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*Photo of first ever Meeting for Walking courtesy of Naomi Gilbert*

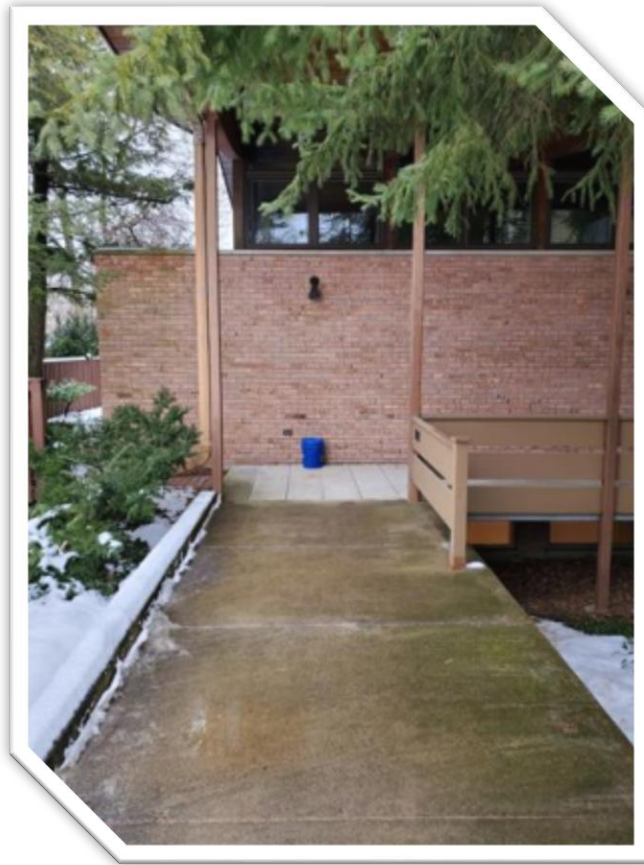
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### March Meeting for Worship schedule:

- March 1, 8:
  - The 9:30 a.m. Meeting for Worship will be **screen-free**.
  - The 11:00 Meeting for Worship will be **blended** (both in-person and on Zoom).
- March 15:
  - The 9:30 a.m. Meeting for Worship will be blended.
  - The 11:00 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business will be blended.
- March 22 & 29:
  - The 9:30 a.m. Meeting for Worship will be screen-free.
  - The 11:00 Meeting for Worship will be blended.

# AAFM March Event Calendar

\* = See Meeting announcement for details

For all Meetings for Worship, including Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business, the Zoom link is: <https://tinyurl.com/AAFM-Zoom> (Zoom Meeting ID 818 7021 4329) (\* = See announcement).

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## Sunday, March 1

- 9:00 Singing; Meeting Room
- 9:30 Meeting for Worship — In-person  
Property Committee; Fireplace Room
- 10:15 First Day School
- 10:30 Common Fellowship Time  
CCF Meeting; Living Room
- 11:00 Meeting for Worship — Blended

## Tuesday, March 3

- 2:00 Meeting for Walking \*

## Wednesday, March 4

- 7:00 What Does it Mean to be Quaker? Corner Room and Zoom \*
- 7:30 Quaker House Committee; Zoom

## Thursday, March 5

- 6:00 YAF Common Hours Club; Corner Room  
M&C Committee; Zoom

## Saturday, March 7

- 11:00 Luiza & Elliott Baby Shower; Fellowship Room \*

## Sunday, March 8

*Daylight Saving Time Starts*

- 9:00 Singing; Meeting Room
- 9:30 Meeting for Worship — In-person
- 10:15 First Day School
- 10:30 Common Fellowship Time
- 10:50 Finance Committee; Corner Room & Zoom
- 11:00 Meeting for Worship — Blended
- 6:00 YAF Dinner

## Monday, March 9

- 7:30 Peace & Social Justice Committee; Zoom

## Thursday, March 12

- 6:00 YAF Common Hours Club; Corner Room
- 7:00 Membership & Outreach Committee; Zoom

## Saturday, March 14

- 5:00 M&O Social Saturday; Fellowship Room \*

## Sunday, March 15

- 9:30 Meeting for Worship — Blended
- 9:45 First Day School
- 10:30 Refreshments
- 11:00 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business — Blended

