Glasgow Quaker News
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NOTE THAT ALL MEETINGS ARE NOW IN THE UNITARIAN HOUSE
72 BERKELEY STREET, GLASGOW, G3 7DS

Sun 1 November	11.00 Meeting for Worship In the Unitarian House and by Zoom 13.00 Local Meeting for Business in the Unitarian House and by Zoom
Mon 2 November	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below 7.30 – 8.30 Friends Fellowship of Healing by Zoom – see below
Tues 3 November	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 4 November	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom 15.00 Experiment with light – see below
Thurs 5 November	12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench
Sat 7 November	14.00 – 16.30 Centering Prayer Workshop – see below
Sun 8 November	11.00 Meeting for Worship In the Unitarian House and by Zoom 11.00 Meeting for Worship at Faslane Naval Base – see below
Mon 9 November	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below
Tues 10 November	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 11 November	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom 15.00 Experiment with light – see below
Thurs 12 November	12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench
Sun 15 November	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom
Mon 16 November	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below
Tues 17 November	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 18 November	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom 15.00 Experiment with light – see below
Thurs 19 November	12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench
Sat 21 November	Quaker walk – see below

Sun 22 November 11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom

Mon 23 November 5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below

Tues 24 November 8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below

Wed 25 November 12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom
15.00 Experiment with light – see below

Thurs 26 November 12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench

Sun 29 November 11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House - no Zoom
Additional Meeting for Worship at the home of Althea Stewart – see below

Mon 30 November 7pm Young Friends Epilogue at the Unitarian House

On **Sunday 29th November**, the 5th Sunday of the month, when there is no zoom, we will be holding an additional small meeting for worship at the home of Althea Stewart on the South side from 11am to midday. If you would like to go along please could you contact Althea by e mail - altheacarola.stewart @gmail.com. Please don't arrive without letting her know as the space in her home is limited to 10.

Email circulation – If you wish to have something circulated within the Meeting, please email it to Clive Potter at Mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk

Note that the email list is for use by those in Glasgow Meeting to communicate information on social and spiritual matters.

Social media. Please send any items to be posted on Instagram or Facebook to socialmedia@glasgowquakers.org.uk. Images particularly welcome for Instagram.

QUAKER BUSINESS MEETINGS

At our last (October) meeting we heard about the financial situation and the need for donations from our Treasurer, Neil Barton. Please read his note on page 7.

The next Meeting for Worship for Business is on **Sunday 1 November** at 1pm in the Unitarian House. We are not able to provide lunch beforehand for those attending so please bring your own.

CENTERING PRAYER WORKSHOP

Saturday 7 November, 2 – 4.30pm

Following discussion with Elders and the Learning Committee of Glasgow Quaker Meeting, Phillida Ball and Nicola Maharg are offering the second of two workshops on Centering Prayer at The Unitarian House, 72 Berkeley Street, Glasgow G3 7DS. You do not have to have attended the first to come to the second. The workshop is free.

Centering Prayer is an ecumenical form of contemplative prayer that was developed in the 1970s by a Trappist monk Thomas Keating and his community in America. It was inspired by *The Cloud of Unknowing*, a book written by an anonymous 14th century English writer who wrote, 'God can be held fast by means of love but of thought never'. It is a simple method for opening to the divine presence of God and one that may be particularly suitable to Friends. Ideally it is practised twice a day for 20 minutes.

There will be a break half-way for tea and refreshments. All are welcome.

If you are interested in attending the workshop, please email Nicola Maharg by Saturday 31 October nicola.james53@gmail.com

MEETING FOR WORSHIP AT FASLANE NAVAL BASE

Sunday 8th November

Faslane Naval Base houses the Trident Nuclear Submarines. We meet for an hour from 11am outside the North Gate as a witness to peace and against nuclear weapons.

There are some rocks to sit on or you can bring a folding chair. Parking is available outside the Faslane cemetery on the right just past the north gate.

For more information and to share lifts, contact Daphne Wassermann:
daphnew@cantab.net

QUAKER WALKS

The next walk is on Saturday November 21st from Cardross to Balloch. Cardross station has recently won the Royal Horticultural Society award for Railway Stations in Bloom.

