

MEETING FOR WORSHIP OPENING STATEMENT (Blended)

(10:35) Welcome to Homewood Friends' meeting for worship.

We are continuing to get to know our new sound system and we are using traveling mics. If you are in the meeting room and feel moved to offer a message out of our silent worship this morning, please rise from where you are seated and a traveling mic will be brought to you. Bring the microphone 2-3 inches from your mouth, horizontal to the floor, and speak at a normal volume. After your message, the mic will be picked up and you may sit down.

If you are speaking via Zoom, please mute yourself after speaking. There will be no recording.

Allow a period of silence after any previous message.

The Quaker experience is that each of us has a measure of that radically loving spirit which guides us to live justly and peaceably. In worship, we enter into stillness of body and mind in order to feel that spirit of love within and among us, to give ourselves over to it, and to discern what it would have us do.

Closing Meeting for Worship (blended)

(11:30) It is our custom at the close of meeting to provide Friends with an opportunity to share joys and sorrows, or to request that we hold someone in the Light or pray for them. {Allow time for that.}

Good morning and welcome!

If you are a newcomer this morning, or if you would like to re-introduce yourself, you may introduce yourself if you feel comfortable doing so. You might also let us know how you happen to be with us today. Are there visitors here in the meeting room who would like to introduce themselves? And on Zoom?

To receive our weekly announcements and monthly newsletter, please complete a blue welcome sheet, available here in the meeting room. Online visitors can contact the Homewood office to be added to the email list.

And now it's time for announcements. Are there any from Friends in the meeting room? (Please say your name first.) And from those of you on Zoom?

Anyone who has questions about Quakerism or how to join Homewood Friends Meeting is welcome to talk with members of the Ministry and Counsel Committee. My name is _____. Would others on that committee please introduce themselves now? First in the meeting room and then on Zoom.

Contributions to the Meeting are welcome. You may drop them in the box near the back door, or mail them to the Meeting office, or use the Donate button on our website.

Meeting for Worship has now ended. Take a moment to greet your neighbors now. Handshakes are based on your comfort level. Those of you on Zoom can enjoy some fellowship. Here in the meetinghouse, please join us for simple lunch downstairs.

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If necessary during worship:

Homewood Friends Meeting seeks to be a diverse community which comes together in worship and action. Because Homewood Friends Meeting affirms the worth and dignity of each person, we strive to actively dismantle systemic racism and its harmful effects within ourselves, our community and the larger society. **A message has been given that could be interpreted by some to not be in the spirit of inclusive love. We urge those who are troubled to contact the office who will connect them with members of the Ministry and Counsel Committee.**