## Tuesday, March 17

*St. Patrick's Day*

- 2:00 Meeting for Walking \*

## Wednesday, March 18

- 7:00 What Does it Mean to be Quaker? Corner Room & Zoom \*

## Thursday, March 19

- 6:00 YAF Common Hours Club; Corner Room

## Sunday, March 22

- 9:30 Meeting for Worship — In-person
- 10:15 First Day School
- 10:35 Reading & Discussion; Fireplace Room
- 11:00 Meeting for Worship — Blended
- 12:00 Potluck
- 1:00 State of the Meeting Report Worship Sharing; Meeting Room \*

**Tuesday, March 24**

7:00 Zoom — State of the Meeting Report  
Worship Sharing; MfW Zoom \*

**Wednesday, March 25**

9:30 FCNL Washtenaw Advocacy Team; \*  
Corner Room

6:30 Women’s Meeting; Meeting House \*

**Thursday, March 26**

6:00 YAF Common Hours Club; Corner Room

**Sunday, March 29**

9:30 Meeting for Worship — In-person

10:15 First Day School

10:30 Common Fellowship Time

11:00 Meeting for Worship — Blended

12:30 Meeting to Discern FCNL Legislative  
Priorities; Meeting Room \*

*Apologies for the multi-page calendar; we are so busy!*

\*”For fun the photo is of our first ever Meeting for Walking when, after early worship, 4 of us still under the restrictions of Covid said, “let’s go for a walk”. You can see from the smiles how happy we were! This was in May 2021. We have walked ever since, at first weekly and now twice a month, with numbers ranging from 2 to 14 walkers exercising, appreciating nature, and in general having fun.”  
— Naomi Gilbert (photo courtesy of Naomi as well)

## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Friends are working on an updated resource** for ways F/friends can request and provide care for each other in Meeting. Please fill out this survey to express ways you would like to provide or receive support.

<https://tinyurl.com/ways2care>

**We’re looking for people to serve as Meeting closers.** You can sign up at this link - [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1A-FQJSLbc62Vmwwds57\\_i89unl\\_zM1BUEM9IjKKOD6E/edit?gid=1643896035#gid=1643896035](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1A-FQJSLbc62Vmwwds57_i89unl_zM1BUEM9IjKKOD6E/edit?gid=1643896035#gid=1643896035) with your name and email and you’ll get a reminder email a few days before when you’ve signed up. You can sign up for either the 9:30 screen-free worship or the 11 a.m. hybrid worship (there are “x”s for Business Meeting Sundays when there is no later Meeting for Worship)

Instructions on what to do are here - [In person meeting closing instructions Laura version](#)

**The Committee for Children and Families (CCF)** is looking for a reliable and energetic person to join the AAFM childcare team. The position hours are every Sunday morning from 9:15 - 12:15 and the pay rate is \$20 an hour. If someone active in our Meeting is interested in the position, we would be open to negotiating ways that you might fill the position and also attend worship on occasion.

The person would work alongside our other childcare staff and volunteers, supervising playtime and story time, and leading activities for a mixed age range of children, from nursery age through upper middle school age.

We are looking for someone who enjoys working with children, is comfortable with a community-based

multi-age environment, and is communicative, dependable and responsible. We ask for references, reliable transportation, and CPR certification or a willingness to become certified.

Contact CCF conveners if you are interested or have further questions.

Claire Tinkerhess, [ctinkerhess@comcast.net](mailto:ctinkerhess@comcast.net), 734-883-9002

Molly Tinkerhess, [mollymalc@gmail.com](mailto:mollymalc@gmail.com), 401-749-4986

**Ann Arbor Friends Meeting** maintains a “**Voluntary Carbon Tax Fund**” to which individuals can contribute to address the effects of our use of fossil fuels.. Documents describing the Carbon Tax and a worksheet for calculating ones carbon footprint are posted on the AAFM website under the Earthcare Committee.

Please make contributions for 2025 now. Interested members will meet by Zoom on Tuesday **March 10<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 pm to recommend the allocation of the funds.

## Seeking Substitute(s) for Meeting Worker, April to July

The Personnel Committee is seeking one or more Friends to take up some of Luiza's work when she is on parental leave, from mid- to early April to mid- to late July.

Volunteers and/or paid hourly workers (\$20 per hour). Estimated 4–8 hours a week, most of which can be done from home.

Could be one person or several, splitting by time (e.g., one day a week or one week) or by dividing tasks, which include:

- Answering emails or delegating emails to appropriate person;
- Making reservations for Meeting functions and renters;
- Answering phone and replying to voice messages (can be done from elsewhere).
- Providing a detailed daily work log listing issues that need to be resolved after Meeting Worker returns to work.

Training will be provided.

