

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



**Volume Nineteen, Number Ten
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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 will post the current starting page number on the website.

We are currently concluding study of Traditional Quaker Christianity during Faith Study on First Day (Sunday) mornings. We will post the current starting page number on the website. Following conclusion of this study, we will hold Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends.

Tenth Month, 2017

First Day, Tenth Month 01

[Sunday, October 01, 2017]

Traditional Quaker Christianity 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI

Advice 11: In view of the evils arising from the use of tobacco and intoxicating drinks, we urge all to abstain from using them, from offering them to others, and from having any part in their production, manufacture, or sale. Do not let claims of “good fellowship” or the fear of seeming peculiar prevent you from standing by principles which you have conscientiously adopted.

Fourth Day, Tenth Month 04

[Wednesday, October 04, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Tenth Month 08

[Sunday, October 08, 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 12: Members are affectionately reminded of the importance of keeping correct and clear accounts pertaining to all outward affairs. It is important to make wills, or revisions of them, while still in health of mind and body, and free from any feeling of resentment. Delay, or neglect to secure competent legal advice, may cause some unexpected hindrance in the proper execution of one's bequests.

Third Query: Are our homes places of peace, joy, and contentment? Are they an influence for good in the neighborhood, community, and country? Do we set a good Christian example for our children to follow? Are Friends careful that their children realize that our loving Savior will faithfully guide them through life, as they are willing to accept and obey Him? Do we help our children to read and appreciate the Bible?

Fourth Day, Tenth Month 11

[Wednesday, October 11, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Tenth Month 15

[Sunday, October 15, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 10:30 AM

in unity with Middleton Monthly Meeting, Columbiana OH

Fourth Day, Tenth Month 18

[Wednesday, October 18, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Tenth Month 22

[Sunday, October 22, 2017]

Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI

Advice 13: Make it your aim to promote the cause of truth and righteousness, and to spread the Kingdom of God at home and abroad. Be ready to take your part fearlessly in declaring His message and in witnessing to His power.

Fourth Day, Tenth Month 25

[Wednesday, October 25, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Tenth Month 29

[Sunday, October 29, 2017]

Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI

Advice 14: Live in love, as Christian brethren, ready to be helpful one to another. Rejoice together in the blessings of life; sympathize with each other in its trials. Know one another as fellow-workers in the things that endure. Watch over one another for good, praying that each may be a living member of the Church of Christ, and may grow in the knowledge of the love of God.

Eleventh Month, 2017

Fourth Day, Eleventh Month 01

[Wednesday, November 01, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Eleventh Month 05

[Sunday, November 05, 2017]

Daylight Savings Time Ends!

Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

Crossroads Friends Meeting house, 4108 Menton, Flint MI

Advice 15: Remember the special opportunities for refreshment of spirit and for service which the first day of the week affords; use them faithfully, as befits the Friends of the Master.

Fourth Day, Eleventh Month 08

[Wednesday, November 08, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Eleventh Month 12

[Sunday, November 12, 2017]

Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends 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 16: Be diligent in the reading of the Bible and other

spiritually helpful writings. Gather daily in your families for worship. Such times have a special value in bringing little children especially into the experience of united worship, and so preparing them for the larger meeting for worship, as they learn in the silence to bow to the power of God.

Fourth Query: Believing our bodies to be the temple of God, are we concerned to attain a high level of physical and mental health? To this end are our lives examples of temperance in all things? Do we avoid and discourage the use and handling of intoxicants, tobacco, and improper use of drugs?

Fourth Day, Eleventh Month 15

[Wednesday, November 15, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Eleventh Month 19

[Sunday, November 19, 2017]

Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

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Advice 17: Be mindful for yourselves and for your children that you value the beauty and power of good friendships. Also, by example and precept, encourage your children to appreciate the best in literature and the arts, which is consistent with our Christian faith. By this, all your lives may be enriched and the youth with tastes thus early formed may henceforth instinctively choose the beautiful and good.

Fourth Day, Eleventh Month 22

[Wednesday, November 22, 2017]

Meeting for Worship 7:00 PM

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

First Day, Eleventh Month 26

[Sunday, November 26, 2017]

Bible Reading in the manner of Conservative Friends 10:00 AM

Meeting for Worship 11:00 AM

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Advice 18: Seek for your children that full development of God's gifts which true education can bring about. Remember that the service to which we are called needs healthy bodies, trained minds, high ideals, and an understanding of the laws and purposes of God. Give of your best to the study of the Bible, and the understanding of the Christian faith. Be open-minded, ready constantly to receive new light.

