

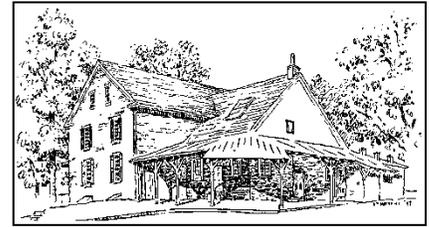
West Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends

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Welcome to Meeting for Worship. If you are a visitor, please sign the guestbook on the table near the High Street entrance, and help yourself to literature there. Please join us after Meeting for refreshments.

Audio devices are available from the Greeter.

Calendar

Sunday, 11/1: 10am WCMM Youth RE program; Online and Together 10:30am

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Tuesday, 10/10: Quakerism 101 class 7-8pm

Sunday, 11/15: 10am WCMM Youth RE program; Online and Together 10:30am; Community Day

Sunday, 11/22: 10am WCMM Youth RE program; Online and Together 10:30am

11/25-11/30: WCFS closed

Sunday, 11/29: 10am WCMM Youth RE program; Online and Together 10:30am

Announcements

11/1/20

West Chester Meeting: Online and Together

Children's Meeting and YPG will gather together at 10:00 AM. Same link as WCMM Meeting for Worship below!

10:30-11:30am All friends Gather together at the Meetinghouse or across our homes for waiting worship.

Join URL: <https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/582447487>

Or phone: (646) 558-8656

Meeting ID: 582 447 487

Password: Friends

Families who are attending online -- children can settle in with you for waiting worship, and you can have books, coloring and snacks ready. Because we use "mute" online unless sharing vocal ministry, you can do what works best for your family and be in community at the same time.

In keeping with the PA Stay at Home Phased Reopening plan we are limiting gathering at the Meetinghouse to the number appropriate with Chester County's current reopening phase and asking all who gather to wear a mask or fabric face covering unless medically exempt and to practice social distancing.

Save the dates for a special program! Chris Smith will be facilitating a **Quakerism 101 class**: Building on Our Past, Looking to Our Future on **Tuesday evenings from 7 -8 pm** offered in person at the meetinghouse and by Zoom. Sessions will be recorded for future viewing. **The last installment is November**

10-Relevance in the Present: Where Do We Go From Here? This program will provide food for thought for people at all stages of the journey— newer members, attenders and long time members. Please join us! Any questions, contact Marina Pavluk at Marinapavlu1@gmail.com

Youth Religious Education programs continue online in November, with the theme of "Sharing Our Light." This will include an all-ages Community Worship on November 15 and a celebration of gratitude with a "Meeting Gratitude Tree." **It's time to return your leaves for the tree!** Children and parents who received felt leaves in their care

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packages from meeting this fall: please write something you're thankful for on a leaf and mail them to Melinda in the mailer provided. Thanks!

The Anti-Racism Action Group encourages members and attenders of West Chester Meeting to **support black owned local businesses**. Supporting black owned local businesses can help close the racial wealth gap, strengthen local economies and foster job creation. As you look ahead and start thinking about holiday shopping, consider making purchases from one or more of these businesses. Join in our action item for the month of October! Please visit these sites for more: <https://wcasj.org/black-owned-businesses/> List of Eateries owned by Black members of our community and any close surrounding areas on Facebook: Bryant Bros Smokehouse <https://www.facebook.com/bryant.bros.35> Dino Ice Cream Truck <https://www.facebook.com/dinosicecreamtruck/> Mabel's BBQ <https://www.facebook.com/mabelsbarbeque/> Miss Winnie's Jamaican Jerk <https://www.facebook.com/winniesjerk/> Scoops & Smiles Ice Cream & Water Ice <https://www.facebook.com/ScoopsandSmile-sicecream/> Sweet Enthusiasm <https://www.facebook.com/SweetEnthusiasm/> Sweet Jazmine's Bakery <https://www.facebook.com/sweetjazmines/> Sweet Side Sweets <https://www.facebook.com/SweetSide-Sweet/> The Trio's Treats <https://www.facebook.com/TheTriosTreats/> Welcome to the Avenue <https://www.facebook.com/lovetheavenue/>

Our annual end of year food and gift card donation campaign to the West Chester Food Cupboard (WCFC) must change due to COVID-19 and Social Room activity. The Witness and Outreach Committee wants to remind each of us that food insecurity is even more critical now, than before, as families struggle. WCMM needs to continue to do our part to help our community. The WCFC is serving their clients experiencing food insecurity three days a week with a "drive-up" model.

You have three options to support the WCFC!

1- Checks and gift cards for Giant or ShopRite, can be mailed to the West Chester Food Cupboard (431 S. Bolmar St. West Chester, PA 19382).

2- On-line donations are easy to make either for a one-time gift or a monthly pledge by clicking this link <https://westchesterfoodcupboard.org/donate-2/>

3- Drop off **ONLY** these items to WCFC on Monday – Saturday 8:30am – 11:30am. A great family COVID volunteer project! **Unexpired, Non-Perishable Food Items:** canned meat, canned fruit, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce (cans or plastic jars), hearty soups, canned fruit. **Personal Care Items:** soaps, toothpaste, toilet paper, diapers (size 5 & 6), baby wipes, feminine products

Mail-in and absentee ballot applications for the November 3, 2020, general election must be received by your county election office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2020. The link for requesting mail-in ballot is <https://www.pavoterservices.pa.gov/OnlineAbsenteeApplication/#/OnlineAbsenteeBegin>.

PYM's Fall Continuing Sessions will be November 7, 10am-4pm. Please join us virtually for a day in worshipful community together! The day will include an extended, multigenerational worship in the morning; our first ever Community Lunch around our virtual table; Youth Programs in the afternoon; followed by multigenerational worship sharing in small groups. To Register: <https://www.pym.org/continuing-sessions/register/> To Register for Youth Programs: <https://www.pym.org/religious-education/upcoming-youth-programs-calendar/>



The artist and the Quaker are on the same internal journey. Each is seeking a relationship with the Divine, and each is seeking a way to express that relationship. There are just many different ways of expressing it. For many the path to the Self has to be entered by way of the arts, whether or not we are gifted in that field. That doesn't seem to matter. As St. Paul says: If we have not love, we are as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. And for many of us, the pathway to love is through the arts... The process of working with and forming material things can lead beyond them to the spiritual, and shape of clay or colors of paint can be a window into another world.

- Janet Mustin, 1992

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