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

**Sunday, April 19**

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, April 21**

2:00 Meeting for Walking \*

**Wednesday, April 22**

9:30 FCNL – Washtenaw Advocacy Team;  
 Chelsea Library

**Thursday, April 23**

6:00 YAF Common Hours Club; Corner Room

**Sunday, April 26**

9:30 Meeting for Worship — In-person  
 10:15 First Day School  
 10:30 Refreshments  
 11:00 Meeting for Worship — Blended  
 12:30 Visioning Committee worship sharing; Meeting Room & Zoom \*

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS****CCF/FDS Messages:****Sunday, April 19: First Day School from 9:45-10:30-- Following the Business Meeting Schedule**

This week Hadden will talk with the children about animal advocacy, and Claire will follow up with a lesson about Benjamin Lay's stewardship.

Nursery care is available from 9:30-1:00 this week. 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.
- **9:45–10:30** Children will be escorted downstairs for First Day School.
- **10:30–end of Business Meeting** there will be childcare available until the end of Business Meeting or 1:00, whichever comes first.

**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.

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**Meeting Worker on leave:** Luiza will be on maternity leave from April 9 till July 19. During that time, **please continue to use the office's** email address ([office@annarborfriends.org](mailto:office@annarborfriends.org)) for room reservations and other inquiries.

Kel Anders will be responding from the office's address. It will be easier to keep things organized if messages are sent there, instead of Kel's (or Luiza's) personal email. Thank you for your help!

**Quaker House Committee** is looking for volunteers to help with an experimental solution for accommodating a resident with long-term disabilities in Quaker House, while maintaining equity in the workload for other residents. We need helping hands from the Meeting for about 30-60 minutes once a month, to do a deep cleaning of the Nursery and Children's Room. This would include tasks such as dusting, vacuuming, and sweeping. Regular volunteers are preferred. Please contact Jeff Cooper ([cooperdaub@hotmail.com](mailto:cooperdaub@hotmail.com); 734-377-1676); Jan Wright ([janwright@umich.edu](mailto:janwright@umich.edu); 734-652-5328); or Anna Hillaker ([annahillaker@gmail.com](mailto:annahillaker@gmail.com); 734-645-1167) to find out more or to volunteer.

**Please consider service as Meeting Closer** for either the early or later Meeting for Worship. You can sign up here - [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1A-FQJSLbc62Vmwds57\\_i89unl-zM1BUEM9IjKKOD6E/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1A-FQJSLbc62Vmwds57_i89unl-zM1BUEM9IjKKOD6E/edit?usp=sharing).

There is a link to instructions on the site (and a hard copy is in the Meeting Closer) cubbyhole on your left as you go from the Meetinghouse to Quaker House.

If you have any questions, email the M&C co-conveners, Laura Scott ([laurascott456@gmail.com](mailto:laurascott456@gmail.com)) or Kevin Miller ([kevinmiller@gmail.com](mailto:kevinmiller@gmail.com)).

**Young Adult Friends**, YAFS ages 18-35ish meet for dinner on the second Sunday of each month at the home of an older Friend. The most recent dinner was hosted last Sunday by Cassie Cammann with Tom Blackwell assisting. Thank you to the hosts and to all who contributed food and drink – Laura L, Allie, Marilyn C, Laura S. Roomi and Naomi. In deference to Mothers' Day our next dinner will be one week earlier on the first Sunday of May – **May 3**. For information on this and other YAF activities contact Lily Wiest at [lily.wiest@gmail.com](mailto:lily.wiest@gmail.com).

**Meeting for Walking** – We walk at 2 pm, Tuesdays on the first and third weeks of each month. All are welcome. Our

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*Force may subdue, but Love gains: And he that forgives first, wins the Lawrel. ~ William Penn*

next walk will be on **April 21** at 2 pm when we'll be returning to Ypsilanti for a walk led by Bill Riccobono. This walking tour will visit the oldest and newest parts of Ypsilanti. Depot town and it's adjoining neighborhoods including its newest Dorsey Estates (2025). 2-3 local museums will be pointed out. Plan on a walk of 1.5 miles and approximately 1.5 hrs. Parking is available by the railroad tracks and behind the stores on Cross Street. Meet Bill at the tower by the railroad track on Cross Street.

