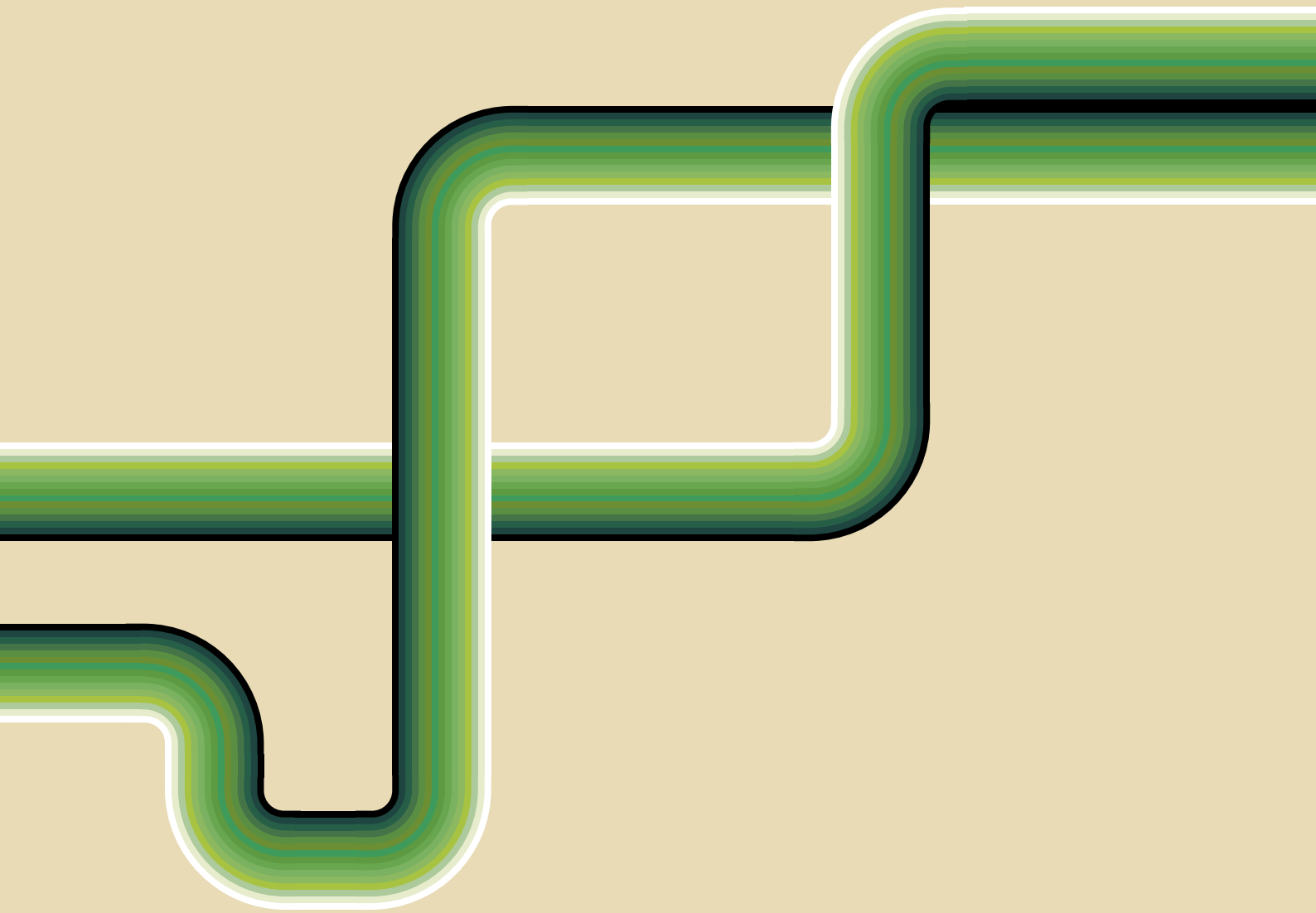
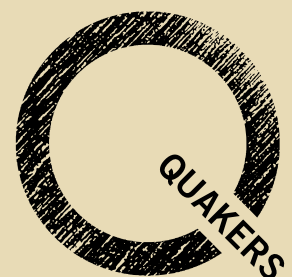


Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society  
of Friends (Quakers) in Britain

# Schedule of nominations and parallel sessions



Compiled for Yearly Meeting,  
Friends House, London  
24–27 May 2019





# 1. Schedule of nominations

## Introduction

This schedule contains the nominations, appointments and releases to be made or noted by Yearly Meeting 2019. It should be read in conjunction with the *Yearly Meeting Programme*.

