

Weekly Calendar

Friends Meeting at Cambridge

November 13 through November 29, 2026 (two weeks)

IMPORTANT: SCHEDULE FOR 4th SUNDAYS including November 22nd (9:30am & 11am worship)

On all 4th Sundays (including November 22) 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 the 9:30am Meeting for Worship, childcare will be provided. During the 11:00am Meeting for Worship, there will be First Day School for children.

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!

WE ARE HIRING

Childcare Provider Job Opening: Friends Meeting at Cambridge is seeking Childcare Providers to help us welcome and care for our children on Sunday mornings. Please see the **job description** posted on our website for more information.

Applications are open through Sunday, December 6th, 2026. Please send a resume and cover letter to hiring@fmcquaker.org. The position starts in late January 2027.

Audio-Visual Tech Host Job Opening: Friends Meeting at Cambridge is seeking a per diem AV Host to help us with audio and hybrid event set ups on Sunday mornings and somd other weekend and evening times. Please see the **job description** posted on our website for more information.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The position is open until filled. Please send a resume and cover letter to hiring@fmcquaker.org.

EVENT

◆ Designates special events / Blue underlined text blocks are hyperlinks

Fri 11/13	11:00am–12:30pm	◆ **Let's Talk About God** (Zoom). In this small group that meets monthly, we share on-going conversations about our spiritual adventures and listen to each other. Drop-ins welcome. To participate, **click this link** or provide the meeting ID 814 0211 3654 and passcode 651231 (if requested) on **Zoom.com**, the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Cornelia Parkes at **seekers@fmcquaker.org**
Sat 11/14	6:00–8:00pm	**SciFi-Fantasy Reading Aloud** (Zoom). Reading aloud for adults! Join the **Science Fiction and Fantasy Read Aloud Book Group** as we gather to read science fiction and fantasy short stories. Bring a story to read or just come to listen …we meet roughly twice a month, on Saturdays from 6 to 8pm. 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 11/15	9:15–10:15am	**Forum** (Parlor / Zoom). **"Spirit-Led Paths to Indigenous Justice Work" with Phoebe Chatfield, of the Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery and Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts**. Phoebe will share her personal story of getting involved in Indigenous justice work. Then, she will open up the forum for a conversation about how Spirit can guide us towards right relationships with Indigenous people. To close, Phoebe and members of the Friends for Racial Justice Committee will share opportunities for further engagement including with the National Day of Mourning on 11/26. 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 forum@fmcquaker.org
	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 Jim Hannon at careofworship@fmcquaker.org
	10:30am–12:00pm	**First Day School** (FDS Rooms). Children join their families for the first 15 minutes of Meeting for Worship and then follow the First Day School banner to their own program at 10:45am. The November classes will focus on the Peace Testimony. Contact Alison Wiggins at alison@fmcquaker.org
	10:45–11:45am	🔶 **Meeting for Worship Outside Raytheon** (Off Site). Limited carpools leave FMC at 10:30 am. Contact John Bach at bolder@fmcquaker.org
	11:45am–12:15pm	**Fellowship with Refreshments** (On-Site). Enjoy conversation with refreshments served in the Friends Room. Contact Holly Lapp / 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 the Zoom link before and 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 Jim Hannon at afterthoughts@fmcquaker.org
	12:15–1:00pm	🔶 **Opening Reception for the November / December Art Show** (Friends Rm). The show is entitled: **"Art as a Pathway to the New Story**." **The featured artists are Mary Coelho, David Damm-Luhr, Marion Foster, David Legg, and Skip Schiel.** They are all members of the New Story Group Arts Pod. They will be available to talk about their artwork, their inspiration for it and to answer questions. Finger food will be available during the event. Contact George Campbell at exhibits@fmcquaker.org
1:30–	3:00pm	🔶 **In Celebration of Rumi** (Meetinghouse)**.** You are invited to an afternoon of music, the whirling of Sufi dervishes, and inspiring readings in Farsi and English from the work of 13th century Sufi mystic Jalaluddin Rumi, whose poetry is filled with a longing for God the Friend and the Beloved. This event is sponsored by Cooperative Metropolitan Ministries (CMM), through its Ruah Interfaith Spirituality & The Arts Program, and hosted by FMC's New Story Group. Free but donations to CMM are welcome. Registration is recommended but not required here. (On Saturday 11/14 there will be similar event at Eliot Church in Newton, MA from 6:30-8:00pm. Info and registration for the 11/14 event can be found here.) Contact Cornelia Parkes at new-story@fmcquaker.org