Questions? Ask Luiza ([office@annarborfriends.org](mailto:office@annarborfriends.org))

To apply, please email [personnel@annarborfriends.org](mailto:personnel@annarborfriends.org)

## Message from Meeting for Walking:

We’re off to a new year of walking. As a reminder we now walk on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 2 pm, everyone is welcome and feel free to bring a friend.

For the month of March, we plan to follow two of the Ann Arbor Public Library walks around the city.

The first on Tuesday March 3 we will walk in the Old Fourth Ward neighborhood. This is roughly the area along State Street from Kingsley to Huron which includes the 1851 Quaker Meeting House and Harris Hall. We will street park in the State Street/Kingsley area and meet outside St. Thomas Church on Kingsley at 2 pm.

The second walk on Tuesday March 17, we will do another Underground Railroad walk, a little different from the one we did in November of 2024. We will meet and park at the Argo Canoe Livery.

If you have questions, please contact Nancy and Thomas (734-368-6555) or Naomi (734-476-4555).

## Message from FDS/CCF:

This Sunday First Day School will separate into a nursery-aged group and an older group as we begin to explore our March theme of Equality. After an opening circle, Megan will read *Bodies are Cool* with the younger crowd, and Claire will read *They That Take the Sword* with the bigger kids. Lots of discussion is sure to follow. If there's time, the kids will learn and sing "We Shall Not Be Moved."

- Nursery care is available from 9:30-12:15 every Sunday. Please bring your baby or toddler directly to the nursery before joining Meeting.
- 9:30-9:45 Children who arrive with families for early Meeting will attend the first 15 minutes of Meeting with their families.
- 9:45-10:15 Children will be escorted downstairs and will engage in some quiet play until First Day School starts.
- 10:15-11:00 Any families planning to attend later Meeting should enter using the back door to minimize distractions during the meeting in progress, and drop their children off at First Day School. These families are invited to participate in quiet fellowship until the common time begins
- **11:00-11:45 Children will engage in some quiet play until their parents have signed them out. At 11:45, children still in childcare will be escorted up to the Meeting room for the last 15 minutes. If you are in another meeting somewhere in the building, please return for your child to the Meeting room at noon**

## Singing

Sundays, **March 1, 8**; 9:00 a.m. | Meeting Room

Singing around the Meeting room piano with Peggy and Thomas. 9:00 – 9:30. Bring instruments and play along!

## What Does it Mean to be Quaker?

Wednesdays, **March 4, 18**; 7:00 p.m. | Corner Room and on Zoom <https://tinyurl.com/AAFM-Zoom>

This is an open discussion for both new and old members to learn and discern together on issues about how Quakerism impacts our spiritual practices and the way we live our lives. For new people, this is a place to ask questions about things that are not immediately obvious about our spiritual community. For other members, it's a place to explore something which has been on your mind or heart, where you wonder how other Friends might help you see clearer.

## Luiza & Elliott's Baby Shower & Potluck

**March 7**, 11:00 | Fellowship Room

Please join Elliott and Luiza as we prepare for, and look forward to, welcoming our first child into the world! We will be hosting a potluck brunch on **Saturday, March 7** in the **Fellowship Room** from **11am to 3pm**. Bring a dish or beverage to share. At **1pm**, we will gather in the **Meeting Room** to hear any stories, songs, wishes, and advice that you feel moved to share.

No gifts are required, but if you wish, you may bring an item that you have at home or in your family which you believe will be useful for us as new parents. You may also purchase a second-hand item or sign up for helping us through this spreadsheet: <https://tinyurl.com/aaron-registry>.

**Social Saturday** in March has moved to the second Saturday, **March 14th**, and its theme is Creativity. If you engage in creative activities, either professionally or as a meaningful part of your life, come and share your insights and experiences about where these creative impulses come from and how you are able to express them. If you are able, bring examples to share. The evening begins with a simple meal provided as usual at around 5:00 p.m. with conversation to follow. This will be hybrid to allow everyone to participate. Use the AAFM Zoom link.

Contact Dennis Gregg with questions

## Join Friends and members of the wider community to learn songs...

**March 22**, 3:00 pm | Meeting Room

...from the Singing Resistance movement. Many of the songs will be appropriate for the No Kings demonstration to follow on March 28th. Hosted by Paul & Claire Tinkerhess and other local song leaders. Flyer available [here](#).

