

Homewood Friends Meeting Presents:

Quaker Foundations

Five Mondays in March
March 2nd-30th - 7-8:30 PM
via ZOOM

This basic class in Quakerism provides an introduction for newcomers and a refresher for members and attenders through a diversity of perspectives. These sessions provide a strong foundation of understanding regarding the ideals of Quakers as well as opportunities for spiritual and personal development within the Religious Society of Friends.

Five Sessions:

- 3/2 Quaker Faith and Practice
- 3/9 Quaker Worship and Vocal Ministry
- 3/16 Quaker History
- 3/23 When Friends Get Down To Business—Quaker Process
- 3/30 Living your Quaker Testimony

Friends are encouraged to commit to participating in all five sessions. However, if that is not feasible, participate when you can.

Please [REGISTER](#) in order to get the Zoom Link.

Homewood Friends, with gratitude, has developed this series based upon an adaptation of the [Friends Meeting of Washington \(FMW\) Quakerism 101 course](#). For those of you who are unable to attend the Homewood course the FMW course can be used as a self-study course.

Look below to see links to advance readings/videos

Session 1: Quaker Faith and Practice	
Date	Monday, March 2
Facilitators	Sarah Bur & Tara Reilly
Advance Readings/ Videos	Watch Quaker Speak Video: What Do Quakers Believe? (19 min.) Download Baltimore Yearly Meeting Faith & Practice . Read pp 9-10. <i>"The Quaker Experience"</i>
Resources during session	Quaker Speak Video: What is a Book of Quaker Faith and Practice Quaker Speak Video: Making Space for Faith Quaker Speak Video: The Quaker Practice of Discernment
Session 2: Quaker Worship and Vocal Ministry	
Date	Monday, March 9
Facilitators	Kevin-Douglas Olive
Advance Readings/ Videos	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quaker Meeting for Worship, Part 1: Listening (Video, 9 min.) 2. Quaker Meeting for Worship, Part 2: Speaking (Video, 7:30 min.) <p>To go deeper after the session (but feel free to look at beforehand if you have time!)</p> <p>To the degree practicable, we recommend watching as many or all the videos for <u>Session 2</u> from the Friends Meeting of Washington Quakerism 101 .</p> <p>Also, please read the brief selection from Baltimore Yearly Meeting's Faith and Practice, pp. 11-13, pertaining to advice about Meeting for Worship, Vocal Ministry, and Challenges in Meeting.</p>

Session 3: Quaker History	
Date	Monday, March 16
Facilitators	Gary Gillespie & Andres Lobo
Advance Readings/ Videos	
Session 4: When Friends Get Down To Business—Quaker Process	
Date	Monday, March 23
Facilitators	Susan Russell Walters & Polly Heninger
Advance Readings/ Videos	Read essay and watch Quaker Speak video: What is a Quaker Meeting for Business? (Online article, 1 page and video, 10 min.) Read: Quaker Business Basics (Online participation guide, 6 min.) Read: When Quakers Disagree (Online article, 5 min.)
Further Learning	<p>The Role of Those Present and The Role of the Clerk by Arthur Larrabee revised by Steve Mohlke</p> <p><i>Beyond Consensus</i> by Barry Morley Pendle Hill pamphlet #307. Available in Homewood Library</p> <p><i>Quaker Process for Friends on the Benches</i> by Mathilda Navias Available in Homewood Library - call # 289.6 then author last name</p> <p><i>Beyond Majority Rule</i> by Michael J. Sheeran Available in Homewood Library - call # 289.6 then author last name</p> <p>Session 5 from Friends Meeting of Washington Quakerism 101</p>

Session 5: Living Your Quaker Testimony

Date	Monday, March 30
Facilitators	Barbara Bezdek
Advance Readings/ Videos	<p>Read the opening essay in advance, and watch together a few short videos:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Friends Witness in the World2. What do Quakers mean by “Integrity”? https://quaker.org/integrity/3. Buckley, on SPICES, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mzAAbRtzjCE&t=1s4. The Quaker Peace Testimony/ Quaker Speaks, Adria Gulizia, QS video5. Dreaming of Wholeness, https://quakerspeak.com/video/dreaming-of-wholeness-quakers-and-the-future-of-racial-healing/ - Sterling Duns6. Quakers and Political Activism, https://quakerspeak.com/video/quaker-vision-political-activism/ <p>(presenters’ ppt: QUAKER TESTIMONIES.pptx)</p>
Conclusion	