



Weekly Calendar

Friends Meeting at Cambridge

July 24 through August 9, 2026 (two weeks)

IMPORTANT: NEW SCHEDULE FOR 4th SUNDAYS including July 26th (9:30am & 11am worship)

On all 4th Sundays (including July 26) FMC will hold two morning Meetings for Worship:

9:30am will be Hybrid Worship (Meetinghouse + Open Zoom).

11:00am will be Low-Tech Worship (Meetinghouse). No DTEN.

During both meetings, children are invited to join the first 15 minutes of worship and then gather for Summer Childcare.

There will be joint refreshments between the two meetings, but **no Forum or Afterthoughts.**

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

EVENT

Click [here](#) for more information about all events listed that have event names that are bold but not underlined.

Sat 7/25	11:00– 1:00pm	Library Committee (Zoom). Contact Edward Fleming at library@fmcquaker.org for event information.
	6:00– 8:00pm	SciFi-Fantasy Reading Aloud (Zoom). All are welcome. 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 7/26	9:00– 9:25am	◆ What would you do in the unlikely event that ICE comes to FMC on a Sunday? (Meetinghouse). Who does what and who says what if ICE comes searching for someone? Join a 25-minute practice run through at 9am sharp, Sunday 7/26 before our first Meeting for Worship, at the front door of the Meetinghouse. Who's invited? Anyone with a keen interest. We're focusing on folks who regularly have care of Sunday activities to feel informed. Lauren, Christine S, Brian R, and Minga will go over the proposed protocol in the rare case that ICE shows up. (For those who can't make it on Sunday 7/26, another similar session will be held before worship from 10-10:25am on Sunday 8/9.) Questions? Ask us. RSVP to Minga or Lauren at prepared@fmcquaker.org
	9:30– 10:30am	◆ 4th Sunday 9:30 am Hybrid 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 Christel Jorgenson at careofworship@fmcquaker.org

Sun 7/26	9:30– 10:45am	4th Sunday Summer Childcare during 9:30am Meeting for Worship (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 9:45am. Updates about specific activities that are planned for a particular Sunday are sent out on the FMC Family WhatsApp. To sign up for the FMC Family WhatsApp and to ask questions about childcare, please contact Alison Wiggins at alison@fmcquaker.org .
	10:30– 11:00am	4th Sunday Fellowship with Refreshments (On-Site). Contact Holly Lapp / Amanda Marcus / Caren Seagraves / Mike Wyson at refreshments@fmcquaker.org
	11:00am– 12:00pm	◆ 4th Sunday 11:00am Low-Tech Morning Meeting for Worship (Meetinghouse). Contact Jessica Ronalds at careofworship@fmcquaker.org
	11:00am– 12:15pm	4th Sunday Summer Childcare during 9:30am Meeting for Worship (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 11:15am. Updates about specific activities that are planned for a particular Sunday are sent out on the FMC Family WhatsApp. To sign up for the FMC Family WhatsApp and to ask questions about childcare, please contact Alison Wiggins at alison@fmcquaker.org .
	12:15– 1:30pm	◆ Extended Simple Lunch (Friends Rm). 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 at simplelunch@fmcquaker.org
Mon 7/27	7:00– 9:00pm	◆ New Story Group (Zoom). Today we'll watch and discuss Fantastic Fungi - a widely-acclaimed film "to discover the magic beneath us" (part 1), and also Plants Have Personalities. We're Only Learning to See It which is a conversation with Merlin Sheldrake & Zoë Schlanger (part 1) done at the 2025 Harvard Divinity School conference: "Thinking with Plants and Fungi: Celebrating the voices of the more-than-human world." Come at 6:30pm for fellowship. First timers are always welcome! Click here to learn more about the group, check out resources and read back issues of the New Story newsletter. 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 7/28	7:00– 9:00pm	Peace & Social Justice Committee (P&SJ) (Zoom). To participate, click this link or provide the meeting ID 889 3936 8907 and passcode 579603 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Michael Carey at peace@fmcquaker.org
Wed 7/29	8:30– 10:00am	Wednesday Morning Meeting for Worship (Parlor / Open Zoom). Drop-in. Come when you can; leave when you need to. 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
Sun 8/2	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 Jan Nisenbaum at careofworship@fmcquaker.org