## State of the Meeting Report Worship Sharing Opportunities: **Sunday March, 22**

**at 1:00 pm**, in the **Meeting Room** following a Potluck, **Tuesday, March 24, at 7:00 pm** on Zoom Link:

<https://tinyurl.com/AAFM-Zoom> | Meeting ID: 818 7021 4329

## Friends Committee on National Legislation's Washtenaw Advocacy Team

**March 25**, 9:30–12:00 | Corner Room

Join the Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL) Advocacy Team when we meet every month on the last Thursday from 9:30 a.m.–noon. Because we have both Ann Arbor and Chelsea members, we toggle between the two locations for meetings. Our purpose is to build relationships with our members of US Congress, and to support bills promoting matters of peace and justice. Sometimes we meet with the staff of our Senators and Representative; more often we make phone calls, or write letters to the members or to newspaper editors. We are amply supported by the large, expert staff in the Washington DC office of FCNL and by other Advocacy Teams in Michigan.

Our elected officials need constituents who will encourage, teach, appreciate, and hold them accountable to work for the common good. Governed by members of the Religious Society of Friends, FCNL acts in faith to create a world free from war, a society with equity and justice for all, a community where every person's potential may be fulfilled and an earth restored. One current issue is urging congressional members to oppose the transfer of more weapons of war and military support to Israel. Questions? Contact John Gourlay ([john@weathervanefarm.net](mailto:john@weathervanefarm.net)) or Nancy Taylor ([netaylor@comcast.net](mailto:netaylor@comcast.net)).

**Join Friends at the March Women's Meeting** on **March 25th** at 6:30-8:30 in the Meeting House for some good old-fashioned consciousness raising! Lily Wiest will guide Friends in a conversation around the topic of "empty consent" as framed by writer Melissa Febos in her essay "Thank You For Taking Care of Yourself." We will also be engaging in a bit of role play to practice saying no.

## Meeting to Discern FCNL Legislative Priorities

**March 29**, 12:30pm | Meeting Room

Every two years, Friends Committee on National Legislation queries Quaker meetings and churches around the country to help ground their work in the testimonies and values of Friends. Ann Arbor F/friends are invited to a meeting to discern our legislative concerns and submit them to FCNL. The responses will guide their selection of priorities for Quaker lobbying activities in Washington as well as for more than one hundred FCNL Advocacy Teams around the country.

The framework for FCNL's priorities comes from their policy statement, *The World We Seek*, which is available at <https://www.fcnl.org/legislativeStatement>. We are asked to identify five specific issues—falling within the policies already adopted by FCNL—which we discern should be priorities for the next two years (120th Congress, starting in January 2027). We encourage you to review the FCNL policies and materials available at <http://fcnl.org/priorities> for more information. This site includes links to the guidelines for the priority discernment process, a list of the current priorities being followed for the 119th Congress, and several other resources.

We will gather in the Meeting Room on March 29 at 12:30 pm. Your concerns are welcome, and we hope you can plan to attend. —Thomas & Nancy Taylor, John Deikis, Claire Tinkerhess, Susan Hartman members of the FCNL Washtenaw Advocacy Team

**Quaker Death Education**, a series of events focused on the practical matters surrounding death and dying, will start in February. This series is being hosted by Final Affairs, under the care of Ministry and Counsel.

These events will be facilitated by Robin and Kate. Robin is an End-of-Life Doula and NEDA-Proficient professional, as well as the President and Co-Founder of the Evergreen End of Life Foundation of Michigan. She has given numerous presentations on end-of-life topics, including legacy projects, the role of an End-of-Life Doula, advance care directives, and other aspects of death and dying. Kate has a long interest in death and dying and experience as a Funeral Services Representative.

All events will be hosted from **3pm–5pm** in the Fellowship Room and on Zoom.

Learn more at [tinyurl.com/QuakerDE](https://tinyurl.com/QuakerDE)

Zoom Link: [tinyurl.com/QuakerDEZoom](https://tinyurl.com/QuakerDEZoom)

**April 11th** - Quaker Death Cafe - a chance to talk about death and dying with other quakers

**June 6th / July 11th** - My Five Wishes - understanding and filling out key paperwork

Date TBD - Focus on Considerations for Parents

**August 1st** - Funeral / planning for after your own death - leaving a simple legacy for loved ones

**October 3rd** - Life after Death - taking care of things after someone else dies

**December 5th** - Quaker Death Cafe 2 - a chance to revisit how we feel about death and dying

## AMONG FRIENDS

**Newer Friends**, feel free to check out the [New Quaker Hub](#), a section of the Friends General Conference website geared toward new Friends.

