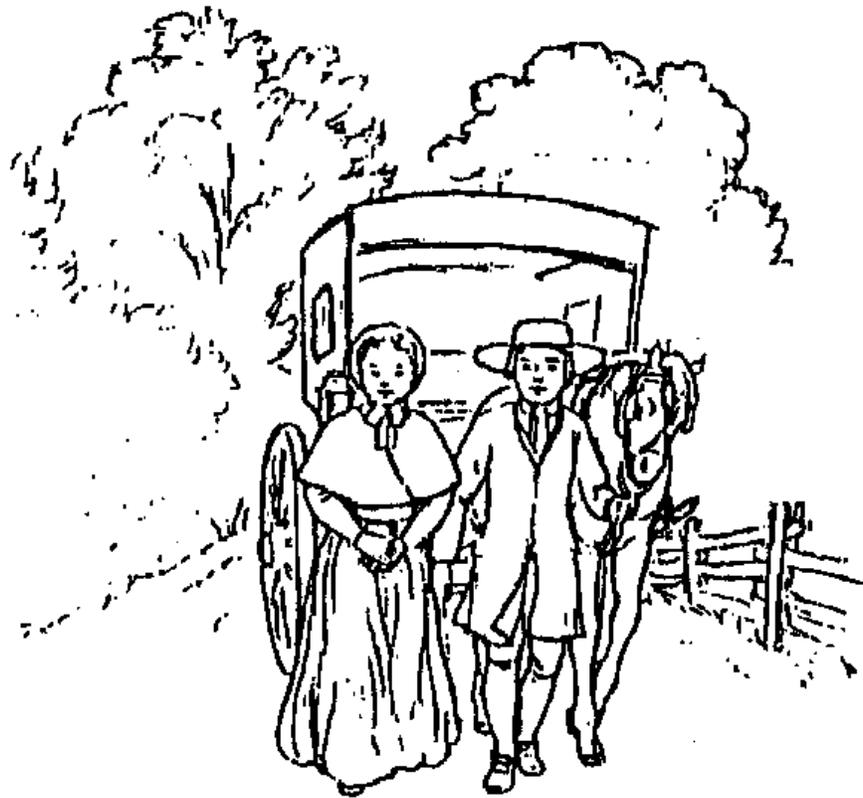


**Crossroads Friends  
Meeting (Conservative)  
Ohio Yearly Meeting (Conservative)**



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Seventh Month (July) 2017**

# Schedule of Meetings for Worship

We shall gather for unprogrammed, waiting worship in the Name of Jesus Christ and in the manner of Friends on the dates and at the times and places specified, usually at our meetinghouse. Visitors and new attenders are always welcome. For those not familiar with unprogrammed worship, a small brochure is available, offering general guidance and tips on “meeting etiquette.” Additional materials on the Religious Society of Friends are also available at rise of meeting. Before rise of meeting on First Day [Sunday], the designated meeting closer reads aloud an Advice. This is followed by framing silence before the handshake of fellowship which marks rise of meeting.

A time of fellowship follows meeting for worship. On the second First Day [Sunday] of each month, following fellowship, we hold our meeting for business. (*Depending on other events, business meeting may be shifted to another week.*) On Fourth Days (Wednesdays), we hold a shorter Meeting for Worship followed by Faith Study: *George Fox’s Journal*.

*We are currently studying Traditional Quaker Christianity during Faith Study on First Day (Sunday) mornings.*

## Seventh Month, 2017

### First Day, Seventh Month 02

[Sunday, July 02, 2017]

Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI

**Advice 28:** In their senior years, and before debilitating infirmities prevail, Friends are affectionately admonished prayerfully to seek Divine Guidance and counsel from their families and friends regarding plans to continue to live in their own homes, enter a retirement home, or to make other living arrangements appropriate for their financial capabilities in their last years.

### Fourth Day, Seventh Month 05

[Wednesday, July 05]

Special Message from Kim Palmer 7:00 PM

Meeting for Worship 7:30 PM

### First Day, Seventh Month 09

[Sunday, July 09, 2017]

**Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM**  
**Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM**  
**Ministry & Oversight and Meeting for Business 12:00 Noon**  
**Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI**

**Advice 01:** Use vigilant care, dear Friends, not to overlook those promptings of love and truth which you may feel in your hearts; for these are the tender leadings of the Spirit of God. Nor should any of us resist God's workings within us, for it is His redemptive love which strives to show us our darkness, and to lead us to true repentance, and to His marvelous light. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." (Revelation 3:20)

**Fourth Day, Seventh Month 12**  
**[Wednesday, July 12]**  
**Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM**  
**Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM**

**First Day, Seventh Month 16**  
**[Sunday, July 16, 2017]**  
**Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM**  
**Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM**  
**Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI**

**Advice 02:** Be faithful in maintaining your testimony against all war as inconsistent with the Spirit and teaching of Christ. Live in the Life and Power that takes away the occasions of all wars and strife. Seek to take your part in the ministry of reconciliation between individuals, groups, and nations. Let the law of kindness know no limits. Show a loving consideration for all people.