Sun 8/2	10:30am– 12:00pm	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. Updates about specific activities that are planned for a particular Sunday are sent out on the FMC Family WhatsApp. To sign up for the FMC Family WhatsApp and to ask questions about childcare, please contact Alison Wiggins at alison@fmcquaker.org .
	11:45am– 12:15pm	Fellowship with Refreshments (On-Site). Enjoy conversation with refreshments served in the Friends Room or outside, weather permitting. Contact Holly Lapp / Amanda Marcus / Caren Seagraves / Mike Wyson at refreshments@fmcquaker.org
	12:00– 12:30pm	Afterthoughts (Parlor / Zoom). Most Sundays, there is an informal time for conversation on this Zoom link after the end of Afterthoughts. We will try to provide childcare if you make a request in advance to childcarerequest@fmcquaker.org . 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 Jan Nisenbaum at afterthoughts@fmcquaker.org
Tue 8/4	9:00– 10:30am	Ad Hoc Adult Spiritual Education Working Group (Zoom). Email Jennifer Hogue at spiritualed@fmcquaker.org for event information.
	7:00– 8:30pm	Gaza Sub-Committee (Zoom). Email Skip Schiel / Don Gianniny / Dinah Starr / Sarah Allen at gaza@fmcquaker.org for event information.
Wed 8/5	8:30– 10:00am	Wednesday Morning Meeting for Worship (Parlor / Open Zoom). Drop-in. Come when you can; leave when you need to. 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
	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 851 8022 6020 and passcode 608758 (if requested) on Zoom.com , the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Cornelia Parkes at prayers@fmcquaker.org
	6:30– 8:00pm	Stone of Hope Drumming Circle (Meetinghouse). Contact Minga Claggett-Borne / Dan Fitzmartin at stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org
Thu 8/6	6:00– 8:30pm	◆ Hiroshima Day Commemoration (Friends Rm / Open Zoom). Join Friends on Hiroshima Day, August 6th, in our tradition of commemorating the dropping of two atomic bombs on the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We will gather for a community reading of Thomas Merton's "Original Child Bomb," and then proceed to the Charles River to float origami cranes, as is done in Hiroshima and throughout the world. We start the reading at 6:00pm, proceeding to the river at 7:00pm. 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. Please share this meditation and witness for a future uncursed by nuclear weapons and the grief they bring. The prose poem can be found here . Contact John Bach at bolder@fmcquaker.org .
	7:00– 8:30pm	◆ Quaker Eldering Practice Group (Zoom). At this meeting, the group will discuss what Friends mean when we talk about gospel order. All are welcome. 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

Sat 8/8	2:00– 3:00pm followed by a reception	◆ Arthur E. Pennell Memorial Meeting for Worship (Meetinghouse). Art began attending FMC regularly as a child with his parents Arthur J. and SaraSue Pennell. He became an adult member in 1964 at the age of 25. Art died on June 15, 2026, at the age of 68. After the Memorial Meeting for Worship a reception will follow. You are invited to contribute treats for the reception and/or volunteer to help the Memorial Committee support this meeting for worship and reception. Contact Sam Duncan / Toni Lydecker at memorials@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
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SAVE THE DATE