Sun 11/15	4:45–5:45pm	🔶 **Sunday Evening Meeting for Worship** (Parlor / Library). All are welcome. Contact Walker Bristol / MaryGrace Menner at **yafs@fmcquaker.org**
	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 11/16	4:00–6:00pm	**Finance Committee** (Zoom). Email Bill Heinemann at **finance@fmcquaker.org** for event information.
Tue 11/17	6:30–8:15pm	**Fellowship & Outreach Committee (F&O)** (Zoom). All are welcome. Bring your ideas of ways to enhance our fellowship and outreach efforts or email the committee. To participate, **click this link** or provide the meeting ID 810 9679 2925 and passcode 311326 (if requested) on **Zoom.com**, the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Amanda Green / Brian Robison at **fellowship@fmcquaker.org**
	6:45–8:30pm	**Ministry & Counsel Committee (M&C)** (Zoom). Email Jim Hannon at **ministry@fmcquaker.org** for meeting information.
	7:00–8:30pm	**Gaza Sub-Committee** (Zoom). All are welcome. Email Skip Schiel / Don Gianniny / Dinah Starr / Sarah Allen at **gaza@fmcquaker.org** for event information.
Wed 11/18	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 Sara Sue Pennell at **midweek@fmcquaker.org**
	6:30–8:00pm	**Stone of Hope Drumming Circle** (Meetinghouse). Award-winning musician and inspiring music educator Toussaint Liberator leads this joyful weekly class focused on learning to play West African rhythms on the djembe drums. All levels of drumming experience are welcome. Drums are available to borrow but bring your own if you have one. RSVP one day in advance is required. Suggested donation: $25 (or pay what you can). Contact Dan Fitzmartin / Brian Robison at **stone-of-hope@fmcquaker.org**
Fri 11/20 + Sat 11/21	5:30–8:00pm 9:00am–5:00pm	**Material Aid and Advocacy Program (MAAP) Tag Sale** (Friends Rm). 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**
Sat 11/21	1:00-4:30pm	🔶 **Interpersonal Peace-Making: Practicing Peace with One Another organized by Sarah Allen, Kim West, Leo Bray, and others** (Zoom). The workshop will begin with worship and grounding practices to be present in our bodies and connected to Spirit as we may explore tender topics. We will learn together how we hold difficult Truths, how to listen and speak with love while holding each other accountable. There will be time for reflections on what was shared, and opportunity for gathered Friends to share responses to queries. $25 suggested donation but pay-as-led. Learn much more about the workshop and register **here** to get the Zoom link. Contact Sarah Allen at **sarah@fmcquaker.org**

Sat 11/21	3:00— 5:00pm	**Library Committee** (Cmte Rm). Contact Edward Fleming at **library@fmcquaker.org** for information.
Sun 11/22	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 Naren Roy at **careofworship@fmcquaker.org**
	9:30– 10:45am	**4th Sunday Childcare during 9:30am Meeting for Worship** (FDS Rooms). 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. Contact Alison Wiggins at **alison@fmcquaker.org**
	10:30– 11:00am	**4th Sunday Fellowship with Refreshments** (On-Site). Enjoy conversation with refreshments served in the Friends Room. Contact Holly Lapp / Caren Seagraves / Mike Wyson at **refreshments@fmcquaker.org**
	11:00am– 12:00pm	🔥🔶 **4th Sunday 11:00am Low-Tech Morning Meeting for Worship** (Meetinghouse). On 4th Sundays during this low-tech worship there will be a fire in the Meetinghouse fireplace beginning 11/22 and continuing through the winter. Contact Jennifer Hogue at **careofworship@fmcqauker.org**
	11:00am– 12:15pm	**4th Sunday First Day School during 11:00am Meeting for Worship** (FDS Rooms). 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. The November classes will focus on the Peace Testimony. Contact Alison Wiggins at **alison@fmcquaker.org**
	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 at **simplelunch@fmcquaker.org**
	4:30– 5:45pm	**Prison Fellowship** (Zoom). All are welcome. 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 11/23	6:30– 8:00pm	**Disability & Accessibility Awareness & Coordination (DAAC) Group** (Zoom). This year, our group will hold space for FMC to learn about and attend to ableism, inclusion and access, disability pride, and other disability-related topics, as led. We invite you to drop in and join us on any 4th Monday, 6:30-8:00pm. To participate, **click this link** or provide the meeting ID 821 2999 8510 and passcode 307359 (if requested) on **Zoom.com**, the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Amanda Green at **thedaac@fmcquaker.org**
	7:00– 9:00pm	🔶 **New Story Group** (Zoom). Come at 6:30 pm for fellowship. First timers are always welcome! The November topic is "**Interdependence: Leaning into the Ecozoic**." To quote Thomas Berry, "Our own special role, which we will hand to our children, is that of managing the arduous transition…to the emerging Ecozoic Era, the period when humans will be present to the planet as participating members of the comprehensive Earth Community." 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 1-646-558-856. Click **here** to learn more about the group, check out resources and read back issues of the New Story newsletter. Contact Cornelia Parkes at **new-story@fmcquaker.org**