If you would like to be added to the mailing list and for further details, please contact Daphne – daphnew@cantab.net

PEACE BENCH

The 20 minute Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench will continue every Thursday at 12 midday. All welcome.

For further information contact Jenny Copsey: jennifercopsey@yahoo.co.uk

CLIMATE CAFÉ

From Doreen Osborne

The Climate Cafe continues online via our WhatsApp group.
Feel free to post details of upcoming events or reports of what you've been up to there. If you are not on this group, do send your mobile phone number to climate.cafe@glasgowquakers.org.uk and we will add you.

The group notes the following events on AI.

Citizens Assembly on Artificial Intelligence: Sunday 8th November, 1 - 4:30pm, @ The Pyramid at Anderston, Glasgow. (This is a short walk from our new Meeting House.) You do not have to be an expert on AI: everyone's voice needs to be heard. Everyone welcome! The Glasgow Assembly will be one of several taking place across the UK which will contribute to the creation of a People's Charter on AI. For more details, see https://assemble.qomon.org/action/39a4d41f-glasgow-assembly-on-ai

Stop AI Data Centres – Scotland March Saturday 14 November Assemble at 11.30am, March 12pm, Rally 1pm-3pm Top of the Royal Mile, Edinburgh Join folk from across Scotland in Edinburgh to demand that the people have a say on AI data centres! A few of us from our Climate Cafe are planning on joining this: more information in the Climate Cafe WhatsApp group. You can email climate.cafe@glasgowquakers.org.uk to join

THE QUAKER HEALING GROUP: Friends Fellowship of Healing

The group meets regularly by Zoom from 7.30 - 8.30pm on the first Monday of each month. All welcome. Further details from Nicola James Maharg: nicola.james53@gmail.com

YOUNG FRIENDS MONDAY NIGHT EPILOGUES

Young Friends Epilogue continues to meet at the Unitarian House in Berkeley St on the last Monday of each month at 7pm for chat with tea coffee and snacks, and at 7.30 to 8.00 pm for a meeting for worship. The next date is November 30th.

Please contact Rosemary Morgan for further information or to be added to the Young Friends WhatsApp group.
rosemary.morgan1@gmail.com

All friends of 18 to 35 ish are very welcome to come along.

Subsequent date is 28th December (to be confirmed).

QUAKER B&B

We run a B&B scheme in Friends' houses in aid of funds for Glasgow meeting. If you can offer space in your home, contact Mary Alice Mansell – mamansell54@gmail.com.

One of our guests, Alison Butterfield, who attends Bunhill Fields Meeting in London, has offered to provide B&B for Glasgow Quakers. She lives in Bermondsey, London SE1. If you would like to take her up on this offer, contact Mary Alice Mansell or Daphne Wassermann for her contact details.

QUAKERS IN SCOTLAND EVENTS

Note that Quaker events can be advertised on the QiS website if they are open to all Scottish Friends. Contact David Sterrat david@sterrat.me.uk

Work that reconnects weekend 13-15 november

The Work that Reconnects responds to the existential, spiritual and material crisis we face in these turbulent times, and builds our capacity for loving resilience.

Chris Booth, Jane Lewis and Lesley Morrison will, on behalf of SESAM (South East Scotland Area Meeting), be offering a weekend residential workshop, using silent worship, time spent in the natural world, mindfulness, ritual, poetry and song for Scottish Quakers at Wiston Lodge, near Biggar, 13-15 November 2026.

Due to the event being generously supported by SESAM, for which we are grateful, costs should not be a barrier to anyone attending.

We welcome all Friends, teens and children, with childcare available.
Further information is being circulated. Please contact Lesley Morrison (lesleyjmorrison3@gmail.com) with any queries.

REGULAR QUAKER MEETINGS

Meeting for Worship

Sundays at 11am in the Unitarian House.
Wednesdays at 12.30 in the Unitarian House.
All Meetings are also on Zoom – see below.

Zoom

Meetings continue by Zoom on Sundays at 11am and Wednesdays at 12.30.
The links are listed below. Note that there is no Zoom on the 5th Sunday.

Note that you are encouraged to stay on the Zoom after the meeting has finished to chat to each other. The host will mute the room and turn the video off so you aren't distracted by those in the room.