Thu 8/13	3:00– 4:30pm	Special New Story Group (Zoom). Join us as we watch two thought-provoking videos [1. Dialogue with Zoë Schlanger on <i>The Light Eaters</i> and 2. <i>Fantastic Fungi</i> (Part 2)] to provide optional but stimulating background for our New Story program on Monday, 8/31. At any time, you can also read The Light Eaters: An interview with author Zoë Schlanger , by Jon Letman of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, 2025. 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
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Thu 8/13	7:00— 8:00pm	◆ Climate Action Meeting (Open Zoom). At the August meeting, we'll talk about the "Make Polluters Pay" Campaign and discern whether we want to bring this to the wider meeting. We'll also hear about a potential geothermal option for the Friends Center. 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
Sun 8/16	9:15— 10:15am	◆ Adult Spiritual Education Summer Conversation 3 – Worship (Parlor/ Zoom). What is Your Experience of Worship? Alberta Guise and Jan Nisenbaum will facilitate a conversation of shared reflections on your worship experience. What helps you center in worship? What gets in the way? When do you find worship to be spiritually nurturing? What may detract from your experience of worship? We will try to provide childcare if you make a request in advance to childcarerequest@fmcquaker.org. 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 Alberta Guise / Jan Nisenbaum at spiritualed@fmcquaker.org
Sun 8/16	4:45— 5:45pm	◆ Sunday Evening Meeting for Worship (Parlor). All are welcome. Contact Walker Bristol / MaryGrace Menner at yafs@fmcquaker.org
Sun 8/16	6:00— 8:00pm	◆ Young Adult Friends (YAF) Potluck (Parlor / Library). 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 8/24	7:00— 9:00pm	◆ Singing Resistance Community Sing (Meetinghouse). Everyone is invited to this special community sing, even if you are a beginner singer. Around the country the resistance is building unity and power by raising our voices together in song. Join fellow singers and activists in learning some of the newest movement songs. Together we'll sing from the heart as we re-energize for the long path ahead. We'll be singing songs for immigrant rights, to protect democracy, for hope and love, and we'll be including some union songs for those interested in joining BVOCAL in this year's Labor Day Parade. This event will be collaboratively led by BVOCAL (Boston Voices of Community and Labor) & Boston Area Singing Circles. Sponsored by the Friends for Racial Justice Committee. Contact Minga Claggett-Borne at forj@fmcquaker.org
Thu 8/27	7:00— 8:00pm	◆ Newcomers & Seekers Exploring Together (Parlor / Open Zoom). Join us for a hybrid gathering with long-time Friends from our community as well as others newer to the meeting. Feel free to stay until 8:30pm if you wish to continue the conversation. Each month we try to answer your questions and this month we'll discuss the spiritual grounding for Quaker political work and activism. Feel free to attend even if you just want to listen. 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 Sarah Allen / Daniel Fitzmartin at newcomers@fmcquaker.org
Sat 8/29	5:00— 10:00pm	◆ Farewell Party for Jonathan and Minga (On-Site). Potluck, worship and singing. More details to come about this drop-in event. RSVP requested to rsvp@thebornes.org

Sun 8/30	12:15– 1:30pm	◆ Extended Simple Lunch (Friends Rm). 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 at simplelunch@fmcquaker.org
Mon 8/31	7:00– 9:00pm	◆ New Story Group (Zoom). On 8/31 we'll watch and discuss New Science of Plants - Interview with Zoë Schlanger and Plants Have Personalities. We're Only Learning to See It -- Conversation with Merlin Sheldrake & Zoë Schlanger (part 2). Come at 6:30pm for fellowship. First timers are always welcome! Click here to learn more about the group, check out resources and read back issues of the New Story newsletter. 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
Fri 9/4- Mon 9/7		◆ Young Adult Friends (YAF) (18-35ish) Retreat (Off-Site at Willard Brook State Forest near Townsend, MA). Young adults are invited to join the second annual FMC YAF Retreat! This is a yurt/tent camping retreat for up to 18 people over Labor Day weekend. For more information and to register interest, please fill out the registration Google form . Registration will be first come first serve, and open until August 7th. Free. Food, campsite and gas costs for those that carpool is provided. Contact Walker Bristol / MaryGrace Menner at yafs@fmcquaker.org
Sat 9/12	2:00– 3:00pm followed by a reception	◆ Gayle Roby Memorial Meeting for Worship followed by a reception (Meetinghouse / Open Zoom). Gayle died on May 22, 2026, at the age of 78. Click here to read her memorial. 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 Sam Duncan / Toni Lydecker at memorials@fmcquaker.org

WIDER QUAKER WORLD

[Beacon Hill Friends House](#) is home to a 22-adult residential community rooted in Quaker values — built around shared meals, shared responsibility, and real, practical transformation. It has openings now and also beginning on September 1. [Click here](#) to learn more, get cost info and get an application.