Tue 11/24	7:00–9:00pm	**Peace & Social Justice Committee (P&SJ)** (Zoom). All are welcome. 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 11/25	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 Sara Sue Pennell at midweek@fmcquaker.org
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	7:00–8:30pm	🔶 **Quaker Eldering Practice Group (2nd/4th Wed)** (Zoom). All are welcome. We'll read selections from Pendle Hill pamphlet #271, Gospel Order by Sandra Cronk with time for sharing personal experiences and reflections. Sandra Cronk writes "We tend to see religious life in a bipolar way, divided between inward life and social concerns.... Early Friends' experience of being gathered into gospel order bespeaks another model. In this model the inward life, the work of social concerns, and the life of the meeting community are fused together into an integrated whole". 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
Thu 11/26	8:00am–5:00pm	**FMC Staff Holiday.** For urgent facilities matters, please email facilities@fmcquaker.org. For urgent scheduling matters, please email scheduling@fmcquaker.org.
	10:30–11:30am	🔶 **Day of Gratitude and Mourning Meeting for Worship** (Parlor / Open Zoom). 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 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on Zoom.com, the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact Naren Roy at careofworship@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 / Caren Seagraves / Mike Wyson at refreshments@fmcquaker.org
	12:00-1:30pm	🔶 Day of Gratitude and Mourning Potluck Midday Meal (Friends Room). Sign up online here or contact Holly Lapp at holidaymeal@fmcquaker.org and she'll sign you up. Tell us how many are coming in your group and what you plan to bring. Or let us know if you are flexible about what you are willing to bring, and we will tell you what we need. Also, please sign up to help with cleanup after the meal. Contact Holly Lapp / Tom O'Connor / Betsy Hewitt at holidaymeal@fmcquaker.org
Sat 11/28	11:00am–12:00pm followed by a reception	🔶 **Alaina Huxtable Memorial Meeting for Worship** (Meetinghouse). A lunch reception will follow. FMC member Alaina Huxtable died at age 85 on September 21, 2026. She and her husband Peter (who died in August 2023) joined FMC in October 1980. Contact Sam Duncan / Toni Lydecker at memorials@fmcquaker.org

Sat 11/28	6:00–8:00pm	**SciFi-Fantasy Reading Aloud** (Zoom). Reading aloud for adults! Join the **Science Fiction and Fantasy Read Aloud Book Group** as we gather to read science fiction and fantasy short stories. Bring a story to read or just come to listen …we meet roughly twice a month, on Saturdays from 6 to 8pm. 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. 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 11/29	9:30–10:15am	🔶 **Make a Joyful Noise! Alleluia! Singing Together** (Parlor/ Zoom). As is our custom on 5th Sundays from September - June, we will not have a Forum. Instead, you are invited to sing carols in the Parlor. The event will be hybrid, but on Zoom you will need to stay muted and sing at home or listen to those gathered in the Parlor. 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 Susan Davies / Sandy Sweetnam at **singing@fmcquaker.org**
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SAVE THE DATE

