

# First Day Notes

## First Day Classes & Childcare

### Intergenerational First Day School (9:30-10:30 Friendship Hall):

Intergenerational First Day School is an opportunity for Friends of all ages and abilities to explore Quaker history and values and Bible stories together. It is our mission to build relationships across ages and perspectives through discussion, play, arts and crafts, stories, and service projects. We believe that a diverse offering of First Day School programs help us warmly welcome all people into our Meeting community.

This week, our theme is “**Embracing Our Differences**”. As always, breakfast is provided. Join us!

### Children’s Choir (Yes, you read that correctly!) 10:30-10:45 Choir Room:

Children’s choir practice will be held in the choir room immediately following Intergenerational First Day School. All children are invited and encouraged to come! We understand that families are not al-

ways able to attend weekly. That’s O.K. Bring your children when you can and they will make a joyful noise! **Please Note:** *Children’s Choir will be singing in Meeting for Worship on Sunday, February 25th.*

### Brotherhood Class (9:45–10:50Rm. 111):

John Kepchar will be teaching from the Winter Illuminate series entitled, “Understanding The Ways of Jesus”. This week, “Coming Persecution”.

### Spiritual Disciplines (9:45–10:50Rm. 109):

Karen Garraputa leads this book discussion group. Join us as we continue the discipline of Bible study with our reading and discussion of the Gospel of Mark.

### Adult Forum (9:45-10:50 Parlor):

In an open discussion, led by William R. Rogers, Mary Luckhaus and Dot Ma-

This is also the date of NCCJ's Interfaith Tour which comes highly recommended.

Although Young Friends will not be partaking in an official capacity this year, it is definitely worth doing if possible.

son, Friends at New Garden have the opportunity for input into the priorities for lobbying by FCNL staff lobbyists and by other active Friends. FCNL seeks this input in order to establish a focus of lobbying efforts for each incoming Congress. Questions or requests for materials? Contact Dot Mason, [hmason@triad.rr.com](mailto:hmason@triad.rr.com)

**Crib Room** (Infants through 2 years) 9:30-12 with Margaret Rutherford.

**Childcare during Meeting for Worship** (3 yrs and up) 10:30– rise of meeting with Sydney Keskinen.

**For more information about any of our Religious Education Programs, contact Karin Heller.**

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### **Meeting for Worship Unprogrammed**

### **Meeting for Worship 9 A.M.**

### **Semi Programmed Meeting for Worship 11 A.M.**

NGFM encourages all children to attend Meeting for Worship.

We keep a blanket and quiet toys near the facing bench for our littlest Friends to participate in “*Meeting for Wiggles*”, and children are also welcome to sit on the benches.

Please help yourself to a copy of the pamphlet “*Helping Children Learn to Worship*” from the newcomers table in the Meeting room foyer.

*However, if these options do not work, childcare is available.*

***Please choose the option that is best for your family.***

### Young Friends

Next Sunday (2/18) Young Friends will be back to our regularly scheduled group meeting with a game and a conversation surrounding the testimony of integrity.

Please bring \$5 for dinner.