Daily	12:00– 1:00pm	International Meeting for Worship (Zoom). Join Friends around the world for a one-hour international Meeting for Worship every day at noon. Let us join together in holding in the Light the situation in Ukraine, the decision makers, the soldiers, the citizens, all the people whose lives are in danger and already disrupted by fear. Details here . Free. Sponsored by Friends House Moscow .
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	7:30– 8:30pm	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 Palestine (Zoom). Free. Register here . Sponsored by American Friends Service Committee .

Sat 7/25	12:00– 3:00pm	Summer Cookout at Beacon Hill Friends House (Off-Site at 6-8 Chestnut Ave., Boston). Everyone connected to BHFH is welcome: Friends, family, board members, alumni, neighbors, and curious newcomers. RSVPs are appreciated but not required. This is a potluck-friendly gathering (non-refrigerated side dishes, desserts, and snacks are welcome but not required). Free. RSVP here . Sponsored by Beacon Hill Friends House .
Thu 7/30	1:00– 2:30pm	Earthcare Day of Action Webinar (Zoom). On Saturday September 19, Quaker Earthcare Witness is hosting our first Earthcare Day of Action , an invitation for Quaker meetings, churches, schools, worship groups, and surrounding communities to gather for a day of intentional Earthcare. Work done as prayer, celebration, community resiliency, and witness. Please join us on July 30th to learn more about our vision for the Earthcare Day of Action and how you or your meeting can get involved! QEW staff will: (1) Brainstorm actions that your meeting can take (2) Connect you with local initiatives involving Earthcare and (3) Provide flyers and sample graphics to support your outreach. Pay-as-led. Register here . Sponsored by Quaker Earthcare Witness .
Fri 7/31	12:30– 4:00pm	Opportunity for Extended Worship (On-Site at Mt. Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA before NEYM Sessions begin). You do not need to be registered for Sessions to attend! Since the extended worship, however, is such a valuable way to prepare for yearly meeting sessions, all are encouraged to come to both. The worship will be in the Great Room in the Community Center. You can park in any lot. The one near the Willits-Hallowell Conference Center will be closest to the worship location. Click here to see a map. You can bring your own lunch, or buy lunch in the cafeteria, which is in the same building. Lunch is \$14.00 and the cafeteria is open from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. Here's the schedule: 12:00-12:25pm Arrive and Sign In. 12:30pm Worship Begins. 3:00pm Worship Closes and Short Stretch Break. 3:15-4:00 pm . Reflections on the Worship. If you arrive after 12:30pm, please enter quietly. Free. Sponsored by New England Yearly Meeting .
Fri 7/31 – Tue 8/4		New England Yearly Meeting Annual Sessions (Off-Site at Mt. Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA and online). Part-time attendance okay. Get more information here . Pay-as-led. Register here . Early Registration closed July 13. Friends who register after this date will need confirmation from the Registrar, based on availability. Friends may still register as a commuter. You may also register to attend on Zoom at any time. Sponsored by New England Yearly Meeting .
Thu 8/6	7:00– 8:30pm	Why Should I Talk to My Neighbor? A Bible Study of 1 Corinthians 12 (On-Site in San Antonio, TX / Zoom). This is the first in a series of ten hybrid events in August co-sponsored by San Antonio Friends Meeting that explores perspectives and strategies—some faith-based, some secular—that can help us build robust communities across deep social fractures. Click here to read more. Free. Register for Zoom here .
Mon 8/10	8:00– 9:00pm	Meeting for Worship for Newcomers and Seekers (Zoom). This monthly program on 2nd 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 .
Mon 8/10	8:00– 9:30pm EDT	Why Should I Talk to My Neighbor? A Conversation with Michael Mather (On-Site in San Antonio, TX / Zoom). Mike Mather is a Methodist pastor at the First United Methodist Church of Boulder. His book, Having Nothing, Possessing Everything: Finding Abundant Communities in Unexpected Places , portrays the experience of a local church that decided to identify and support the natural gifts of the people around it, whether they came to worship or not. The tools and strategies we'll discuss are relevant to both faith-based and secular audiences. Free. Register for this Zoom

event [here](#) .