## Table 1. Report of Central Nominations Committee

### Appointments and releases made by Meeting for Sufferings on behalf of Yearly Meeting

Committee	Released	Appointed
Britain Yearly Meeting Trustees	Roy Love, York AM	
Yearly Meeting Agenda Committee	Roger Bartlett, Southern Marches AM	Noel Staples, Cambridgeshire AM, until May 2019

### Appointments for this Yearly Meeting

#### Yearly Meeting Arrangements Committee

Name	Area Meeting	Nominated to serve
Robert Card	Northumbria	during this Yearly Meeting
Ruth McCarthy	York	during this Yearly Meeting

Serving with the three Yearly Meeting Clerks and Peter Fishpool, Liz Brooks and Rebecca Mattingly of Yearly Meeting Agenda Committee

#### Yearly Meeting Elders

Name	Area Meeting	Nominated to serve from/to
Jane Mace	Gloucestershire	from the beginning of Yearly Meeting (YM) 2019 until the end of Yearly Meeting Gathering (YMG) 2020
Gloria Dobbin	Luton & Leighton	
Tess James	Dorset & South Wiltshire	
Barney Smith	Bristol	

Serving with those Friends appointed in 2018.

Barney Smith, Bristol AM, is nominated to serve as convener of Yearly Meeting Elders for Yearly Meeting Gathering 2020.

#### Yearly Meeting Epistle Drafting Committee

Name	Area Meeting	Nominated to serve
Wendy Sender	London West	for a 2nd term during this Yearly Meeting
Vicky Cowell	Central England	for a 1st term during this Yearly Meeting
Rici Marshal Cross (to serve as convener)	South East Scotland	
Barbara Davey	East Scotland	
Robin Davis	West Scotland	
Ben Wood	Leeds	

## Appointments and other changes to committees and groups for work outside Yearly Meeting in session

Name	Area Meeting	Nominated for:	From / to
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<b>Britain Yearly Meeting Trustees</b>			
Danielle Walker Palmour	York	1st term	end of YM 2019 to 31 Dec 2022
Nick Eyre	Lincolnshire	2nd term	1 Jan 2020 to 31 Dec 2022
Jenny Brierley	York	1st term	1 Jan 2020 to 31 Dec 2022
Kate Gulliver	West Scotland		

<b>Quaker Stewardship Committee</b>			
Yvonne Dickson	Wirral & Chester	2nd term	end YM 2019 to end YM 2022
Mary Aiston	Kingston & Wandsworth		
Fred Ashmore	Kingston & Wandsworth		
Ursula Fuller	East Kent	5th term, as Clerk	end YM 2019 to end YMG 2020
Martin Ford	Leeds	3rd term, as Assistant Clerk	end YM 2019 to end YMG 2020

<b>Yearly Meeting Agenda Committee</b>			
Noel Staples	Cambridgeshire	2nd term	end of YM 2019 to end YM 2022
James McCarthy	York	1st term	end of YM 2019 to end YM 2022
Laura Kerr	Sheffield & Balby		
Yvonne R Estop-Wood	North East Thames		
Bridget Dunbar	East Cheshire		
Vacancy			

<b>Yearly Meeting Pastoral Care Group</b>			
Anthony Woolhouse	Bournemouth Coastal	2nd term	end YM 2019 to end YM 2022

<b>Yearly Meeting Publications Group for Quaker faith &amp; practice</b>			
Kate Macdonald	Mid Thames	1st term	end YM 2019 to end YM 2022

### Central Nominations Committee clerks

We note that Central Nominations Committee have appointed David Beale, Cumberland AM and Hannah Brock, Sheffield & Balby AM, to serve as co-clerks from the end of Yearly Meeting 2019 until the end of Yearly Meeting Gathering 2020.

