



New Garden Meetinghouse, 1791

NEW GARDEN FRIENDS MEETING

Established 1754

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First Day Schedule

9:00 a.m.	Un-programmed Meeting for Worship
9:45 a.m.	First Day forums and classes for adults
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time
11:00 a.m.	Semi-Programmed Meeting for Worship

What do Quakers say?

There is something sacred in all people.

All people are equal before God.

Religion is about the whole of life.

We meet in stillness to discover a deeper sense of God's presence.

True religion leads to respect for the earth and all life upon it.

Each person is unique, precious, a child of God.

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265 Years of Continuous Quaker Ministry and Presence
in the New Garden / Greensboro Community
23rd day, 2nd month, 2020

PLEASE ENTER THE MEETING IN WORSHIPFUL SILENCE

Each item in the order of worship arises out of the silence, which encompasses the whole hour. As a Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), we value these quiet moments in the presence of the Divine Spirit and our gathered congregation.

Worshipful Music

Music of Beethoven

Welcome

Hymn # 148

“Holy Spirit, Truth Diviine”

Reading

Selections from Plain Living: A Quaker Path to Simplicity,
edited by Catherine Whitmire, pages 101-103

Special Music

Marc Alley, soloist

“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God” Carl Mueller

Offertory

Message

Margaret Webb

“Seeking and Longing for the Spirit”

COMMUNION AFTER THE MANNER OF FRIENDS After the planned message we enter into a period of worship that is based upon silent, expectant waiting. It is a distinctly Quaker form of worship. It is slightly different from meditation. This kind of worship (about 30 minutes) may be completely silent, or there may be those who are led to stand and speak. When we hear a speaker, regardless of whether we agree with what is said, or whether we understand what is being said, we hold that speaker in the LIGHT (pray for them) and consider that we may learn valuable lessons or be moved spiritually by what is being said. After the speaker finishes, we return to the silence and continue to worship expectantly. Friends are encouraged to allow a period of silence between speakers so that we may reflect on the message which has just been given. Early in the silence we may use our minds to think about words and music we have just heard, but hopefully we will get beyond the process of thinking to a place where the Divine Spirit leads and guides us into a deeper level of worship.

GREETING AFTER THE MANNER OF FRIENDS Friends extend the hand of fellowship (or hugs) in recognition that we are all children of God.

FIRST DAY at NEW GARDEN FRIENDS MEETING

9 a.m. Open Worship Meeting Room (no childcare)

9:45 a.m. Adult Classes Forum, Brotherhood, Spiritual Disciplines

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time Friendship Hall

Children’s Choir Choir Room

11 a.m. Semi-Programmed Worship Meeting Room

Childcare (for babies and children)

10:30 - Noon Room 004

NGFM encourages all children to attend Meeting for Worship. Please choose the option that is best for your family. Children are invited to sit on the benches, or on the blanket in the front of the meeting room for “Meeting for Wiggles.” A childcare worker will be available to escort children to childcare after the programmed message.

Available to newcomers: “Helping Children Learn to Worship” pamphlet found in Meeting Room foyer.

Sunday, March 1

Carry-In Meal and Month Monthly Meeting for Business

Welcome ... to our Visitors and Newcomers

Please help us get to know you by completing a visitor card, which is located in the back cover of the hymnals. Place completed cards in the offering plate.

If you have questions or comments, see our Welcoming Friend after the service.

Regular NG Meeting Schedule For This Week

Sunday:	February 23
5 p.m.	Young Friends (dinner at 6:30 p.m.)
Tuesday:	February 25
3 p.m.	Ukestra / Brotherhood Room
Wednesday:	February 26
11 a.m.	Healing Prayer Group / Friends Homes
6 p.m.	HSYF "Whine & Cheese"
6 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room
7 p.m.	Mindfulness Meditation / Meeting Room
Thursday:	February 27
3 p.m.	Quaker Relations / Room 109

Ministry & Counsel will meet this week. If you have any concerns, contact the Clerk, Jane Foy, by Monday.

