Birmingham Friends

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December 1, 2024

Vol. XXV, No. 48 Office Hours Monday & Thursday 10 am – 2pm

Sunday Zoom Host

12/01 John Braceland

12/08 Val Suter

12/15 Celia Lang

Sunday Facing Bench Friend

- 12/01 Barbara Quintiliano
- 12/08 Charlie and Deb Gilbert

12/15 Marina Pavluk

Sunday Meeting House Greeter

12/01 Seita Spadoni

12/08 Laurie Lewis

12/15 Dee Kloss

Sunday Tech Assistant

12/01 John Braceland

12/08 Serita Spadoni

12/15 Leslie Leonard

Zoom Meeting Link Sunday Meeting for Worship: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/</u>

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12. Witnessing in the World: Witness and Civic Responsibility

a. What is our meeting doing:

- 1. To become aware of systemic legal, economic and political injustices in our local community?
- 2. To build relationships with other faith communities around common concerns?
- 3. To reduce polarization within the larger community?
- 4. To work together with others to address injustice?

b. How does our meeting assist in restoring public recognition that government fulfills legitimate functions.

c. Am I mindful of how my lifestyle, work-life and investments affect others?

d. Am I open to seeking clearness on matters of conscience? Am I open to assisting others in doing so?

e. Do I fulfill my civic responsibilities when they do not conflict with divine leading?

From Faith & Practice, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, 2017

Calendar



Sunday, December 1, 8:30am – 9:45am: Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business, hybrid. 10am: blended Meeting for Worship. Children & Youth.

Wednesday, December 4, 4pm: Mid-week Meeting for Worship via Zoom.

Sunday, December 8, 10am: blended Meeting for Worship. Youth Committee. Children & Youth.

Wednesday, December 11, 4pm: Mid-week Meeting for Worship via Zoom.

Sunday, December 15, 10am: blended Meeting for Worship. Children & Youth. 1:30pm: Friendly Bible Study, via Zoom.

Wednesday, December 18, 4pm: Mid-week Meeting for Worship via Zoom.

Sunday, December 22, 1:00pm: blended Meeting for Worship. Children & Youth. See Announcements and Events at right for details.

We need food, personal items and monetary donations for the West Chester Food Cupboard and Act in Faith! Please place items in the boxes in the Social Room. Thank you!

Announcements and Events

Friday, December 6, 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM: Meetinghouse by Candlelight. Arch Street Meeting House's annual winter program returns. Step back into the 19th Century at Arch Street Meeting House this holiday season! Join us for an unforgettable First Friday in December, with hands-on crafts, thrilling raffles, and delicious light fare. Music and holiday cheer will fill the air with live performances by students from local Quaker schools. It'll be a night you don't want to miss! For more information and to register (Adults \$5, free for ages 12 and under) visit <u>https://www.historicasmh.org/events-at-asmh/2024/12/meet-inghouse-by-candlelight</u>.

Tuesday, December 10, 6:30pm: The Birmingham Meeting Book Club will meet to discuss <u>The Night Watchman</u> by Louise Erdrich. Please join us at the meetinghouse or by Zoom. Contact Marina Pavluk at <u>marinapavluk1@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Thursday, December 12th, 4:30pm: Julie Senko and Nancy Arnosti have agreed to this date and time to decorate the Meetinghouse for Christmas. Friends have requested to know about this in advance so they could join us if they wish. Anyone is welcome to join us. Bring gardening gloves as greens can be crunchy. All greens will be supplied, cut fresh from Nancy's property.

Dec 22: Meeting for Worship and Christmas Program (please note change of time). Meeting for Worship and Children and Youth Program will begin at 1:00pm. The Friendly Beast pageant and carol sing will be held after worship beginning about 2:15pm. Refreshments will follow. For Friends who would like to worship at our regular time of 10:00 the meetinghouse will be open for you.

December Birthdays								
1	Sheila Wagner	5	Maggie Mitchell		21	Kara Kaniefski		
1	Joshua Young	8	Lucia Jones		24	Maryetta Glancey		
3	Amy McKenney	12	Mason Rump		25	Stephen Woodward		
3	Dick Schramm	13	Anna Frens Ives		27	Tanya Pertzoff-Wells		
4	Andrew Jones	15	Ian Mitchell		31	Laura Izzo		
4	Eric Rufe	21	Val Suter					
December Anniversaries								
20	Ann & Robert Upton			31	Charles & Terry Spadoni			
30	Dale & Susan Frens							

More Zoom Links				
Mid-week Meeting	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83870047629?			
for Worship	pwd=cXJqQXRtNUw4VzZjR1dudm9YS1BIZz09			
(Host – Connie Eash)	Meeting ID: 838 7004 7629 Passcode: 863654			