## Table 2. Central Nominations Committee: nominations required

### Nominations to be brought to Yearly Meeting Gathering 2020

Committee	Number of Friends	For service
Yearly Meeting Agenda Committee	6	from end YMG 2020 to end YMG 2023
Yearly Meeting Arrangements Committee	1 or 2	at YMG 2020 alongside the three YM clerks and three Agenda Committee Friends
Yearly Meeting Pastoral Care Group	4	from 1 Jan 2020 to end YMG 2020
	1	from end YMG 2020 to end YMG 2023
Yearly Meeting Publications Group for <i>Quaker faith &amp; practice</i>	1	from end YMG 2020 to end YMG 2023
Yearly Meeting Epistle Drafting Committee	5 – 7	at YMG 2020 including one to act as convener
Yearly Meeting Elders	4, including 1 to act as convener	at YMG 2020 and YM 2021
	2	at YMG 2020
Britain Yearly Meeting Trustees	4	from 1 Jan 2021 to 31 Dec 2023
Quaker Stewardship Committee	1 as clerk 1 as assistant clerk	from end YMG 2020 to end YM 2021
Quaker Stewardship Committee	3	from end YMG 2020 to end YMG 2023

## Table 3. Report of Yearly Meeting Committee on Clerks

### Britain Yearly Meeting Trustees

Position	Name	Area Meeting	Nominated to serve
Clerk	Caroline Nursey	London West	for 2nd term from 1 Jan to 31 Dec 2020
Assistant Clerk	Graham Torr	York	for 1st term from 1 Jan to 31 Dec 2020
YM Treasurer	Linda Batten	Sheffield & Balby	for 2nd term from 1 Jan to 31 Dec 2020

## Table 4. Report of Yearly Meeting Nominating Group

### Appointments and releases made by Meeting for Sufferings on behalf of Yearly Meeting

Committee	Released	Appointed
Central Nominations Committee	Heather Lister	Beryl Milner, Leeds AM until end YMG 2020
Central Nominations Committee	Strawberry Roth	Fran Hicks, West Somerset AM until end YM 2021
Yearly Meeting Committee on Clerks	Oliver Robertson	

## Central Nominations Committee

Name	Area Meeting	Nominated to serve
David Day	Cumberland	for 2nd term from end YM 2019 to end YM 2022
Sandra Horsfall	London West	
David Beale	Cumberland	
Bronwyn Harwood	Sussex East	for 1st term from end YM 2019 to end YM 2022
Vacancy		

## Yearly Meeting Committee on Clerks

Name	Area Meeting	Nominated to serve
Andrew Backhouse	East Cheshire	for 2nd term from end YM 2019 to end YM 2022
Gethin Evans	Mid Wales/CCR Canolbarth Cymru	
Judith Thompson	Devon	
Gill Greenfield	Mid Somerset	for 1st term from end YM 2019 to end YM 2022
Vacancy		
Vacancy		

## Convener of the Yearly Meeting Nominating Group

Name	Area Meeting	Nominated to serve
Elizabeth Backhouse	East Cheshire	from end of YM 2019 to end of YMG 2020

## Table 5. Meeting for Sufferings: interim membership changes since Yearly Meeting 2018

For information we record here the membership of Meeting for Sufferings, excluding those who serve ex officio, as advised to the Recording Clerk's Office and appointed by Meeting for Sufferings as at its final meeting on 6 April 2019.