**Fourth Day, Seventh Month 19**  
**[Wednesday, July 19, 2017]**  
**Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM**  
**Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM**

**First Day, Seventh Month 23**  
**[Sunday, July 23, 2017]**  
**Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM**  
**Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM**  
**Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI**

**Advice 03:** Regard the taking of oaths as contrary to the teachings of Christ, and setting up a double standard of truthfulness; whereas sincerity and truth should be practiced in all walks of life.

**Fourth Day, Seventh Month 26**

[Wednesday, July 26]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM

**First Day, Seventh Month 30**

[Sunday, July 30, 2017]

*We will worship in unity with*

Salem Monthly Meeting, Salem OH

**Eighth Month, 2017**

**Fourth Day, Eighth Month 02**

[Wednesday, August 02, 2017]

*We will not hold worship or faith study due to Ohio Yearly Meeting.*

**First Day, Eighth Month 06**

[Sunday, August 06, 2017]

*We will worship in unity with*

Chestnut Ridge Monthly Meeting, Barnesville OH

**Fourth Day, Eighth Month 09**

[Wednesday, August 09, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM

**First Day, Eighth Month 13**

[Sunday, August 13, 2017]

Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

Ministry & Oversight and Meeting for Business 12:00 Noon

Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI

**Advice 04:** In your meetings for worship be earnestly concerned to enter reverently into communion with God. Come with minds and hearts prepared. Yield yourselves up to the influence of the Divine Presence so that you may find the evil in you weakening and the good raised up. God calls each one to the service of the meeting. Be obedient and faithful, whether by word or silent prayerful waiting; and be ready to receive the message of others in a tender spirit.

**First Query:** Are meetings for worship well and punctually attended? Is our behavior therein conducive to meditation and communion with God? Do we maintain a waiting spiritual worship and a free gospel ministry? Do we welcome others to share this fellowship with us?

**Fourth Day, Eighth Month 16**

[Wednesday, August 16, 2017]

**Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM**  
**Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM**

**First Day, Eighth Month 20**

[Sunday, August 20, 2017]

**Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM**

**Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM**

**Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI**

**Advice 05:** Be on your guard, dear Friends, lest the love of pleasure take too strong a hold upon you. Choose such recreations as are pure and healthful. Let them be in harmony with your service to God and man; and in that service be ready at any time to lay them aside when called upon.

**Fourth Day, Eighth Month 23**

[Wednesday, August 23, 2017]

**Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM**

**Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM**

**First Day, Eighth Month 27**

[Sunday, August 27, 2017]

**Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM**

**Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM**

**Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI**

**Advice 06:** Endeavor to make your home an abiding place of joy and peace where the Presence of God is known and felt. Seek to know an inward retirement, even amid the activities of daily life. Make a quiet place in your daily life, wherein you may learn the full meaning of prayer, and the gladness of communion with your Heavenly Father.

**Fourth Day, Eighth Month 30**

[Wednesday, August 30, 2017]

**Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM**

**Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM**

**Crossroads Friends Meeting (Conservative)**

**Ohio Yearly Meeting (Conservative)**

**Conservative - Christian - Unprogrammed Worship**

**Unprogrammed, waiting worship in the Name of Jesus Christ**

**and in the manner of Friends, First Days at 11:00 AM**

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**Crossroads Monthly Meeting of Friends**  
**Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business**  
**06-11-2017**

The meeting for worship for business held by Crossroads Friends Meeting opened at 1:00 PM on First Day, 06-11-2017 with waiting worship and a reading from Luke 9: 46-48.

Attending: Phil Helms, Sharon Helms, Jim Drummond, Connor Helms, Phelan Helms, Conrad Lindes, Rhonda Fuller

Sharon Helms presented the Treasurer's Report for Fifth Month, 2017, showing a balance of \$1,807.26 at the close of business on 05-31-2017.

