Faith and Practice of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, the Third Query, on The Meeting Community

Are love and harmony within the Meeting community fostered by a spirit of open sharing? Do you endeavor to widen your circle of friendships within the Meeting, seeking to know persons of all ages and at all stages of the spiritual journey? Does the Meeting provide for the spiritual refreshment of all members and attenders? Do Friends provide spiritual and practical care for the elderly, the lonely, and others with special needs?

WELCOME TO VISITORS!
If this is your first time worshiping with us, please complete a blue welcome sheet and indicate whether you’d like to receive our monthly newsletter. If you wish, introduce yourself when invited at the rise of worship. Everyone is welcome to stay for a free simple lunch after worship - it’s a good opportunity to learn about Homewood.

PLEASE SIGN UP on the HOSPITALITY BOARD in the meeting room to prepare a simple lunch. It can be as simple as you want it to be, and instructions are available. Even if you can’t provide simple lunch, bring in whatever leftovers you have, whether for 2 people or 5.

WICKER BASKET COLLECTION: MARCH
The Wicker Basket recipient for March is International Rescue Committee. We respond to the world’s worst crises helping refugees to survive, recover and rebuild their lives. Find Baltimore Quaker Peace and Justice Committee on Facebook: https://facebook.com/BQPJC.

EVENTS TODAY (MARCH 31):
FIRST DAY SCHOOL: We will travel to Gunpowder Friends Meeting, one of most beautiful rural meetings around. If you would like to attend and carpool, please call John McKusick at 410-830-9225 by Saturday evening. Meeting for Worship at Gunpowder begins at 10:00 a.m. Childcare in the nursery will be available for those who do not go on the trip.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: 12:15 in the Susan B. Anthony Room.

UPCOMING EVENTS:
HYMN SINGING, Sunday, April 7 (first Sunday), 10:00 - 10:20 a.m. in the meeting room, led by Dave Sydlik. Join us!

MEETING FOR BUSINESS: Sunday, April 7, 12:30 p.m. in the meeting room. Childcare is available.

YAF (YOUNG ADULT FRIENDS) POTLUCK: April 7 (first Sunday). Contact Maya Muñoz (301-703-0522) or Dave Sydlik (484-264-8489) for details.
TRUSTEES HAS FUNDS to support children and adults who would like to attend Quaker gatherings, camps, and educational institutions. Members and regular attenders may apply at any time for up to one grant per calendar year. These funds would supplement other resources available to the participant. For more information and for the application form, please see our website page: https://homewoodfriends.org/memberresources/scholarships/.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING are much appreciated. Contributions support the maintenance of the Meeting and our donations to designated service organizations. Please place cash and checks in the box in the meeting room or deliver to the office. PayPal is available on the Homewood Meeting website. Look for the word "Donate" in our Website’s menu bar, which is near the top of every page. Thank you.

HOMEWOOD CAMPING TRIP AT CAMP CATOCTIN: Friday evening, April 26th - Sunday morning, April 28th. Come for two nights, one night, or just a day, but do come! Hiking, games, music, fellowship, and great food - all provided by our Religious Education Committee. Signup sheet and instructions are available (see John McKusick). Deadline to sign up is April 19th. No fee!

GEDCO’S CARES FOOD PANTRY: The Pantry is low on the following items: canned tuna and canned fruit. Please leave contributions in the box in the main floor hallway.

HIGH TIDE AT DORCHESTER: Friday, April 12, 7:00 p.m. at the Meetinghouse. GOAT presents the screening of this Bay Journal documentary, which will be followed by a talk by film producer and environmentalist Tom Horton.

QUAKER BOOK CLUB: Sunday, April 14, 9:15 a.m. in the dining room. We will discuss Chapter 2 (pages 67-112) of Practicing Peace by Catherine Whitmire. Copies of the reading are available on the table in the library, and you can order the book: https://quakerbooks.org/products/practicing-peace-4073.

SPECIALLY CALLED MEETING FOR BUSINESS: Sunday, April 14, during our regular worship time. We will discuss a draft of the Spiritual State of the Meeting report. Following 30 minutes’ worship, we will move into a 30 minute Meeting with a Concern for Business. This is a good opportunity for those who do not normally attend a meeting for business to experience it and to give input into the report. FESTIVE LUNCH to follow.

HOLDING IN THE LIGHT PEOPLE TOUCHED BY MURDER IN BALTIMORE: Sunday, April 14, 12:30 - 1:00 in the library. The Meeting for Healing format for the group continues. If you have questions, please contact Susan Smith, Cathleen Hanson or Stan Becker.


“Take heed, dear Friends, to the promptings of love and truth in your hearts, which are the leadings of God.”

--London Yearly Meeting