Volunteers

Ushers	Owen Honeycutt, Jade Perry, Claire Haile, Jeffrey Haile, Anya Lawe
Greeter	Jade Perry
Sound	Tom Lassiter, Kurt Keskinen

This Week's Birthdays

24	Lori George	28	Soren Blue
24	Jean Pudlo	29	Kimberly Plaut
26	Dianne Powel		
27	Jim Clotfelter		
27	John Campbell White		

Friends May Wish To Hold In The Light

Al Carwile, Sharyn Carwile, Joe Maguire, Bill Stevens, Gerburg Mowry, Garnett Hughes, Patricia Gutzwiller, Barton Parks, Cathie Holcombe, Patricia Gutzwiller, Karen Hartsoe, Solveig Luckhaus, Asher McElfresh, Lipika Mahanty, Grace Flippin

New Garden Notes

My family and I want to thank all of you who sent such wonderful, supportive cards, Caring Bridge messages, poems and so much more. They have been greatly appreciated.

Phyllis Ott



If you choose to speak during the silence

please stand or raise your hand and wait for delivery of a microphone by an usher. Then hold it as shown in this photo.

Friendly Yoga Returns - starting today!

Join Catherine Eagles for a few Sunday afternoon yoga classes to say good-bye Winter and welcome Spring!

- February 23 and March 1 - say good-bye to Winter
- March 15 and March 22 - say welcome to Spring

We will begin promptly at 4 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Classes are open to New Garden members and attenders and are appropriate for beginners and experienced yogis. If you can get up and down from the floor, you can have fun in these yoga classes! Come to one class or come to all.

"Living Buddha, Living Christ" Book Study .. continues

A study continues on March 1, and March 8, of the book "Living Buddha, Living Christ" during Adult Forum in the parlor. If you are interested in participating and would like to order a book, go to this link to do so - Living Buddha, Living Christ: 20th Anniversary Edition - <https://tinyurl.com/ulkbxhb>.

Singalong Concert - Saturday, March 7

Come join us for an evening of spirited singing with Annie Patterson, the creator of the songbook, "Rise Up Singing." This concert celebrates the centennial of Pete Seeger's birth and is a benefit for the earthcare ministries of NGFM.

Songs of Hope and Courage

Saturday, March 7, 7 p.m. at NGFM

Suggested donation: \$15-20 at the door. No one turned away for lack of funds.

Information/advance tickets: <https://tinyurl.com/wrfj6vc>. Invite your friends.

All are welcome.

Contact: Gertrude Beal, 336-299-8897 (gbeal@guilford.edu).

"The Spirit of Harriet Tubman" Sunday, March 8 at 3 p.m. at NGFM

On Sunday, March 8, New Garden Meeting will host offered by Diane Faison sharing this one-woman performance inspired by the life and liberating work of Harriet Tubman who traveled the Underground Railroad at least 19 times freeing slaves. A love offering will be taken to support the Meeting's efforts to confront racism and discrimination.

Mark your calendar - A Called Meeting - March 22

New Garden will have a called meeting following a carry-in meal on Sunday, March 22. The purpose of the meeting is to discern members' and attenders' thoughts about the finances of the Meeting. Following a couple of short presentations from Finance and Stewardship and from Investments, we will enter into worship and speak out of the silence.

Nominating Committee Focus for the Second Week

This week the Nominating Committee will provide information on two of our committees: Peace & Social Concerns and Hospitality.

Peace and Social Concerns – is responsible for coordinating our education and action in both traditional and emerging Quaker concerns including peace, justice, poverty, race relations, human rights and the environment. They inform the Meeting about these concerns, asking us to be sensitive and responsive to the needs. They also manage and distribute various funds to support outreach programs and projects. The committee is composed of twelve members serving staggered three year terms. They meet monthly and use a co-clerk structure to support the diversity of concerns the committee addresses.

Hospitality – is responsible for set-up, performing various jobs during and cleanup after the Monthly Meeting meals (typically the first Sunday of each month). The committee does not hold scheduled meetings and coordinates their schedule by email. The clerk coordinates the work of the members for their designated day(s) and trains the members on the use of the various appliances and equipment. Occasionally a work session is scheduled for an overall cleaning of the kitchen and cleaning and organizing the pantry. The total number of members is fairly large to allow responsibilities to be rotated from month to month. Working on Hospitality can be a great opportunity to learn more about the people of our Meeting. Families are welcome and encouraged to serve as a crew of 2, 3, 4 or?

Please contact a Nominating Committee member: Alan Spiewak, Clerk, Lois Baldwin, Donna Allred, Elizabeth Riggs, Charles Cameron, Mary Louise Smith or Cheryl Hopkins if you have any questions or you feel called to help on a committee. If you are uncertain of who we are, please check with the Welcoming Friend after Meeting for Worship to connect with one of us.