AM	Representative	Alternate
Banbury & Evesham AM	Susie Tombs	Lynne Richardson
Bournemouth Coastal AM	Anthony Woolhouse	Kate Mellor
Brighouse West Yorkshire AM	Rosemary Daley	Ann Banks
Bristol AM	Heather Lister	Helen Chambers
Cambridgeshire AM	Sue Brock-Hollinshead	Hannah Morrow
Central England AM	Cathy Khurana	Claire Bowman
Central Nominations Committee	Gill Reid	David Beale
Central Yorkshire AM	Ruth McTighe	Jane Pinder
Chilterns AM	Jane Edmonds	Anthony Philpott
Cornwall AM	Julie Taylor-Browne	Glynis Davies
Craven & Keighley AM	Richard Vesey	Keith Reeves
Cumberland AM	Bob Pritchard	David Day
Devon AM	Jacqui Poole	Sally Hartog
Dorset & South Wiltshire AM	Jane Fowles	Rachel Celia

<b>AM</b>	<b>Representative</b>	<b>Alternate</b>
East Cheshire AM	Jacqui Moore	Brenda Crothers
East Kent AM	Danny Chesterman	Caroline Howden
East Scotland AM	Alyson Buchan	Robert Thompson
General Meeting for Scotland	Ann Kerr	Mike Shilson
Gloucestershire AM	Jane Mace	Pat Beard
Hampshire & Islands AM	sarah coote	Jane Wilde
Hardshaw & Mann AM	Maureen Jackson	Diana Jeater
Hertford & Hitchin AM	Kathy Hindle	Katey Earle
Ipswich & Diss AM	Elaine Green	Avril Dawson
Kendal & Sedbergh AM	Chris Bullard	Pamela Coren
Kingston & Wandsworth AM	Keith Walton	Kim Boyd
Lancashire Central & North AM	Liz Eddington	Elizabeth Guar
Leeds AM	Martin Ford	Richard Levitt
Leicester AM	Fiona Cownie	Chris Myers
Lincolnshire AM	Mark Lilley	David Howard
London West AM	Simon Risley	Sandy Horsfall
Luton & Leighton AM	Jayne Meadows	Neil Morgan
Manchester & Warrington AM	Marion McNaughton	Steven Johnson
Meeting of Friends in Wales	Gethin Evans	
Mid Essex AM	Deirdre Haslam	Brian Wardrop
Mid Wales AM	David Jones	Carol Satterthwaite
Mid-Somerset AM	Gill Greenfield	Andy Hall
Mid-Thames AM	Doreen Osborne	Jean Scott-Barr
Norfolk & Waveney AM	Jenny Routledge	Silas Price
North East Thames AM	Anne Smith	Jane Natai
North London AM	Anna Sharman	Arthur Charlton
North Scotland AM	Sue Horne	Mary Dower
North Somerset AM	Shella Parry	Shena Deuchars
North Wales AM	Helen Still	Ros Morley
North West London AM	Ruth Hawthorn	Emily Milner
Northamptonshire AM	Karen Draycott	Sally Lewis
Northumbria AM	Barbara Bone	Steve Pullan
Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire AM	Maggie Lightowler Cook	Judith Green
Oxford & Swindon AM	Bridget Walker	Tina Leonard
Pendle Hill AM	Gordon Benson	Pip Swancott
Pickering & Hull AM	Sam McNair	Christine Fellowes
QCCIR	Stephanie Grant	Nicola Hoskin-Stone
QPSWCC	Trevor Evans	Ruth Tod & Ann Bettys
QLCC	Roy Stephenson	Jocelyn Bell Burnell
QWRC	Liz Scurfield	Ann Floyd
Sheffield & Balby AM	Rosemary Roberts	Craig Barnett
South East London AM	Rowena Loverance	Jo-Anne Fraser
South East Scotland AM	Henry Thompson	Kate Arnot
South London AM	Bob Rogers	Eva Kalmus
South Wales AM	Julia Lim	Carole Rakodi
Southern East Anglia AM	Robert Parkes	