Sun 12/6	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 at **simplelunch@fmcquaker.org**
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Sun 12/13	1:15-3:30pm	🔶 **Possible Meeting for Business in 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 Interim Care of Business Team at **icbt@fmcquaker.org**
Mon 12/14	7:00—9:00pm	🔶 **The Healing and Transforming Power of the New Story** (Zoom). Come at 6:30pm for fellowship. This special event will feature Mary Coelho, author of Invited to a Spiritual Journey: Discovering the Hidden Wound, with others. 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. Click here to learn more about the group, check out resources and read back issues of the New Story newsletter. Contact Cornelia Parkes at **new-story@fmcquaker.org**
Sun 12/20	9:00—10:30am	Rehearsal for Pageant Musicians (On-Site). If you'd like to be part of the Pageant Pickup Band (all instruments welcome), contact Davi Anick in advance at **pageantmusic@fmcquaker.org** so he can get parts ready for the various instruments and do other advance planning with Tom O'Connor. Simple breakfast provided.
Sun 12/20	10:30–11:30am	Pageant Rehearsal for First Day School (On-Site)**.** Watch for more details. Children are invited to gather at 10:30am to select parts, costumes, and rehearse the Pageant. There will be no formal First Day School classes. Parents and adult volunteers are welcome to participate as well! Contact Alison Wiggins at **alison@fmcquaker.org** with questions and to volunteer.
Sun 12/20	11:30—11:45am	🔶 First Day School Christmas Pageant (Meetinghouse / Open Zoom). At the rise of Meeting for Worship, First Day School students, families, and friends will bring a dramatization of the Christmas story into the Meetinghouse with musical accompaniment and audience participation. 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 Alison Wiggins at **alison@fmcquaker.org**
Fri 12/25	10:30—11:30am	🔶 Christmas Morning Meeting for Worship (Parlor / Open Zoom). Come join us for a special Meeting for Worship on Christmas. Light refreshments will be served after worship for those who attend onsite. 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 783 475 1861 and passcode 1652 (if requested) on **Zoom.com**, the Zoom app, or after calling 1-646-558-8656. Contact To Be Announced at **careofworship@fmcquaker.org**

WIDER QUAKER WORLD

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**.
Sun 11/15	1:00pm	**Weed Memorial Lecture: Apprentice Weavers with Christy Randazzo** (Off-Site Beacon Hill Friends House 6-8 Chestnut, Boston, MA / Zoom). "Apprentice Weavers: Queer Family, Quaker Community, and the Work of Peacemaking" asks what it means to make family in a world that so often seeks to prescribe who belongs to whom. Weaving personal narrative with queer and Quaker theology, scripture, and the practices of chosen family, Christy Randazzo explores the families we inherit and the families we choose — and the ways we weave lives of interdependence across difference. Free. Read more **here** and register **here**. Sponsored by **Beacon Hill Friends House**.
Tue 11/17	8:00–9:00am	**Meeting for Worship outside Burlington ICE** (Off-Site at 1000 District Avenue, Burlington, MA). This monthly Meeting for Worship takes place on third Tuesdays. Bring a folding chair or a blanket to sit on and appropriate clothing for our hour of worship and worship sharing. We will have someone assigned to pass out information to those who have questions while we sit in waiting worship. This is a drop-in event. Friends are free to leave early or to arrive late and may come and go. Sponsored by **Beacon Hill Friends Meeting**.
Tue 11/17	8:00–9:00pm	**Our Path Forward after the Midterm Elections** (Zoom). Friends Committee on National Legislation invites you to hear the latest information about what we expect and the ways you can make a real difference in what is left of the 119th Congress and what we expect in the 120th. Find out the big legislative items we need to influence before the end of the year. Free. Register **here**. Sponsored by **Friends Committee for National Legislation (FCNL)**
Tue 11/17	8:00–9:30pm	**Protect, Resist, and Build with AFSC** (Zoom). This monthly webinar series brings together AFSC supporters to learn about how to protect our communities, resist authoritarianism, and build peace with justice. It takes place monthly on 3rd Tuesdays. Free. Register **here**. Sponsored by **American Friends Service Committee**
Wed 11/18	7:00–8:30pm	**Book talk with Stephen Angell – Was Quaker women's ministry in the 1650s a foundation for the modern Quaker testimony of equality?** Free. Read more and register **here.** Sponsored by **Earlham School of Religion**
Tue 11/24	7:00–8:30pm	**Monthly Check-In for Immigration Justice Work Among Friends** (Zoom). If you a Quaker 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 4th Tuesday Zoom check in through the Yearly Meeting. We hope to offer mutual support and encouragement, and perhaps an exchange of knowledge and resources as well. Free. Register **here**. Sponsored by **New England Yearly Meeting**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

🔥 **Fires in the Meetinghouse fireplace will begin on 4th Sundays (including 11/22) for the low-tech Meeting for Worship at 11am and currently are scheduled to continue on this schedule during the winter.** If you are sensitive to smoke odors and/or particulate matter, please consider joining the hybrid 9:30am worship on 4th Sundays or on Zoom because there will be no fire. **There will also be a fire in the Meetinghouse fireplace at the New Year's Eve Meeting for Worship from 11:00pm to midnight.**

A new and easy way to volunteer at FMC. FMC has adopted a new online system that makes it a breeze to volunteer. The online system includes (thus far) **greeting**, **microphone spacing**, **refreshments**, and assisting with **First Day School**. If you are volunteering for the first time, all opportunities include training or orientation. Those working with youth need to undergo child-safety screening. Questions? Email **fellowship@fmcquaker.org**.