Sundays (except 5th Sundays)
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82975187161?pwd=TdNxFMmTcFU9PHsDoc7KxAUGOfg3k7.1
Meeting ID: 829 7518 7161
Passcode: 394316

Wednesdays
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87099013382?pwd=zp0rbwnJ0VajIrb3rQcYetL2bSDSXZ.1
Meeting ID: 870 9901 3382
Passcode: 398094

Time for Stillness

Every Tuesday, 8.00 to 8.30am

A reminder that Time for Stillness (T4S) is every Tuesday morning 7.50am for an 8am start. It is a lovely way to start your day, gathering withf/Friends in Stillness.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81611576903?pwd=FKiwGpJesg9zoahnkszvOH5yGYQGTi.1
Meeting ID: 816 1157 6903
Passcode: 750267

Deepening Spirituality

Early morning meeting at 10am on 1 and 15 November

We meet on the first and third Sundays of the month at 10am for a silent half hour then chat and discuss.
Open to all.
Any queries contact Margaret Roy.
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7613798296?pwd=enZDWS9iRHNHUllZR2dBb3N2YjBoZz09
Meeting ID: 761 379 8296
Passcode: EwLWed

Experiment with light

Wednesdays 3pm to 4pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86119430599?pwd=nZJR58aEOye59nfMNmXbYfLmqFCIfh.1
Meeting ID: 861 1943 0599
Passcode: 710072

Quakers in Europe Prayer Group

Saturdays 08:30 to 9.30 am

For further information contact Mary Troup, marytroup2001@gmail.com or 07776146265

Sunday evening online Meeting for Worship

The meeting is open from 7.15pm to give time to say hello and settle in. The worship starts at 7.30pm for half an hour after which there is time for chat.
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85320172452?pwd=Y21aXNuHocwL3LOZb4CmPHR9i87wXe.1

Meeting ID: 853 2017 2452 Passcode: 563890
If anyone has any difficulties please call Kate Gulliver on her mobile 07596 725387.

Monday Quaker Community

Every Monday from 5.15. to 6pm. Join us for a chat and catch up followed by a period of worship.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84307363243?pwd=Tllv0ACzUMRkZpRRc74hFrSk1iZsr1.1
Meeting ID: 843 0736 3243
Passcode: 471822

To join the mailing list, please contact Sheila Semple at Sheila.semple@btinternet.com

COLLECTIONS AND FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Now that Glasgow Quaker Meeting has moved to our new abode we have swapped a freehold building with uncertain required major maintenance for certain monthly rent. We are very grateful for those Friends who sustain Quakerism through donations via “the schedule”. Single donations to Glasgow Quaker Meeting are also very welcome.

While the cash Sunday collection after Meeting for Worship is very much appreciated we would ask people to consider regular monthly bank transfers. Even a regular monthly donation to Glasgow Meeting equivalent to a cup of tea or coffee can make a big impact on our financial stability.

Should you feel able to contribute in this manner then please set up the Standing Order payable to:

Sort Code	08-92-99
Account	67436963
Account Name	Quakers in Scotland

For the payment to reach Glasgow Meeting it is important that standing order should be referenced as GLA [then] your surname [then] your first initial.

Please also then notify Bronwen Currie, Contributions Treasurer at contributions@quaker.scot

Special Collections

The October collection is on Sunday October 25th, in aid of **Interfaith Glasgow**, introduced by Ruth Wilkinson. Details in the last newsletter

For more information and to donate online: https://interfaithglasgow.org/

The November collection with be for **Money for Madagascar**, introduced by Neil McKechnie. Details will be in the December newsletter.

FOR NEWCOMERS

Discovering Quakers
This initiative provides simple, friendly ways for newcomers to connect with Quakers. It includes weekly “Quaker Lives” Zooms, enquirer packs, and a welcoming website. Whether someone is spiritually searching or simply curious, this is a great starting point.
Website: discoveringquakers.org.uk

What Is the Quaker Way?
Gentle, one-hour monthly Zoom sessions introducing Quaker worship, values, and spiritual practice.
These welcoming and reflective gatherings are ideal for people exploring whether Quakers are their spiritual home.
Register:
https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=MGHYU__KJUq_K4_1UYIBaC6sKC-7eK5LkJYiC58JmldURTFKRlhIRk8zNlhKNkVEVFdFNVFITEpaVi4u&route=shorturl

USEFUL INFORMATION

Generic email addresses

Note that when using these you might need to cut and paste the address as clicking on it might not give a link.