**New Mailing List:** There is now a new mailing list/google group for Friends who participate online (in any capacity) to share community, information, and updates. Everyone in the AAFM community is welcome to participate. To request to be added to the group, go to this link: <https://groups.google.com/a/annarborfriends.org/g/online-friends/about> and click on “Ask to join group”.

If you need any help with the new google group/ mailing list, feel free to email Marni Rachmiel ([sfsmarn@gmail.com](mailto:sfsmarn@gmail.com)) or Matt Butler ([apooltoswim@gmail.com](mailto:apooltoswim@gmail.com)).

**Temporary home for a couple with a baby** at Mott Hospital needed. Natalie Holbrook-Combs, of our AFSC office, is seeking a studio apartment, mother-in-law quarters, or a temporary rental for a young couple whose six-month old son is receiving care here. They are not eligible to stay at the Ronald Macdonald House. The need is for at least three months’ stay. Contact Natalie at [nholbrookcombs@afsc.org](mailto:nholbrookcombs@afsc.org), 734.330.0555 (cell).

### Refreshments and food allergies

Food for refreshments should not contain peanuts or peanut products. We have slipped away from requiring this, but we feel that this is necessary now. Also, gluten intolerant folks are again participating in refreshments—it would be great if we had at least one item they could eat. Thanks—the Refreshment and Potluck Committee.

**How Does the Bible Speak to Us?** Join a small group of Friends who meet weekly for about 45 minutes. We use the *Friendly Bible Study* method which is a uniquely Quaker approach to reading the Bible. We are currently working our way through the gospel of Luke. We meet via the AAFM worship link <https://tinyurl.com/AAFM-Zoom> on **Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.** All are welcome to join. If questions, please contact Bill ([billriccobono@gmail.com](mailto:billriccobono@gmail.com)) or Naomi ([naomig@umich.edu](mailto:naomig@umich.edu))

**The Tools For Our Time Resource Deck** is a calendar of events, and a guide to publicly-accessible campaigns, programs, and organizations for people wanting to connect to programs and campaigns helping to support and protect our immigrant neighbors.

## SPECIAL MESSAGES

### Indigenous Action Group: Projects and Upcoming Events

The Indigenous Action Group has been actively pursuing various topics and a special event related to Native Peoples within Michigan and beyond. We reached out to Sandra Pilgrim-Lewis and Stacey Ettawageshik of Uniting Three Fires Against Violence with an invitation to visit Ann Arbor Meeting. The discussion included the Dance for Mother Earth Powwow being held at Skyline High School March 28-29 and resulted in IAG extending an offer to secure an exhibit table for UTFAV. Sandra and Stacey felt strongly that Ann Arbor Friends should share the exhibit. We are currently moving forward on organizing

this arrangement and will have more to share in the weeks ahead. We anticipate asking for volunteers to assist with hospitality and tending the exhibit, both of which afford opportunities to interact with our guests. In addition, we encourage Friends to attend the Powwow. Information can be found at: <https://oami.umich.edu/powwow/event-information/>.

IAG has also reached out to Quaker Meetings throughout Michigan to see what they may be doing in the area of Indigenous issues. This resulted in focusing our attention on Quaker Boarding Schools and legislation being proposed by Senator Murkowski of Alaska to establish a Truth and Healing Commission. You can see specifics of the bill at <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/senate-bill/761>. In addition, you can take action via FCNL: [https://fcnl.quorum.us/campaign/108986/?utm\\_source=fcnlweb](https://fcnl.quorum.us/campaign/108986/?utm_source=fcnlweb)

In support of this and other Indigenous concerns, Toward Right Relationships with Native Peoples (Friends Peace Teams) is offering an online event on Wednesday, March 18, 8 pm: [Advocating for Native Peoples on Capitol Hill](#). The presenter is Rachel Overstreet (Choctaw), an advocate for national policies that honor and support Native communities and repair relationships amongst various communities. To learn more about her efforts to establish a Truth and Healing Commission, you can read her article, [Speaking with Friends About Indian Boarding Schools](#), in the January 2026 issue of "Friends Journal." TRR regularly provides online presentations and workshops that are extremely informative and useful for advocating on behalf of Indigenous people and communities. You can learn more about their work and upcoming events at: <https://friendspeacetams.org/trr/>.

