

— 2-1-2026 —

# Homewood Friends Meeting

## Announcements

Homewood Office:

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***Faith and Practice of Baltimore Yearly Meeting***, the First Query: **Meetings for Worship** Are meetings for worship held in expectant waiting for Divine guidance? Are Friends encouraged to share spiritual insights? Are special gifts of ministry recognized and encouraged? Do you come to meeting with heart and mind prepared? Are you careful not to disturb the spirit of the meeting by late arrival or in other ways?

### Regularly Scheduled

#### Meeting for Worship

**EVERY SUNDAY** 10:30-11:30, Meeting Room

[For Zoom option, join here.](#)

Simple Lunch afterwards.

#### Nelson Mandela Study Group

**FIRST SUNDAYS 2/1** 9:15 AM, Mott room

Reading Black Fire; no prior reading required

#### Meeting for Business

**FIRST SUNDAYS 2/1** 12:30 PM, Meeting room

#### Vigil for Nonviolence

**FIRST FRIDAYS 2/6** 5 PM, Charles St.

#### Faith and Practice Study

**SECOND SUNDAYS 2/8** 9:15 AM

[\(more info on BYM Faith and Practice\)](#)

#### Bible Study

**THIRD SUNDAYS 2/15** 9:15 A.M. , Mott room

#### Library Committee

**THIRD SUNDAYS 2/15** 12:15 PM, Library

#### Community and Outreach Team

**THIRD SUNDAYS 2/15** 12:30 PM, Anthony room

#### Simple Meeting for Worship

**LAST SUNDAYS 2/22** 9 AM, Library

#### Quaker 101 Videos/Discussion

**FOURTH SUNDAYS 2/22** Rise of Meeting

### First Day 2-1-26

**BLACK FIRE READING GROUP: Sun. 2/1 at 9:15 AM in the Lucretia Mott room** This is the first session! Gather on 1st Sundays of the month to read from the book Black Fire: African Americans Quakers on Spirituality and Human Rights. Copies may be purchased online at [Quakerbooks.org](#) (or you can find used copies on other sites). If you don't have a copy yet, people can share copies. The readings will be short enough so that we can do them aloud and discuss.

#### **MEETING FOR WORSHIP: 10:30 AM**

Followed by a simple lunch in the dining room.

#### **MEETING FOR BUSINESS: 12:30 PM**

### Upcoming

#### **QUARTERLY COMMUNITY POTLUCK: Sat. 1/31**

**from 4 to 7 PM** Potluck, including a game night or simply time to have fellowship with Friends of all ages. Drop in at any time 4-7.

#### **PALESTINE/ISRAEL MEETING: Sun. 2/8 at 12:30**

The Spirit Led Action Group on Palestine and Israel is working on many ways Homewood Friends can support a just peace in Palestine. If you'd like to help, please come to our next meeting on First Day, 2/8 from 12:30-1:30pm in the Lucretia Mott room, following simple lunch.

## Experiment with Light ([info](#)) EVERY THURSDAY 7 PM [On Zoom](#)

## QUAKER WORLD

**Q.V.M:** Quaker Voice of Maryland is our voice in Annapolis! In 2025, QVM supported bills on the climate and our environment, criminal justice reform, protection for immigrants, and for access to affordable housing. [Click here to let QVM know](#) your interests and register to receive action alerts that affect you and your priorities.

### **NATIONAL QUAKER CALL:**

**1/25 7:00-8:30 PM on Zoom** A spiritually grounded space for Friends to listen, share, and discern your call to witness for Truth during these dangerous, upsetting times. The theme for this call is "From Exhaustion to Enthusiasm: Joyful Resistance in a Time of Tyranny". [Register here](#).

### **FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION**

1/29 AT 8 PM: "Building Power Amidst Chaos: Major Opportunities in 2026" Hear from FCNL's policy and advocacy teams. [Register here to get the Zoom link](#).

**ELECTRIFY OUR HOMES: Wed. 2/11 at 7 PM** Green Organizing Action Team workshop led by our very own green home experts (Thom and Andrea J.). Learn strategies for electrification, focusing on building shell improvements and equipment, including HVAC, water heaters, stoves, and solar options. Incentives for market rate customers and programs for low-income households will also be discussed.

**CLIMATE CAFE: Sat. 2/14 at 2 PM** A "Climate Café" is coming to Homewood on Feb. 14. Drawing inspiration from the "Death Café" concept, a "Climate Café" is a space focused specifically on ecological grief. The grief may be prompted by climate disruption, loss of ecosystems and species, or fear of a deadly future, if not for us, for our neighbors and descendants. Tara Reilly, who brought Death Cafés to Homewood Meeting in the past year, will facilitate the Climate Café. There is free-flowing conversation for an hour and we conclude with coffee, tea, and cake. Participation is capped at 15 people; [SIGN UP FOR CLIMATE CAFE](#).

### **Extended Meeting for SSOM: Sun. 2/22 10:30-12 PM**

Each year, Homewood Friends assesses the Spiritual State of our Meeting and submits a report to Baltimore Yearly Meeting. As part of that process, we will have an extended Meeting for Worship (until noon) on 2/22 so that we can worship-share on 3 queries:

1. What do we mean by "Spirit" and how do we live together faithfully amid our different understandings of it?
2. Are our lives- individually and as a Meeting- truly aligned with what we say we believe?
3. Are we listening and responding to Spirit together in ways that nurture one another and lead us into loving action?

## Notices

**SUPPORT OUR IMMIGRANT NEIGHBORS:** Are you interested in joining with other Homewood Friends to help support and protect our immigrant neighbors? If so, please [visit this link to sign up](#) and answer a few questions about your contact information, skills, and interests. You'll be kept informed about events and community needs. All levels of time commitment and skills are needed! If you can make a sign, play with kids, change a light bulb, or make copies, you can help. For questions, please contact Dominique Zeltzman at dzeltzm1@gmail.com or Samantha Hack at samantha.m.hack@proton.me