

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



**Volume Nineteen, Number Eight
Eighth Month (August) 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 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

Ninth Month, 2017

First Day, Ninth Month 03
[Sunday, September 03, 2017]
Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM
Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM
Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI

Advice 07: Avoid and discourage any kind of betting or gambling, as well as commercial speculation of a gambling character. Remember how widespread are the temptations to grow rich at the expense of others, and how apparently harmless indulgence leads often by degrees to ruin and crime.

Fourth Day, Ninth Month 06
[Wednesday, Ninth 06, 2017]
Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM
Faith Study: George Fox's Journal 7:30 PM

First Day, Ninth Month 10
[Sunday, September 10, 2017]
Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM
Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM
Ministry & Oversight and Meeting for Business 12:00 Noon
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Advice 08: Watch with Christian tenderness over the opening minds of your children. Help them to understand the teachings of Jesus. Seek to awaken in them the love of Christ, and through example and training in self-control, to bring them to obedience to the law of God in their own hearts, that they may be joyful and willing in his service.

Second Query: Do we cherish a forgiving spirit, and strive to "walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us"? Is each one of us careful for the reputation of others? Are we ever mindful to love our neighbor as ourselves? If differences threaten to disrupt the Christian harmony between the members, is prompt action taken?

Fourth Day, Ninth Month 13

[Wednesday, Ninth 13, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Ninth Month 17

[Sunday, September 17, 2017]

Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

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Advice 09: In consideration of marriage, remember that happiness depends on a deep and understanding love. Seek to be joined in a common discipleship of Jesus Christ. Ask guidance of God, desiring above all temporal considerations, that your union may be owned and blest of Him. Consider the precious responsibilities of parenthood, and do not forget the help you may draw from the loving counsel of your own parents.

Fourth Day, Ninth Month 20

[Wednesday, Ninth 20, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Ninth Month 24

[Sunday, September 24, 2017]

Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

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Advice 10: Carefully maintain truthfulness and sincerity in your conduct, and encourage the same in your families. In your style of living, in your dress, and in the furniture of your houses, choose what is simple, useful, and good.

Fourth Day, Ninth Month 27

[Wednesday, Ninth 27, 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 , Fourth Days at 7:00 PM

For variations in this schedule, or for additional information contact:

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Crossroads Monthly Meeting of Friends Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business

07-09-2017

The meeting for worship for business held by Crossroads Friends Meeting opened at 12:10 PM on First Day, 07-09-2017 with waiting worship and a reading from James 3: 16-18

Attending: Phil Helms, Sharon Helms

Sharon Helms presented the Treasurer's Report for Sixth Month, 2017, showing a balance of \$1,573.88 at the close of business on 06-30-2017.

Correspondence:

Letter from Winona Monthly Meeting

Walton Monthly News, 07-2017

Intensive Peace and Conscience Training, 07-28 – 08-06-2017

Earlham Educational Opportunities 2017-2018

Friends Fiduciary 06-2017

We received a letter from David Warrington regarding the laying down of Winona Monthly Meeting, effective 06-26-2017. Enclosed is a check for \$2,000.00 payable to Crossroads, from the resources of Winona Monthly Meeting. The letter states: "No longer needing the financial resources we held, we have felt clear to send a portion of them to your Meeting. . . It is in love and in support that we do this, to help sustain your Meeting, its work, and the works we do in service as revealed to us through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Please accept the enclosed check without constraint or instruction for its use." Crossroads Friends accept this very generous sum with gratitude and humility. The check has been turned over to the Treasurer to be deposited in our savings account, where it will bear interest.

The Clearness Committee for membership for Rhonda Fuller reported:

The committee met with Rhonda at her home in Lansing. We talked for three hours regarding Rhonda's life, career and spiritual path. Rhonda was very open and forthcoming, giving us a better understanding of who she is. After attending five or more Meetings, she is drawn to Crossroads Friends Meeting. Her strong commitment to Jesus Christ is evident in her sincere beliefs. She is eager to worship with others who are in community with the teachings of Christ Jesus. Crossroads Friends have known Rhonda more than twelve years. The Committee is in unity to suggest the Monthly Meeting accept Rhonda Fuller as a full member.

Clearness Committee

Philip W Helms
James H Drummond
Sharon A Helms

Crossroads Friends united in adopting the report of the Clearness Committee, and welcome Rhonda Fuller into full, active membership in Crossroads Monthly Meeting. Since Rhonda is not present to receive this news, we appoint Sharon Helms to communicate with her and convey our welcome.

We have received "Registrations of Position for Conscientious Objectors" forms from Phelan Helms and Connor Helms. We will assure that these are on file with the OYM Peace and Human Relations Committee, and in Crossroads archival storage. We are glad to receive these statements, and to have these young men among our members.

Kim Palmer visited Crossroads Friends for midweek worship on 07-05-2017. The meeting was attended by eight regular members and attenders. His messages and presentation were appreciated, and we wish him Godspeed in his further travels in the ministry.

Phil and Sharon Helms reported on Salem Quarterly Meeting, held on 07-08-2017. In addition to the regular business of Query Responses, Kim Palmer attended and offered several messages and hymns as a part of his travels in the ministry.

Faith Study on First Day mornings is nearing the end of Traditional Quaker Christianity. Upon conclusion of this study, we will undertake Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends during this time slot, until we are led to another approach to Faith Study.

Reservations for Ohio Yearly Meeting will conclude on 07-18-2017. Reservations may be made by contacting Sharon Helms by e-mail, US mail, or by phone (248) 464-1018 or (248) 360-2074.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Phil Helms, Clerk



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Eighth Month 2017

<i>First Day</i>	<i>Second Day</i>	<i>Third Day</i>	<i>Fourth Day</i>	<i>Fifth Day</i>	<i>Sixth Day</i>	<i>Seventh Day</i>
07/30 Salem	07/31	1	2	3	4	5
6 Chestnut Ridge	7	8	9 Mid-week Worship	10	11	12
13 Flint - M&O & Business	14	15	16 Mid-week Worship	17	18	19
20 Flint	21	22	23 Mid-week Worship	24	25	26
27 Flint	28	29	30 Mid-week Worship	31	09/01	09/02