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING BUILDING MAINTENANCE WORK AT FMC STARTING WEEKDAYS ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

Starting on Wednesday, July 29th, there will be a crew onsite at FMC doing this work which will entail removing several courses of brick along the parking lot side of the Meetinghouse, removing the end of the accessible ramp, and digging out around the base of the building before installing flashing and resetting everything.

How this potentially impacts you:

- Parking at the Meetinghouse will be limited during the workweek as the crew will need at least two parking spots for their trucks and equipment.
- The work will be quite noisy, especially in those first few days when the most demolition needs to be done.
- There may be work crew members coming and going through the building as they need.
- The parking lot side accessible ramp will not be usable throughout the duration of the work.

The work is expected to take place during the workweek from 7:00am to 4:00pm for up to 10 business days, functionally two weeks, though we could see delays based on inclement weather and other unforeseen circumstances.

MAAP is planning to stay open throughout the duration of the work

Dee Moore, FMC Facilities Manager, will be on-site throughout the duration of the work as the point of contact and if you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to reach out at facilities@fmcquaker.org

NEW: A 12-Page Guide to FMC

We have now created a PDF Guide to FMC that has sections on better understanding Quakerism, Ways to get more involved at FMC, Decision-Making/Budget at FMC and a Glossary of key terms you might hear at FMC. We've gotten very encouraging feedback from newcomers and old-timers. While primarily developed for those newer to FMC we suspect it is useful even to old-timers at FMC. If you would like a copy, click [here](#) and then download the file. Corrections/suggestions welcomed at userguide@fmcquaker.org

Weekly Sunday Forums (hybrid) from 9:15-10:15am will resume Sunday 9/13 (the Sunday after Labor Day.)

Volunteers are welcome to help regularly or intermittently with summer childcare activities and/or First Day School programming during the school year (September 2026-June 2027). All volunteers working with children at FMC must undergo child safety screening and will always work with at least one other volunteer or staff member. Contact Alison Wiggins at alison@fmcquaker.org to learn more.

New volunteers are needed for the Tech Team. This team helps facilitate many FMC hybrid events that take place on-site at FMC and on Zoom simultaneously and some Zoom only events. Are you willing and able to help out at least once a month (with flexible scheduling) to make a hybrid event possible? Comprehensive one-on-one training and shadowing provided. Please consider becoming part of this important community ministry. Contact Holly Lapp at techteam@fmcquaker.org

Sign up [here](#) to get the New England Yearly Meeting monthly newsletter delivered to your inbox. The newsletter contains interesting articles Quaker topics, requests, and info about upcoming events. See the latest and past newsletters [here](#).

We gratefully accept donations [on-line here](#). Contact fundraising@fmcquaker.org with questions.

PERSONAL NEWS

FMC member **Arthur E Pennell** died on June 15, 2026, at age 68. A Memorial Meeting for Worship to celebrate Art's life will take place in the Meetinghouse on **Saturday, August 8 from 2-3pm** followed by a reception.

FMC member **Gayle Roby** died on May 22, 2026, at age 78. A hybrid Memorial Meeting for Worship to celebrate Gayle's life will take place on **Saturday, September 12 from 2-3pm** followed by a reception. Click [here](#) to read Gayle's obituary.

Skip Schiel shared that *The Sun* magazine used one of his Palestine photos in their [July 2026 issue](#). Much of this issue relates to Palestine-Israel. His photo appears atop the interview entitled "*To Remain: Raja Shehadeh on Living through Destruction in Palestine*". Skip encourages us to have a look and consider sharing this issue widely.

Marina Rothman will be giving a talk entitled "The Hidden Gifts of Change" at the Damascus Fiber Arts School on Saturday, August 15 at 1pm EDT on Zoom. The talk will be recorded for later viewing. Cost: \$10. For more information and registration [click here](#).

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, 8/3 at 11:59pm. This next issue will cover events taking place from Friday, August 7 through Sunday, August 23, 2026 (two 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.

Friends Meeting at Cambridge

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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](#).