Charles Cameron for the Nominating Committee

Women's Retreat at Quaker Lake Camp - March 7 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

For worship, relaxation and fellowship. Activities: swinging from Alpine Tower, hiking, ceramics, sewing, line dancing, cooking demos, yoga, crafts, jewelry making, games and much more! Open to women of all ages. \$35, including light breakfast and full lunch.

Register by sending printed form (see Quaker Relations bulletin board) with payment to Quaker Lake Camp, or at www.quakerlakecamp.org/womens-retreat. Deadline is February 28, 2020.

Questions? Contact Kate Seel: (kateseel3@gmail.com) or 336-455-2591

FCNL Priorities Process for the 117th Congress (2021-2022)

You can be a part of the process of discerning what key issues F(f)riends around the country will lobby our elected officials on in the coming congressional year! Join other New Gardener's for one (or both) of the following forum sessions at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, March 15 and Sunday March 22

Background on the process & FCNL:

A distinctive feature of the Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL.org) is their practice of asking Quakers around the country to help shape our work. As we do every two years, FCNL has asked Friends and their meetings, churches, and other groups all over the country to share which of the many public policy issues and questions identified in FCNL's Policy Statement, "The World We Seek" (<https://tinyurl.com/tlkglgj>) they think are most important. What needs close attention from Friends, and from FCNL? Your answers to this question are the foundation for the lobbying priorities that FCNL will set at its Annual Meeting in November of 2020. Questions, comments? Email Lizzie Biddle (esbiddle@gmail.com) or Mary Luckhaus (luckhausmary@gmail.com).

Phillip Gulley Is Coming To Our Area - March 14-15

Philip Gulley, a Quaker pastor, has become the voice of small-town American life. Along with writing Front Porch Tales, Hometown Tales, and For Everything a Season, he is the author of the Harmony series of novels. Gulley lives in Indiana with his wife, Joan, and their sons.

On Saturday, March 14 at Quaker Lake, he will be speaking on his new book, "Unlearning God: How Unbelieving Helped Me Believe." On Sunday, March 15, he will be at First Friends Meeting for a 10 a.m. chat room and at the 11 a.m. worship service. For more information, call First Friends: 336-299-8869.

PFF and PFYM Family Spring Retreat is March 27-29

You are invited to attend the 2020 Piedmont Friends Fellowship and Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting Family Spring Retreat and Annual Sessions. Please take your own cup and napkin/s. Paper registration forms and lodging information will soon follow.

NGFM has long complained that Friends could not participate because the weekend conflicted with Easter activities. They have listened to us and changed the dates. Now it's our turn to show up! find information at: pffandpfym.org.

Vigil at Persimmon Grove

Our neighbors at Persimmon Grove AME had their church vandalized with racist graffiti. They are organizing a community vigil of support to respond to this hateful act and are asking NGFM members and attendees join them to show support and solidarity. The vigil is planned for Friday, February 28 at 7 p.m. at Persimmon Grove.

Contact: Pastor Margaret at: (pastormargaret@ngfm.org.)

Black History Month

Celebrate Black History Month with “The Life and Times of Fannie Lou Hamer,” the amazing woman on the front lines in the fight for voting rights in Mississippi. This is presented by Touring Theatre Ensemble at Triad Stage on:

- Friday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, February 29, at 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, March 1 at 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$24 for general admission, \$18 for groups of 10; \$10 for students. Please call CH Holcombe (336-250-4348) if you want to go with a group on Sunday afternoon, March 1.

Upcoming Plans for Friendship Community Partnership:

--- February

- 23 *Sunday: 3 p.m. -- Black History Program*
at Raleighs Crossroads UMC, directed by our friend, Barbara Morehead.
- 26 *Wednesday: 6 p.m. -- Ash Wednesday Service*
at Collins Grove UMC. All are invited.
- 29 *Saturday: 11 a.m. -2 p.m. -- Brunswick Stew Sale*
by the Men of Collins Grove UMC, 5210 Collins Grove Church Rd. \$8 per quart. You may pick up or eat in. Pre-orders encouraged at 336-314-7434. Church is located off Lewiston Road.

--- March

- 28 - *Saturday: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. -- Learn Women's history*
at the Tribute To Women Center at Barber Park with all churches, especially inviting our respective Youth Groups to mingle and learn about achievements of local women. We will tour the center and then drive to K&W Friendly for lunch and to share reactions.

--- April

Clergy from the five churches are conferring about a joint worship service to be held on or near the date of Martin Luther King's martyrdom, April 4.

FCP monthly meetings will resume on the third Monday of each month, from 6 - 7:30 p.m.