Clerk@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Pastoralcare@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Elders@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Children@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Treasurer@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Property@glasgowquakers.org.uk.
Librarian@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Communications@glasgowquakers.org.uk
LMnominations@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Climate.cafe@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Safeguarding@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Safety@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Socialmedia@glasgowquakers.org.uk

Committee minutes and documents

The link is as follows
https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1yacRe0kYhXxw7czWwyCJeoecMZFg7VnV

Committees are encouraged to upload their minutes, remits and any other useful documents. If a committee clerk wants access, please contact Frank Vaughan.

Social media

Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/groups/GlasgowQuakers
Instagram - https://www.instagram.com/glasgowquakers
Website - https://www.quakerscotland.org/glasgow

There is also a Young Friends WhatsApp group.
To join contact rosemary.morgan1@gmail.com

Zoom bookings

Friends who need to book meetings on our Zoom account will be given the login details. They will be able to see what other meetings have been booked. At present this information is not accessible more generally.

Note that only one meeting can take place at a time so **please check the Meetings tab before booking your meeting** to ensure that there is no clash.

Other newsletters and websites

Information on Quakers in Scotland (formerly Scotland General Meeting) is online at https://www.quaker.scot

All the Britain Yearly Meeting newsletters can be accessed at quaker.org.uk/newsletters

Glasgow Local Meeting website is now part of the Quakers in Scotland website. https://www.quaker.scot/glasgow

West Scotland Area Meeting has been laid down but information and newsletters can still be found at
https://www.quaker,scot/west

Keeping in touch

If you want to be on the Meeting email distribution list please contact Clive Potter, mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk

Please send items for December "Elmbank Events" by **Monday 23 November** to **Daphne Wassermann.**
0141 357 0396
daphnew@cantab.net

From Ren Clark

The Orange

by Wendy Cope

At lunchtime I bought a huge orange—
The size of it made us all laugh.
I peeled it and shared it with Robert and Dave—
They got quarters and I got a half.

And that orange, it made me so happy,
As ordinary things often do
Just lately. The shopping. A walk in the park.
This is peace and contentment. It's new.

The rest of the day was quite easy.
I did all the jobs on my list
And enjoyed them and had some time over.
I love you. I'm glad I exist.

Glasgow Quaker Meeting Rotas: November 2026

	Sunday 1st	Sunday 8th	Sunday 15th	Sunday 22nd	Sunday 29th
Clerk (for notices)	Joyce Taylor	Janey Andrews	Neil Barton	Robin Young	Martin Mansell
Elders in the Renfield Centre and welcoming after Meeting	Daphne Wassermann and Sheila Semple LM Elder Daphne Wassermann	David Thomas and Rosemary Morgan	Sheila Semple and Rosemary Morgan (A&Q) Representative at the Unitarian Service: David Thomas	Linda Cannon and Rosemary Morgan	Linda Cannon and Neil McKechnie
Zoom host	Samir Abdalla	David Garfield (Frank Vaughan to assist)	Daphne Wassermann	Martin Mansell (Daphne Wassermann standby)	No Zoom
Warden	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
Doorkeeper	Morgan Cowley Phillida Ball	Janey Andrews	Anthony McEachen	Diane Scott Tom Hair	TBC
Pastoral Friend	Mary Cox	Mary Alice Mansell	Mike Nellis	Alistair Trainor	Jenny Copsey
Tea/coffee	Tom Hair and Becky Sherwood	Ben Blain	TBC	Doreen Osborne, Tom Hair and Becky Sherwood	TBC
Children's Meeting lead	Mary Troup	Mary Troup (All age Worship)		Mary Troup	Mary Troup
Children's Meeting helper	Rosemary Morgan	Mary Alice Mansell	TBC	Paul Lynch	Kath Allan

Wednesday Meetings for Worship

Meetings are held every Wednesday in the Unitarian House and by Zoom.
There is no longer a designated host as this meeting is quite small.
Anyone can join using the link circulated.