



London Grove Monthly Meeting

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March Bulletin

3rd Month Queries Deepening Our Faith: Spiritual Nurture

- How does the meeting encourage the use of spiritual practices that deepen our faith, enhance the excitement of shared religious discovery and increase the possibility of spiritual transformation?
- What is the nature of our shared experience of the Divine and how do we nurture our collective spiritual growth and transformation?
- In what ways do we support each other in our spiritual journeys, in our search for God's will and in our efforts to increase understanding of humanity's relationship to life on earth?
- How do we recognize, develop and nurture the spiritual gifts of all in our meeting?
- *How do I incorporate into my personal and family life those daily practices that focus on continued spiritual growth, including worship, reflection and engagement with writings that nurture the soul?*
- *How does my spiritual life integrate an understanding of a well-ordered relationship with the earth and deepen my reverence for the interconnectedness of all life?*

March 2020 Calendar

3/1	8:15 AM	Religious Education Committee meeting
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship; Children's First Day School: Building Bird Feeders-- John Provinski
	10:30 AM	Meeting for Worship for Business; Reports by: Care & Membership and Leadership Committees
3/5	7:30 PM	Property Committee meeting
3/8	8:30 AM	Peace & Social Justice Committee meeting
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship; Young Children's First Day School: Topic and Teacher TBD
	10:30 AM	Adult First Day School: FCNL Legislative Priorities--Peace and Social Justice Committee (see page 4)
3/12	4:00 PM	Care & Membership Committee meeting
3/15	9:00 AM	Friends socialize with coffee and pastry in Library--Hosted by Property Committee
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship; Children's First day School: Decorating/painting Bird House Projects--Edna Collins
	10:30 AM	Adult First Day School: Bible Study--Gospel of Mark 12-13--Donald LaBranche
3/16	6:30 PM	Worship & Ministry Committee meeting
3/19	9:30 AM	Library Committee meeting
3/22	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship; Children's First Day School: Moses, Jonah & Isaiah Part 1--Karen Conlan
	10:30 AM	Adult First Day School: "End of Life Plans"--Guest Speaker Tom Martin, Attorney
3/29	8:15 AM	EASTER CHOIR PRACTICE: Friends of all ages are invited to join. Second rehearsal will be April 5 at 8:15 AM. Contact Eileen Hickman with questions at emh725st@gmail.com .
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship; Children's First Day School: Moses, Jonah & Isaiah Part 2--Karen Conlan
	10:30 AM	Adult First Day School: "Sharing Our Spiritual Journey"--Worship & Ministry Committee

Date	Volunteer bringing Flowers	Childcare Volunteers FIRST HOUR	Childcare Volunteers SECOND HOUR
3/1	Henry Paulter	Doug Myers	Kim Brosnan-Myers
3/8	David Williamson	Georgia Delaney	Georgia Delaney
3/15	Susanna Davison	Chris Hinks	Chris Hinks
3/22	Alexia Vaughn	Alexia Vaughn	Alexia Vaughn
3/29	Anna Myers	Gail Newbold	Denis Newbold

Second Month 2020 Meeting for Worship for Business Summary

On February 2nd 2020, following worship with the reading of the Queries, the Meeting continued in worship with attention to the business of London Grove Meeting.

Minutes from the First Month's meeting were read by Tammy Brosius and approved by the Meeting.

Betsy Walker, Recorder, reported the transfer of membership of Scott Rodewalt to Northeast Kingdom Meeting in Vermont and the release from membership of Susan Rodewalt.

Letters requesting release from membership by Mathew Hodges and from Dustin Hodges were read, and the report of Care and Membership Committee recommending these releases was read. The Meeting approved the release from membership of Matthew and Dustin Hodges. A letter from Jessie Mooberry requesting that she and Soren Rubin be married Under the Care of the Meeting was read and referred to Care and Membership Committee.

The Treasurer's report was made by Doug Myers and received by the Meeting.

Hospitality Committee's annual report was made, as was Library Committee's. Denis Newbold, clerk of Library Committee, reported that our collection now includes 1250 adult books, 81 young adult books, 393 children's books, and 172 Pendle Hill pamphlets, all catalogued using the Dewey Decimal System. Special projects include highlighting Native American Studies, and Donald LaBranche's First Day class materials.

Clerk Peter Weygandt reported back to the Meeting on the present status of Monthly Meeting minutes. These have now been assembled, printed, and filed in the Meeting's map room and will be taken to Swarthmore for archiving. Committee Clerks felt that information in their annual reports was sufficient and no further minutes are needed.

Through the leadership of Edna Collins and Committee Clerks, an ad hoc task force was suggested to explore ways to expand membership. The Meeting approved the formation of this task force. A sign-up sheet for those interested in serving is on the table at the entrance to our Meeting.

Margaret Walton reported on Western Quarterly Meeting held at Mill Creek in January. Of note is that Robert Frye, of London Grove, is the rising Clerk of Western Quarter.

A minute from Bucks Quarter to Yearly Meeting regarding protest of the sale of assault weapons was distributed and read. The Meeting referred this to Peace and Social Justice Committee, which will report back at the March meeting for business.

Peter Weygandt, Clerk

ADULT FIRST DAY PROGRAM-- MARCH 8, 2020 FCNL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES 2020

"FCNL is asking Friends from across the U.S. to help set our legislative priorities for the 117th Congress".

"A distinctive feature of the Friends committee on National Legislation is our 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', they think are most important".

Please join the Peace and Social Justice Committee to determine the London Grove input to the FCNL Legislative Priorities process. Information about the process can be found at: fcnl.org/priorities.

Chester County Quaker Helped Underground Railroad and Black Equality in South

A local Quaker married Mary Jones Pusey (that's a familiar last name!), and had a strong commitment to equal rights for people of African descent. Read more related to the book, *Quaker Carpetbagger*, at the link provided below.

https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/chester-county-quaker-helped-underground-railroad-and-black-equality-in/article_7ae3502e-46c8-11ea-b671-cba6d366607b.html

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