Fourth Day, Eleventh Month 29

[Wednesday, November 29, 2017]

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

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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**

09-10-2017

The meeting for worship for business held by Crossroads Friends Meeting opened at 12:13 PM on First Day, 09-10-2017 with waiting worship and a reading from Galatians 2:16.

Attending: Phil Helms, Sharon Helms, Connor Helms, Rhonda Fuller

Sharon Helms presented the Treasurer's Report for Eighth Month, 2017, showing a balance of \$1,111.62 at the close of business on 08-31-2017.

Correspondence:

AFSC fundraising letter

Walton Home Newsletters for 08-2017 and 09-2017

FCNL Annual Meeting notice

FCNL Washington Newsletter for 07-2017

Update on Flint Water Quality, from MDEQ

Earlhamite, Summer 2017

The Nominating Committee of the whole has prepared the following list of nominations to attend to the business of the meeting:

Clerk: Phil Helms

Treasurer: Sharon Helms

Recorder: Sharon Helms

Elder: Sharon Helms

Representative to OYM Nominating Committee: Phil Helms

Representatives to Salem Quarterly Meeting: Phil and Sharon Helms

Representatives to Representative Meeting: Phil and Sharon Helms

Outreach: Rhonda Fuller

Peace and Human Relations (including FCNL, FWCC, AFSC):

Jim Drummond, Connor Helms, Phelan Helms

Property Committee: Phil and Sharon Helms

Publications (including newsletter and website): Phil Helms

Hospitality: Sharon Helms

Trustee: Jim Drummond

Friends united in approval of these nominations. We appreciate the willingness of Friends to assume these duties. Friends will again consider the nomination of Sharon Helms as Elder at the next meeting for business, at which time action may be taken.

Rhonda Fuller reported on her visit to Grand Rapids Monthly Meeting. She did not share her minute regarding her treatment at the hands of Red Cedar Monthly Meeting, as she was given a different message, which she delivered.

Sharon Helms reported on the upcoming outreach weekend at Salem and Middleton Monthly Meetings. This will be Tenth Month 13 (Middleton) and 14 (Salem). All the recorded ministers in OYM have been invited to attend. Henry Jason, Jr. will make a presentation. Phil and Sharon will be attending.

Friends have reviewed the proposed outreach sign, the postcard-sized handouts, and the business card-sized handouts. With the following revisions to the design, these were approved. Estimated costs are \$10.00 for 500 business cards, \$10.00 for 200 postcards, and \$100.00 for the sign. Friends approved these expenditures. Phil will get prices on yard signs. (Additional contact information; Attribution for Journal of George Fox quote)

Rhonda Fuller reports a leading to publish her collected blog entries, witnessing to the Lord's workings with her, and for their inspirational value. Friends appointed Phil Helms and Jim Drummond as a committee to work with Rhonda on this project.

Sharon reported that in two weeks David Eley, a recorded minister from Keystone Fellowship Monthly Meeting, will be visiting us. We will have fellowship and a meal after worship.

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?

Response: Through the Lord, we are able to cherish a forgiving spirit, and are forgiving in our daily lives. We "walk in love as Christ also hath loved us." With God's help, we are careful of the reputations of others, avoiding gossip and careless discussion of others. At times, we find it challenging to refrain from being judgmental of others. We love our neighbors as ourselves, understanding that this concept embraces all humankind. Without compromising Friends' Testimonies, we resolve such differences as arise. In all matters, we remain ever open to our Inner Guide, and maintain Christian harmony within the meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted, Phil Helms, Clerk

Tenth 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>
1 Flint	2	3	4 Mid-week Worship	5	6	7
8 Flint - M&O & Business	9	10	11 Mid-week Worship	12	13	14
15 Middleton , Columbiana OH	16	17	18 Mid-week Worship	19	20	21
22 Flint	23	24	25 Mid-week Worship	26	27	28
29 Flint	30	31	11/01 Mid-week Worship	11/02	11/03	11/04