



London Grove Monthly Meeting

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November Bulletin

11th Month Queries Witnessing in the World: Education

- What does our meeting do to support and improve public education?
- What help do we provide for the children and adults in our meeting to pursue their educational goals?
- What is our meeting's role in support for Friends' education? If our meeting is connected to a Friends school or schools, does this relationship nurture spiritual life and the manifestation of Friends principles?
- Do we enable children in our meeting to attend a Friends school? Does our meeting work with the family to consider all available means of support?
- *How do I show my concern for the improvement of public education in my community?*
- *Do I demonstrate my encouragement and support for Friends education through awareness and service?*

"QuakerSpeak", a project of Friends Journal, puts engaging 5 minute videos about Quaker topics online. To visit QuakerSpeak, go to www.quakerspeak.com

September 2020 Calendar

11/01	8:15 AM	Religious Education Committee via Zoom
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Meeting for Worship for Business via Zoom
11/05	7:30 PM	Property Committee
11/07	10-4	PYM Meaningful Community Intergenerational Worship: Worship, Virtual Community Opportunities, and Worship Sharing Groups. For more information please visit https://www.pym.org/continuing-sessions/ . Also, refer to the space directly below this calendar.
11/08	8:30 AM	Peace and Social Justice Committee via Zoom
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship under the Oak, weather permitting (bring chairs), or via Zoom if necessary
11/09	7:00 PM	Ad Hoc Task Force on Membership Growth via Zoom (Note new time)
11/10	4:00 PM	Care and Membership Committee via Zoom
11/14	10:00 AM	All are welcome to "Zoom Coffee"
11/15	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Adult First Day School via Zoom: Donald LaBranche will discuss Meister Eckhart
11/17	6:00 PM	Worship and Ministry Committee via Zoom
11/22	9:00 AM	PYM Children's Meeting for Worship. Fourth First Days by PYM, 9:00 AM: For youth, families and all Friends. For more information (including the "Giant Children's Meeting", as well as a rich list of activities and resources to use in other settings) visit pym.org/religious-education/
	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship under the Oak, weather permitting (bring chairs), or via Zoom if necessary
11/28	10:00 AM	All are welcome to "Zoom Coffee"
11/29	9:30 AM	Meeting for Worship via Zoom

PYM PROGRAM 11/7

10:00--Introduction and Tech review

10:15-12 Noon--Land Acknowledgement, Intergenerational Quaker Play Story, Multigenerational Worship

12-12:30--Break

1:30-2:30--Youth Programs

2:30-4:00--Multigenerational Worship Sharing in small groups

TENTH MONTH MEETING FOR WORSHIP FOR BUSINESS-- SUMMARY

On October 4, 2020, following worship with the reading of the Queries, the Meeting continued in worship with attention to the business of London Grove Monthly Meeting.

Minutes from the Ninth Month's meeting were read and approved by the Meeting.

Chris Manning presented the annual report of the Kindergarten Committee prepared by Co-Clerks Ellen Marsden and Heidi Benson. The Kindergarten re-opens for classes at the Meetinghouse on October 12. A grant was obtained by Head of School Deni-lyn Lane to obtain supplies for maintaining sanitary protocols. An Eagle Scout and his father designed and constructed a wonderful outdoor classroom within William's Woods, adding to its many benefits; a note of appreciation will be sent with two books about our Meeting to this young man.

Edna Collins reported on progress by the Ad Hoc committee on growing our Meeting. The meeting website will be updated and the calendar improved. Heidi Benson has offered to update and enhance our Facebook page, and to implement Instagram postings. Anyone with technical expertise is encouraged to join the group. Following results achieved at Kennett and Wilmington Meetings, a hybrid of in-person gathering with Zoom video transmitting is being explored. A recommendation will be forthcoming.

In September, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting sent to each Monthly Meeting a request to respond on three issues—a Climate Change Minute Yearly Meeting is considering, Equality and Racism, and suggestions on the matter of membership in the Society of Friends. Our Meeting held virtual gatherings on each of these requests—Peace & Social Justice Committee invited all members and attenders to participate on the one pertaining to Racism, with Jim Collins reporting to Meeting on this; Denis Newbold and Bob Frye conducting a gathering on Climate Change and reported to Meeting, and Care & Membership committee on Membership, did also. After presentation of all these reports to Meeting (details in the minutes which will be read at November meeting for business), the meeting approved the sending of each of these responses to Philadelphia Yearly Meeting by our Clerk. This was done on October 5.

Peter Weygandt, Clerk

CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER 2020

The Christmas Newsletter will be produced this year by Carolyn Muller and the Meeting InReach Committee. Committee Clerks are invited to send their groups' seasonal greetings to Friends near and farther afield. To be sure your committee's message will be included, please send it to Carolyn at Muller01@zoominternet.net

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION 2020

The Religious Education Committee feels led to celebrate Christmas in a very meaningful way this year. Please give this some thought, and give your suggestions to any member of the committee.

An Antiphon for the Holy Spirit -from "Symphonia"-Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179)*

THE SPIRIT OF GOD

is a life that bestows life,
root of the world-tree
and wind in its boughs.
Scrubbing out sins,
she rubs oil into wounds.

She is glistening life . . .
all-awakening,
all-resurrecting.

The texts are in Latin. Translations vary. Here's one site that gives English translations:
<http://kpshaw.blogspot.com/2016/05/spiritus-sanctus-vivificans.html>

On 10/18, Donald LaBranche conducted a class on Hildegard. If you would like a handout for this class, please contact Gail Newbold at gailnewbold@verizon.net.

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