

Plymouth Monthly Meeting Newsletter

Meetings for Worship

First Day Plain worship, no Zoom, 10-11 First Day Meeting blended worship: 11:15 am

Fourth Day Meeting: 7:00 pm

(blended)

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May 2023

Sun	May 7	9:00 am	Quarterly Meeting at Norristown (live)
Sun	May 7	2:00 – 4:00 pm	Flower & Shrub Planting Event at the Meetinghouse
Sun	May 7	2:00 – 6:00 pm	20th Annual Philadelphia Interfaith Peace Walk
Sat	May 13	6:30 pm	Lighthouse Coffeehouse concert at Abington Friends
Sat	May 13	7:30 pm	Gwynedd Coffeehouse – Whirlwind Quintet
Sun	May 14	6:00 pm	Worship & Ministry via Zoom
Tues	May 9	4:30 pm	Land Acknowledgement Committee (blended)
Fri/Sat	May 12 & 13	7:00 pm	PMFS Spring Spectacular - Steinbright Auditorium
Sun	May 21	9:00 am	Meeting for Business (blended)
Sun	May 28	After Meeting	Friendly Fourth

June 2023

Fri	June 2	7:00 pm	Peace & Social Concerns (blended)
Sat	June 4	11:00am – 2:00 pm	Strawberry Festival at PMFS
Sat	June 3	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	AFSC sale and Gwynedd Meetinghouse
Tues	June 6	7:00 pm	Care & Concern via Zoom
Sun	June 11	6:00 pm	Worship & Ministry via Zoom
Tues	June 13	4:30 pm	Land Acknowledgement Committee (blended)
Sun	June 18	9:00 am	Meeting for Business (blended)
Sun	June 25	After Meeting	Friendly Fourth/Annual picnic

- All First Day Meetings for Worship will begin at 10:00 (Plain worship, no Zoom) and 11:15 am (blended worship). Masks are not required but we will continue to social distance. Wednesday evening Meeting for Worship begins at 7:00pm and will also be held via Zoom as well as in person in the Meetinghouse (blended).
- PMM Zoom information always available at office@plymouthmeetingquakers.org

Queries for May

Grounding for Transformed Lives: Equality and Justice

- How does our meeting benefit from established patterns of prejudice, exploitation and economic convenience? What are we doing to change this?
- How and how often does our meeting engage in a self-examination of its attitudes and actions regarding race, ability, gender, sexual orientation or class?
- What steps are we taking as a meeting to inform ourselves about social injustice and ecological violence embedded in our political and economic systems?
- What steps are we taking as a meeting to assure that our meeting and the committees and institutions under our care are respectful of the earth and its people?
- Do I regularly examine myself for attitudes and behavior that indicate any hidden prejudice regarding race, gender, sexual orientation, disability or class?
- How do my lifestyle choices affect—positively or negatively—the causes of justice and peace in our nation, the community of nations and the whole of creation?
- How do I demonstrate in my way of living, and in what I teach my children, that love of God entails acknowledging "that of God in every person"?

Peace Walk Sunday, May 7 2:00 – 6:00 pm

The 20th Annual Philadelphia Interfaith Peace Walk is being held on Sunday, May 7th. From the website: "We invite people of all faiths to join us on a spiritual journey...As we walk we will lament war and loss of life. We will pray for the safety and freedom of all people. We will embrace hope, not fear. The true pathway of peace is God's desire for love and justice, not military might. Join with us to show that peace between people of all faiths is possible Let us call out Salaam. Let us call out Shalom. Let us call out Peace in the language of Love."

Starts: Unitarian Universalists of Mt Airy – 6900 Stenton Ave, Philadelphia

Walking to: Masjidullah – 7401 Limekiln Pike, Philadelphia

More information at: https://www.interfaithpeacewalk.org/peacewalk

News from the Meeting

Flower & Shrub Planting Event

Sunday, May 7th 2:00 – 4:00 pm (rescheduled due to weather)

Come join us plant native flowers and shrubs in front of the meetinghouse. If you have gloves, please bring them, but we will also have gloves and gardening tools available for kids and adults. Light refreshments will be available.

News from the School

During April the 4th grade visited Washington, D.C. for four days taking in history and museums. The 2nd grade had a weekend camping trip. And a schoolwide ArtsFest with art on exhibit, drama performances and student demonstrations of their art and music abilities also took place in April.

Spring Fundraiser - Bloom Box Runs April 23 - May 23

Locally grown plants and gardening supplies delivered directly to your door in 3 days. Use code **PlymouthMF15** at checkout - 15% of your order goes directly to PMFS. Order online at: www.getblooming.com

Plymouth Meeting's Friends School "Come Alive" Spring Spectacular Friday May 12 and Saturday May 13

Come one, come all to this year's Spring Spectacular, "Come Alive!". This special collaboration of the annual PMFS Production and Circus will take place on May 12th and 13th at 7:00pm in the Steinbright Auditorium.

This year's performance is loosely based on "The Greatest Showman" and is appropriate for all ages. We hope that alumni and friends will join us for this unique presentation from our fourth, fifth, and sixth graders. Get your tickets ahead of time at: https://www.pmfs1780.org/circus#

Strawberry Festival 2023

Saturday, June 3rd 11 am - 2 pm

Open to the public this year! Fun for the whole family with games, music, face painting, vendors and fresh food. And..the famous Strawberry Shortcakes. Free entrance and cash only. **Friday, June 2nd - Hulling Strawberries -** volunteers invited to join PTO prepping strawberries for the shortcakes in the Annie H. Wilson Room 8:30 am -11 am.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need Friends from Meeting to volunteer some time at the Strawberry Festival to man the table with PMM information on it. Please contact Mike Mrozinski to let him know if you're available to be a Quaker Presence that day.