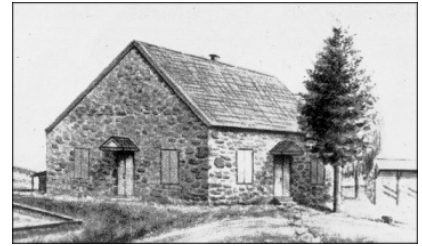


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#### Office Hours

Monday & Thursday  
10 am – 2pm

#### Sunday Zoom Host

02/02 John Braceland

02/09 Pat Bierl

02/16 Val Suter

#### Sunday Facing Bench Friend

02/02 Deb and Charlie Gilbert

02/09 Charlie Spadoni

02/16 Doug Essinger-Hileman

#### Sunday Meeting House Greeter

02/02 Pat Bierl

02/09 Lisa Sweeney

02/16 Charlie Spadoni

#### Sunday Tech Assistant

02/02 John Braceland

02/09 Pat Bierl

02/16 Val Suter

#### Zoom Meeting Link

##### Sunday Meeting for Worship:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87404288806?pwd=WkpgYk0vMjFkbjJDYk0vROZwTitNdz09>

Meeting ID: 874 0428 8806

Passcode: 156446

Dial: 1(929) 205-6099 (NY) for all



## 2. Deepening Our Faith: Meeting for Business

- Is our meeting for business held in worship in which we seek divine guidance?
- How do we sustain prayerful consideration of all aspects of an issue and address difficult problems with a search for truth that is unhurried by the pressures of time?
- Do we recognize that we speak through our inaction as well as our action?
- Do I regularly attend meeting for business? If unable to attend, how do I fulfill the responsibility to understand and embrace the decisions made?*
- How do I affirm and support God's presence in the process of discernment and reaching a decision?*
- Do I remain open to personal transformation as the community arrives at the sense of the meeting?*

From *Faith and Practice*  
*Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, 2018*

Let us honor and be attentive to the Spirit by not entering or leaving Worship during spoken messages.

## Announcements and Events

### Calendar



**Sunday, February 2,**  
**8:30am – 9:45am:** Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business, hybrid.

**10:00am:** blended Meeting for Worship. Children & Youth.

**Wednesday, February 5,**  
**4pm:** Mid-week Meeting for Worship via Zoom.

**Sunday, February 9,**  
**10:00am:** blended Meeting for Worship. Youth Committee. Children & Youth.

**Wednesday, February 12,**  
**4pm:** Mid-week Meeting for Worship via Zoom.

**Sunday, February 16,**  
**8:30am – 9:45am:** O&PC Committee Meeting, hybrid.  
**10:00am:** blended Meeting for Worship. Children & Youth.

**1:30pm – 3:00pm:** Friendly Bible Study, via Zoom.

**Wednesday, February 19,**  
**4pm:** Mid-week Meeting for Worship via Zoom.

**Sunday, February 23,**  
**10:00am:** blended Meeting for Worship. Children & Youth.

**We need food, personal items and monetary donations for the West Chester Food Cupboard and Act in Faith! Please place items in the boxes in the Social Room. Thank you!**

**Monday, February 3, 7:30pm – 9:00pm: The Exponential Impact of Historical and Ongoing Injustice: A Call To Action for Quakers.** A Black History Month First Monday Lecture with Dr. Harold D. (Hal) Weaver, Jr. and Nozizwe Madlala-Routledge. The speakers, presenting remotely, will return to deliver a Pendle Hill First Monday Lecture in celebration of Black History Month. The two Quaker scholar-activists will examine major historical injustices committed by the Western world, the complicity of the Religious Society of Friends in these crimes, and solutions suggested by modern Quakers of color for atonement. Free to the public on-site or remotely. Registration required. For more information and to register, visit <https://pendlehill.org/events/first-monday-lecture-with-dr-harold-d-hal-weaver-jr-and-nozizwe-madlala-routledge/>.

**On Sunday, February 9,** the Youth Committee will be sending Cookies to our College Kids. Parents of college kids who would like to receive cookies should send the student's address to Marcia Cole-Quigley at [Marcia.cq@gmail.com](mailto:Marcia.cq@gmail.com).

**Sunday, February 9, 1:30pm – 3:00pm: Winter Nature Walk: “The Cold Facts About Trees That Will Warm Your Heart”.** A winter-time grounds tour at Pendle Hill campus with guides Lloyd Guindon and Jennifer Walker to explore the natural and social ecosystems and look at the trees in their bare-bone essence, including Pendle Hill's practices and strategies for tree removal and tree replacement plan as supported by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Free and open to the public. Registration requested. For more information and to register, visit <https://pendlehill.org/events/winter-nature-walk-the-cold-facts-about-trees-that-will-warm-your-heart/>.

**Wednesday, February 12, 6:30pm – 8:00pm:** The Birmingham Book Club will meet to discuss *The Splendid and the Vile* by Erik Larson. The Zoom link for the Sunday Meeting for Worship is also available at this time for those wishing to participate remotely. For more information, contact Marina Pavluk at [marinaapavluk@gmail.com](mailto:marinaapavluk@gmail.com).

| February Birthdays     |                                |    |                          |    |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|----|--------------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 1                      | Susan Frens                    | 10 | Eric Steele              | 23 | Jarl Mork                |
| 1                      | Daniel Worth                   | 12 | Wendi Castillo           | 24 | Connie Eash              |
| 2                      | Betsy Wenny                    | 12 | Emma Morrison            | 24 | Amy Brooks               |
| 2                      | Karen Watkins                  | 13 | Serita Spadoni           | 26 | John Lavin               |
| 6                      | Sallie Jones                   | 13 | Ann Thomas               | 27 | Molly Lang               |
| 7                      | Jackie (Pujol) Forsell         | 14 | Venus Weber              | 28 | Irene Moon               |
| 7                      | Maya Brooks                    | 16 | Marie Echelmeyer         | 28 | Jennifer Mourtada (2/29) |
| 8                      | Diane Lemonides                | 19 | Lucia Lang               |    |                          |
| 9                      | Phoebe Driscoll                | 22 | Keith Baker              |    |                          |
| February Anniversaries |                                |    |                          |    |                          |
| 1                      | Chris & Laura Densmore         | 14 | Beth & Michael Bertheaud |    |                          |
| 4                      | Caitlin Butler & Max Robitzsch | 15 | Doug & Lin Linton        |    |                          |

| More Zoom Links  |  |
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| <b>Mid-week Meeting for Worship (Host – Connie Eash)</b> | <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83870047629?pwd=cXJqQXRtNUw4VzZjR1dudm9YS1BIZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83870047629?pwd=cXJqQXRtNUw4VzZjR1dudm9YS1BIZz09</a><br><b>Meeting ID: 838 7004 7629 Passcode: 863654</b> |