AM	Representative	Alternate
Southern Marches AM	Julian Rutherford	Maggie Taylor-Sanders
Staffordshire AM	Win Sutton	Rosemary Barnett
Surrey & Hampshire Border AM		Ivan Hutnik
Sussex East AM	Peter Bolwell	Peter Aviss
Sussex West AM	Colin Holliday	Neil MacDonald
Swarthmoor (South West Cumbria) AM	Sue Tompkins	William Shaw
Teesdale & Cleveland AM	Mary Wilkinson	Gaynor Hemming
Thaxted AM	Sue Moloney	Margaret Somerville
Wensleydale & Swaledale AM	Edna Rossiter	Ian Hunter Smart
West Kent AM	Jill Clarke	Janet Ferguson
West Scotland AM	Barbara Robinson	Ed Tyler
West Somerset AM	Fran Hicks	Kathy Gollin
West Weald AM	Mariu Hurriaga	Rosemary Elias
West Wiltshire & East Somerset AM	Jane Stephenson	Ruth Cook
Wirral & Chester AM	Alan Vernon	Sheila Houldin
Worcestershire & Shropshire AM	Andrew Jameson	David Bowgett
York AM	James McCarthy	Sarah Allen
YFGM	Eleanor Fuller	
	Rachael Booth	
Young Adults	Sophie Bevan	Joseph Fuller
	Kathryn Lum	Bianca Rawlinson
	Ellen Setterfield	

**Table 6. Yearly Meeting Nominating Group: nominations required**  
**Nominations to be brought to Yearly Meeting Gathering 2020**

Committee	Number of Friends	For service
Central Nominations Committee	5	end YMG 2020 to end YMG 2023
Yearly Meeting Committee on Clerks	4	end YMG 2020 to end YMG 2023
Yearly Meeting Nominating Group	1 to serve as convener	end YMG 2020 to end YM 2021

**Table 7. Naming of Clerks for Yearly Meeting Gathering 2020**

**The Yearly Meeting Committee on Clerks expect to bring the following names to serve as clerk and assistant clerks**

Position	Name	Area Meeting
Clerk	Clare Scott Booth	London West AM
First Assistant Clerk	Siobhan Haire	North London AM
Second Assistant Clerk	Adwoa Bittle	East Scotland AM



# 2. Yearly Meeting parallel sessions

## Introduction

Please see item 16, page 18, of the Yearly Meeting Programme  
The sessions will run from 14:15 to 15:15 as follows:

### Saturday and Sunday

Exceptionalism  
Exploring privilege through dance  
Imagine life in 2030  
Philosophy for communities  
Singing in the Spirit  
Sharing stories of climate breakdown

George Fox Room  
Restaurant  
William Penn Suite  
Ada Salter Suite  
Drayton House B06  
Sarah Fell Room

### Saturday only

Diversity and inclusion 1

Large Meeting House

### Sunday only

Diversity and inclusion 2

Large Meeting House

## Descriptions

### Diversity and inclusion 1

In 2017 Yearly Meeting heard the call to examine our own diversity, particularly in our committee and organisational structures, locally and nationally. Britain Yearly Meeting employed an Inclusion and Diversity Coordinator to help Quakers in Britain consider our own diversity, to look at how to be fully inclusive, and to decide what needs to be done next.

In this session we will hear an overview of this work. Edwina Peart, Inclusion and Diversity Coordinator, will reflect on her experience of raising these issues within the Quaker community. The enthusiasm of Friends, and the obstacles encountered, will be discussed under the spotlight of privilege and power.

In addition, Edwina will facilitate a panel presentation addressing several aspects of diversity and inclusion. Invited panellists will speak to the themes of class, transgender and disability, sharing how these interests can be incorporated onto our welcome of newcomers as well as impacting on already-established Friends.

### Diversity and inclusion 2

Vanessa Julye, who works with Friends General Conference and American Friends Service Committee, will talk about her experience in the US on empowerment work with Youth Ministries and Young

Adult Friends; the White Privilege Conference; and her book *Fit for Freedom, not for Friendship: Quakers, African Americans, and the myth of racial justice*. Vanessa has visited BYM in previous years, speaking at Special Interest Groups. The session will be facilitated by Tim Gee.

### Exceptionalism

'Exceptionalism' is a perception of being somehow special, superior, or different from the norm. For instance, people may feel that human survival and flourishing is more important than that of other species. People in Britain may feel entitled to ways of life and forms of privilege – including flying, driving, high levels of meat and dairy consumption, and centrally heated homes – that contribute to the climate crisis and are not available to most of the world's population.

Do we find excuses or justify our 'normal' actions and choices, knowing that they harm people, communities, ecosystems and the future of life on earth?

Are some harms truly justified as healthy self-care, or necessities in our work for much-needed social change?