Correspondence:

Letter requesting membership, Rhonda Fuller

Letter requesting affiliate membership, Adrian Rush

City of Flint, re: water

Wilmington College, re: display of Marshall Plan posters

FCNL newsletter, May 2017

**Peace** book

We are glad to receive Rhonda Fuller's request for membership. As the Clearness Committee for Rhonda Fuller, we name Sharon Helms, Phil Helms, and Jim Drummond. We ask the Committee to report back next month.

We are glad to receive Adrian Rush's request for affiliate membership. Because of the distance, we suggest the dialogue with the Clearness Committee take place by e-mail. As the Clearness Committee for Adrian Rush, we name Phil Helms, Sharon Helms, Jim Drummond, and Phelan Helms. We ask the Committee to report back when possible, and urge them to inform Adrian of Christian worship groups on the West Coast.

With regard to Meritt Petrone's Clearness Committee, we name Sharon Helms, Phil Helms, and Connor Helms, to meet with her during OYM in Eighth Month and report back to us when possible.

We have received materials on Conscientious Objection and related matters from Lois Edgerton and the OYM Peace Committee. Lois also presented us with a copy of the 1909 publication, **Peace**, issued by OYM's Representative Body. This publication was read aloud and will be stored in our fireproof storage.

Phil and Sharon Helms and Conrad Lindes attended the outreach weekend at Keystone Fellowship and Marlborough Monthly Meetings in Pennsylvania. These events were encouraging for all involved. There were sufficient numbers of people to generate possibilities of gains in membership.

The midweek meeting for worship, followed by faith study of

George Fox's Journal, has proven a success so far. Faith Study on First Day mornings is now focusing on Traditional Quaker Christianity, and is well attended.

Kim Palmer of Stillwater Monthly Meeting will be visiting from California, and plans to be with Crossroads Friends for midweek worship on 07-05-2017. He will need hospitality on 07-04-2017 and 07-05-2017. He may be accompanied by others, who will also need hospitality. Friends who can assist with this, please contact Sharon.

**Administrative Queries:**

1. What new meetings have been established? Have any meetings been discontinued?

2. Are schools encouraged for the education of our youth under the instruction of teachers in sympathy with us? Do parents take an active interest in the administration and quality of teaching of the schools which their children attend? Do they send their children of High School age to Friends' schools whenever possible? Is each Meeting making effective efforts to aid parents in the suitable religious instruction of their children?

3. Have the General Queries been read and deliberately pondered and answered in all our meetings? Have the Advices been regularly read? Is the best possible time chosen for their reading, suitable for deliberate consideration of them by all Friends and attenders for their individual, spiritual refreshment?

4. Are former minute books, all interment charts and all records of similar importance, stored in a suitable fireproof safe or vault?

5. Are our meetings for business regularly held; fully, and promptly attended? Are they conducted in a loving and solemn concern to make concerted effort toward unity of spirit?

**Administrative Queries Responses:**

1. No new meetings have been established; none have been discontinued.

2. The children within the meeting are in Middle School or High School and attend public schools. Parents and grandparents take an active interest in the administration and quality of teaching in these schools. There are no Friends' High Schools in this area (possibly in this state). The meeting attempts to support parents in providing suitable religious education to complement the more secular education of their children.

3. The General Queries are read and deliberately pondered each year. The Advices are read in sequence, one each week, near the end of meeting for worship, to provide a suitable time and atmosphere for deliberate consideration.

4. Yes. We have no interment charts. Minute books and records of similar importance are stored in a fireproof safe in the meetinghouse.

5. Meetings for business are held regularly, usually as scheduled by our formula. Typical meetings are attended by nearly all resident Friends, though illness and other matters have caused some absences. Meetings are conducted in a loving and solemn concern, and usually result in unity.

Meeting for worship for business closed with a period of waiting worship.

Respectfully submitted,  
Phil Helms, Clerk

| <b>Seventh Month 2017</b>                |                   |                  |                   |                  |                  |                    |
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| <b>2</b><br>Flint                        | 3                 | 4                | 5<br>Mid-week     | 6                | 7                | 8                  |
| <b>9</b><br>Flint -<br>M&O &<br>Business | 10                | 11               | 12<br>Mid-week    | 13               | 14               | 15                 |
| <b>16</b><br>Flint                       | 17                | 18               | 19<br>Mid-week    | 20               | 21               | 22                 |
| <b>23</b><br>Flint                       | 24                | 25               | 26<br>Mid-week    | 27               | 28               | 29                 |
| <b>30</b><br>Salem                       | 31                | 08/01            | 08/02             | 08/03            | 08/04            | 08/05              |