FMC Library Grand Reopening. The two library rooms on the first floor of the Friends Center are once again open for members and guests to check out books. The present means to do this is select a book, fill out one of the slips found in the library (there is signage indicating where) and write down the book and your contact information. Deposit the slip in the indicated bin, and you're done! At present, we are allowing people to check out up to 10 items at once for a period of two months at a time. Please contact **library@fmcquaker.lorg** with any further questions, requests for material to be added to the collection, or suggestions!

Farewell Jay Arias. It is time to send a warm & loving goodbye to Childcare Provider Jay Arias. She collectively spent multiple years in First Day School singing, making art, providing support, exploring outdoors, and most importantly teaching. She has moved on to spend more time off with her family. It is both sad and joyful to send her off with gratitude and happiness. First Day School students can expect to spend some time discussing this on an upcoming Sunday. A Job Posting for the Childcare Provider position has been posted. See page 1 of this Weekly Calendar for more details.

FAMILIES AND OTHERS INTERESTED IN FIRST DAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH PROGRAMS. Activities and opportunities for children and families are shared on the FMC Family WhatsApp and in the weekly Family email. To sign up to get this info and to ask questions about opportunities for children and families at FMC, please contact Alison Wiggins at **alison@fmcquaker.org**.

YOUNG ADULTS (18-35ISH). Our Young Adult Friends group maintains both a listserv and an active YAF WhatsApp. To sign up to get this info and to ask questions about the group, please contact Walker Bristol / Mary Grace Mennor at yafs@fmcquaker.org

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**

We gratefully accept donations on-line here. Contact **fundraising@fmcquaker.org** with questions.

PERSONAL NEWS

FMC Member **Alaina Huxtable** died on September 21, 2026, at age 85. **A memorial Meeting for Worship will be held at FMC** to celebrate Alaina's life will take place on Saturday, **November 28th at 11am**. An on-site lunch reception will follow.

Mary Spitzer invites all to drop in at her Open Studio on the weekend of Saturday, November 21st (10am-5pm) and Sunday, November 22nd (11am-4pm), at the Lydia Pinkham Complex, 271 Western Avenue in Lynn, MA. There are many artists that will be participating. There is a restaurant onsite that will be open on Saturday. Mary will be featuring one new piece entitled "Figure / Landscape" which explores the ways that the human body is like a landscape and how a landscape is like a human body as well as some of her earlier works.

"**Watching Cars**". **Cornelia Parkes** shares a story of how she found the deepest anguish in her heart by meditating on the disruptive influence of watching cars during meeting for worship. Cornelia can be reached at **new-story@fmcquaker.org.**

Sarah Allen invites us to a workshop she is helping to organize **on Zoom on Saturday 11/21 from 1-4:30pm** entitled **Interpersonal Peace-Making: Practicing Peace with One Another**. She writes: "We will begin with worship and grounding practices to be present in our bodies and connected to Spirit as we may explore tender topics. We will learn together how we hold difficult Truths, how to listen and speak with love while holding each other accountable. There will be time for reflections on what was shared, and opportunity for gathered Friends to share responses to queries. $25 suggested donation but pay-as-led. Learn much more about the workshop and register **here**.

Jim Hannon's account of an undramatic spiritual awakening as a Quaker has been published in Amethyst Review and can be found **here**.

Mary Coelho has just published a small book *Invited to a Spiritual Journey: Discovering the Hidden Wound.* It tells the story of her spiritual journey from being awakened by mystical experiences, the breakthrough for her that came from the changes in our understanding of the nature of matter and other worldview changes from science, insights from Rufus Jones and several other spiritual teachers, and her recognition of very early psychological/spiritual wounding that had blocked for decades any realization of her spiritual search. It is available **here** on Amazon. She will be talking about her experience at the New Story Group meeting on Monday, December 14th from 7-9pm. See the Weekly Calendar for details.

Bill Green spoke on 9/14/26 at a Climate Action Brookline program on the topic of Artificial Intelligence, and in particular the impacts on the climate from the rapid proliferation of AI data centers. The recording available here: **https://climateactionbrookline.org/events/#archives**

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, 11/23/26 at 11:59pm. This next issue will cover events taking place from Saturday, November 28 through Sunday, December 13 (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.

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We invite newcomers to introduce themselves and indicate their interests by filling out the **Newcomers Card here**.