**The American Friends Service Committee** asks you to write your Representative and ask them to cosponsor H.R.3565, the [Block the Bombs Act](#). By introducing this bill, Members of Congress are proactively trying to block the Trump administration from delivering major US weapons to Israel. If enacted into law, this bill would block the following weapons to Israel: BLU-109 bunker busting bombs, MK80 series bombs, GBU-39 small diameter bomb variants, Joint Direct Attack Munitions (JDAMs), SPICE gliding bomb assemblies, 120mm tank ammunition, and 155mm artillery ammunition, including white phosphorus munitions.

**Ann Arbor Friends Meeting**, along with the American Friends Service Committee and a number of other Meetings, is a member of the Apartheid-Free Communities organization. Here are some valuable resources that were shared at the Apartheid-Free Communities Quaker Affinity Group Meeting in June: [Introductory Materials for Apartheid-Free Communities](#). And here is the [Quakers Apartheid-Free Communities webpage](#).

**Below you will find a link** to the Podcast, Native America Calling. The topic of this episode is Assessing the Outlook for Domestic Violence Prevention and Justice. Two of the four guests are from Michigan; Stacey Ettawageshik (UTFAV) and Tribal Judge Melissa Pope. It is a very interesting and informative discussion.

<https://youtu.be/CmWtKh35obU?t=303>

## LARGER CIRCLES OF FRIENDS

**Nontheist Friends Network** Please join us on Thursday, **March 5**, at 2PM EST for our next Creative Conversation. Jim Cain will be presenting on the "Quaker Approach to Rituals." We look forward to a lively conversation and hope that you will come and add your voice. If you have not already

done so, you might want to visit our website. It has a variety of resources that you might find useful on your nontheist journey. It can be found at <https://nontheist-quakers.org.uk/>

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84812726990?pwd=QugCR6EyQVDlOXkyWQMyP1uxrsZdRr.1>

Meeting ID: 848 1272 6990

Passcode: 357556

## AFSC Action Hour for Palestine

Via Zoom; **Every Friday at 12:00 p.m.**

Join AFSC staff every Friday at 12:00 p.m. to hear updates from Gaza. Then, take action with us as we contact our elected officials and call for humanitarian access to Gaza. Our elected officials need to keep hearing from us. [Register here.](#)

## Meeting for Worship with Attention to Peace in Palestine & Israel

Via Zoom | Every **Thursday**, 5:30 p.m.

Join the AFSC to pray for peace in Israel & Palestine. [Register here!](#)

## From AFSC

Increasing numbers of young people are finding that Quaker worship “speaks to their condition.” Do you ever wonder how or why? Perhaps this podcast will inform and inspire!

<https://quakerpodcast.com/finding-a-spiritual-home-what-does-quakerism-look-like-for-the-next-generation/>

**Upcoming:** a Tuesday evening online Focusing on Dreams course, which meets from Tuesday, **March 10** through Tuesday, **April 14**, from 7 to 9 pm Eastern time. There is a sliding scale fee, and you can also apply for financial assistance, if needed. For more information about the online Dreams course, go here: <https://pendlehill.org/calendar/focusing-on-dreams/2026-03-10/>

For information, write to [registrars@wfcrrp.com](mailto:registrars@wfcrrp.com).

## SAVE the DATE: LEYM Annual Sessions in Ashland Ohio

**June 18-21, 2026**

The 2026 Annual Meeting will be held June 18-21 at Ashland University in Ohio. Our theme: “Finding Hope, Joy and Courage in Community.” Our plenary speaker will be Joe Volk, and our bible study leader will be Doug Gwyn.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Voters Not Politicians’** Voters Ed Fund is helping voters get civically engaged for the 2026 midterm elections through the [My City Votes](#) Program. Are you...

- Passionate about civic education, especially at the local level?
- Interested in researching city charters and local government policies?
- Looking to lead a volunteer team in one of our My City Votes cities (Benton Harbor, Flint, Saginaw, Muskegon Heights, Oak Park, Pontiac, Warren, or Ypsilanti)?

They are looking for volunteers to join our Volunteer Leadership sub-committee and Research sub-committee. Leadership volunteers will help guide them on what type of civic engagement programming is best for the city. Research volunteers will help develop educational materials including print materials and workshops surrounding municipal government to reach voters in low propensity voting communities. Through local community engagement, they want to expand voter knowledge beyond just election preparedness to include understanding and engaging their local governments, including grassroots lobbying, participatory budgeting, and local ballot initiatives.

**[Please sign up here to sign up to be a My City Votes volunteer researcher, presenter, or volunteer team leader!](#)** If you have any additional questions, please reach out to me at [alyson@votersnotpoliticians.com](mailto:alyson@votersnotpoliticians.com).