcomers. Potluck-friendly: non-refrigerated side dishes, desserts, and snacks are welcomed. Free. RSVPs appreciated here but not required. Sponsored by Beacon Hill Friends House .
Mon 7/14	8:00– 9:00pm	Meeting for Worship for Newcomers and Seekers (Zoom). This monthly program on 2 nd Mondays introduces Newcomers to Quaker worship practices as well as allows them to ask questions and reflect on their experiences as they flow through their journey in worship spaces with Friends from the seasoned to the seeking. Free. Register here . Sponsored by Friends General Conference .
Sat 7/19	1:30– 3:30pm	Facing Our Biodiversity – Climate Crisis with Bill Calahan (Zoom). Join Bill Calahan, an ecopsychologist and dedicated advocate for the natural world, for a special session designed to cultivate a deeper connection with all life. Bill will begin by sharing about the global biodiversity-climate crisis as a major moral crisis of our time. He will then introduce a contemplative practice that can open us to a humble, at times ecstatic sense of kinship with local nature, which can extend to all life and the Cosmos. Participants will be guided outdoors into slow walking and empathic gazing. We will return for a sharing circle, followed by discussion. This practice can be woven into nurturing our own yards and neighborhood landscapes as wild communities, inspiring us for further action in service to Life. Free. Register here . Sponsored by Quaker Earthcare Witness .
Tue 7/22	7:00– 8:30pm	Monthly Check-In for Immigration Justice Work among Friends (Zoom). Many of us who have been active in the work towards immigration justice are feeling the weight of immigration policies that seem inhumane and arbitrary, and few of us can doubt that an already difficult situation is soon going to become much, much worse. If you are among the New England Quakers who are committed to assisting immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers among us, whether as part of a monthly meeting committee, a recognized ministry, or an individual leading, you are invited to join us for a monthly Zoom check in on 4 th Tuesdays. Free. Register here . Email immigrationjustice@neym.org to be added to the on-going listserve for these calls. Sponsored by New England Yearly Meeting .

Thu 7/24	7:00pm	Book Talk with Dr. Harold D. (Hal) Weaver, Jr. (Zoom). QuakerBooks of Friends General Conference cordially invites you to attend a book talk with Dr. Harold D. (Hal) Weaver, Jr., co-editor of Black Fire: African American Quakers on Spirituality and Human Rights . Join Hal, in conversation with FGC's Rashid Darden, as we discuss the making of this seminal book and discuss its recent audio release. Learn more about Hal and his ministry at The BlackQuaker Project . Free. Register here . Sponsored by Quaker Books and Friends General Conference .
Tues 7/29	8:00pm	A Peculiar Legacy Book Talk with Rashid Darden (Zoom). Rashid Darden, a staff member at Friends General Conference, has published a novel called <i>A Peculiar Legacy</i> ! It is the story of a Black community in Washington, DC, that is dealing with the loss of one of their own while maintaining their own unique worship traditions. Join host Betsy Bramon of Friends Meeting of Washington in conversation with Rashid about the origins, writing, and implications of this novel. Spoiler Warning: We will be discussing key plot points, so please read the book before you attend unless you enjoy spoilers! Purchase the novel here . Free. Register here . Sponsored by Friends General Conference .
Fri 8/1— Wed 8/6	12:30— 3:00pm	Extended Worship Opportunity (Off-Site at UMass, Amherst, MA). Join an extended worship opportunity on the first day of our Yearly Meeting Sessions. This is an optional offering on the campus of UMass-Amherst, but not officially part of Yearly Meeting Sessions. Location to be announced. Sponsored by New England Yearly Meeting .
Priority housing registration deadline 7/14		New England Yearly Meeting Sessions (Off-Site at University of Massachusetts in Amherst, MA / Zoom). Theme: "Streams in the Desert." Quakers of all ages from all over New England will gather for fun and learning and business. There will be on-site programming for children, youth, and young adults as well as adults. Part-time attendance okay. Many from FMC will be attending in person and on Zoom. Car-pooling may be able to be arranged. Click here to learn more and register. Priority housing registration ends July 14. Pay-as-led. Cancellation fees apply. Sponsored by New England Yearly Meeting .

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, July 21 at 11:59pm. This next issue will cover events taking place from **Friday, July 25 through Sunday, August 17 (three weeks)**. 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

Volunteers are especially needed on Sundays in August to help with microphone spacing, greeting and refreshments. Training provided. Contact Holly Lapp at fellowship@fmcquaker.org to volunteer.

Registration is open for New England Yearly Meeting Sessions that take place from August 1-6 on the campus of University of Massachusetts in Amherst, MA. This year's theme is "Streams in the Desert." [Click here](#) to learn more and register. **Early registration ends and the deadline for priority housing is July 14.** Part-time attendance ok. Pay-as-led. Cancellation fees apply. Sponsored by [New England Yearly Meeting](#).

Masking is now optional for almost all FMC events including Forum, Meeting for Worship, and Afterthoughts. Read more [here](#). Small groups (of under 25 people) and FMC weddings/memorials (at the request of the family) can decide on stricter masking requirements, but for any public events should notify the community in advance.

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

PERSONAL NEWS

Virginia Swain is happy to report that she has received a \$10,000 grant from the Legacy Gift Committee of New England Yearly Meeting. These monies come from the NEYM Witness and Ministry Fund to support Virginia's direct ministry, providing the training and disseminating the skills of the Quaker Reconciliation Leadership Program to build trust and revitalize monthly meetings.

Mike Wyson who you'll often see helping with Simple Lunches and refreshments at FMC, is featured in a recent issue of the Beacon Hill Friends House Newsletter because he also volunteers there. Click [here](#) to learn more about Mike.

Doane Perry, longtime member of Friends Meeting at Cambridge, died on April 9, 2025, at the age of 82. He is survived by his wife and FMC member Karen Carmean. Click [here](#) to read his obituary. A remembrance written by his son and FMC member Curt Perry and three essays written by Doane from the Yale University 25th, 50th and 60th reunion books can be found [here](#). His Memorial Meeting for Worship will take place at FMC on Saturday, September 20th at 2:00pm followed by an on-site reception.

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 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](#).