What is our experience of applying individual and corporate spiritual discernment to such questions? And have we found ways forward that feel rightly led?

Facilitated by Laurie Michaelis of Living Witness, we will receive reflections on our theme from Lindsey Cook, QUNO Climate Representative; Fletcher Harper, Director of GreenFaith, which is coordinating a global interfaith collaboration on sustainable living (by video), and Anthea Lawson, anti-corruption campaigner and activist (by video).

### **Exploring privilege through dance**

#### **Saturday:**

*Exploring diversity and inclusion through dance*

#### **Sunday:**

*Dancing for the planet*

We will experiment on the themes of diversity & inclusion and climate justice & sustainability. These sessions will be facilitated by Ann Bettys and Robin Bowles. Ann sets up the dance and Robin accompanies with improvised music on a variety of instruments. Sometimes the dance leads, sometimes the music leads. Ann characterises the session as “meeting for worship through dance”.

### **Imagine life in 2030**

In this workshop-style session, we will use ideas from *Zero carbon Britain: rethinking the future* ([www.quaker.org.uk/ym/documents](http://www.quaker.org.uk/ym/documents)) to help guide our thoughts about the future. By inviting our imaginations to carry us beyond 2030 we glimpse new possibilities and unexpected joys, along with loss, sadness, challenges and all kinds of new norms. What might these visions of our future reveal? What might they call forth from each of us and from our Quaker community?

On Saturday this session will be facilitated by Ro Randall, member of the Climate Psychology Alliance and co-founder of Carbon Conversations, and Tanya Hawkes, who works on sustainability and adaptation to climate change at the Centre for Alternative Technology (CAT), which has produced *Zero carbon Britain: rethinking the future*.

On Sunday the session will be facilitated by Clíodhna Mulhern who has been leading workshops and retreats on sustainable living and spiritual ecology for the last decade.

### **Philosophy for communities**

Philosophy for communities (P4C) is a method which provides a structure for a group to participate in rigorous exchange about questions that matter. In this ‘community of enquiry’ we will use the morning’s Yearly Meeting session as the stimulus for our thinking, and the group will choose and develop a question to focus the discussion. Expect to be encouraged and challenged to progress your thinking, drawing on your lived experience and working collaboratively with others.

Facilitated by 2018 Eva Koch scholar at Woodbrooke Rosie Carnall, who developed a resource pack to encourage use of P4C by Quakers. She will be accompanied by Helen Griffin, a senior P4C trainer with SAPERE, the umbrella organisation for P4C.

There will be opportunities to practise this method on either Saturday or Sunday in a group limited to 30 participants.

### **Singing in the Spirit**

#### **Saturday:**

*Singing to save the planet, global warming and sustainability* facilitated by Alison Breadon and Patrick Jones.

#### **Sunday:**

*Singing to build community, diversity and inclusion* facilitated by Mark Russ and John Sheldon.

Open to anyone who would like to sing together, including some songs from the Quaker Song Book

### **Sharing stories of climate breakdown**

Sharing stories of climate breakdown from our own world, family of Friends brings the reality of chaos closer to home. Understanding our geographical privilege as British Friends – because the wealthy world has been so far relatively safe from the immediate impact of climate chaos – helps us see our shared responsibility more clearly. In this session we will step into the shoes of Friends who do not share this privilege, notice any feelings that arise for us, and see what insights this process brings. Facilitated by Alex Wildwood and introduced by Susanna Mattingly from Friends World Committee for Consultation, we will share the video *Quakers and climate change stories from around the world*.



Quakers share a way of life, not a set of beliefs. Their unity is based on shared understanding and a shared practice of silent worship, where they seek a communal stillness.

Quakers seek to experience God directly, within themselves and in their relationships with others and the world around them. They meet together for worship in local meetings, which are open to all who wish to attend.

Quakers try to live with honesty and integrity. This means speaking truth to all, including people in positions of power. The Quaker commitment to peace arises from the conviction that love is at the heart of existence and that all human beings are unique and equal.

This leads Quakers to put their faith into action by working locally and globally to change the systems that cause injustice and violent conflict.

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