The **Visioning Committee** will host a worship-sharing session on Sunday, **April 26**, at 12:30 pm in the Meeting Room and on Zoom. The query to be considered and other information about this session will be included in the documents for this month's meeting for business and also available at [Worship Sharing April 26](#). All are invited to attend.

**April Reading and Discussion** will meet on Tuesday, **April 28** at 7:00pm on zoom. Use the worship link to access the discussion. We will be discussing "Discernment." The readings can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/3yn3xm6s>. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Outdoor Work day:** Property Committee plans an outdoor workday at the Meetinghouse on Saturday **May 2**, 9 am–1 pm. Rain date is Saturday, May 9.

The **Reparative Justice committee** has started collection and delivery of items for the 24-7 Outdoor Pantry at Peace House. The box is in the lobby next to the stairs, with a list of needed and accepted items (also a link to the list here: [Needs and Wants list](#)). Friends have volunteered to deliver the food each third Sunday. Bring your food items any time.

### AMONG FRIENDS

**Save The Date** for the Memorial in the manner of Friends for Rick Plewa's husband George Ferrell. **August 1st**, 3 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Ann Arbor.

#### 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 am**. 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)).

### LARGER CIRCLES OF FRIENDS

**PENDLE HILL** is a Quaker study, retreat, and conference center. Check out their [calendar](#) for virtual and in person learning opportunities. <https://pendlehill.org/calendar/>.

#### Spring Bulletin Released

Printed copies of the **Spring LEYM Bulletin** are available on the lobby table. It contains much information about Annual Meeting, on June 18–21 in Ashland, Ohio: a draft schedule, the plenary talk by Joe Volk, descriptions of the 11 workshops. Other contents include a message from LEYM Clerk Jack Smith on what we offer our communities and an invitation to a spring Spiritual Formation Workshop led by Michael Wajda on May 3 at the Detroit Friends

Meetinghouse. You can also see the *Bulletin* on the LEYM website, at [leym.org](http://leym.org).

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Join us at the Michigan Statewide Environmental Justice AI Data Center Summit** at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation on Saturday, **April 25**, from 9am-5pm. The program includes vision-forward speakers, concrete strategies being used in communities around the state, as well as music, an art practice, and a healing space to rest. [Please sign up to attend](#) and share it with your friends - <https://www.michiganej.org/aidatacentersummit>. There will be a light breakfast, a lunch, snacks and childcare. ICPJ is a proud member of the host committee and is serving as the fiscal sponsor for the summit.

**Brown Chapel AME Church**, in Ypsilanti, will be holding its **73rd Brotherhood Banquet Saturday, April 25th**, beginning at 2:00 PM at Eastern Michigan University's Student Center Building. This year's Keynote Speaker will be Rev. Faith Fowler, Pastor of Cass Community United Methodist Church and Executive Director of Cass Community Social Services. Over the years, thanks to community support, Brown Chapel has been able to give more than \$35,000 to grassroots organizations making an impact in the Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor community and vicinity. [Here is a link for more information](#). You can purchase tickets (deadline April 15), or donate [HERE](#).

#### Fourth Annual A2 Climate Teach-in Sat., April 25, 1:00-5:30, Mitchell Elementary School

The theme for this year's Teach-in is Community Resilience — providing residents, business owners, students, sustainability professionals, and community leaders with concrete actions they can apply to enhance the resilience of individuals, neighborhoods, institutions, and our community as a whole. Responsibility for the Teach-in has transitioned this year to A2's Office of Sustainability and Innovation.

Use the "click here" button to register for this free event and confirm your attendance at the Teach-In. Selecting a breakout session in the registration will denote your interest in the session. A follow-up email will come in the weeks before the Teach-In to sign up for sessions once interest is determined and room capacities are assigned. *Mitchell Elementary School, 3550 Pittsview Dr. Free. Pre-registration required. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.*

Again this year, the **Community Farm of Ann Arbor** is providing fresh, healthy, organic produce to our low-income and housing-insecure friends and neighbors, through their Community Farm Donated Shares Program. Last year, the program raised over \$5000, including a donation from our meeting, to distribute food through **Peace House** (one of our Reparative Justice recipients) and **Brown Chapel AME**. The farm hopes to double that amount this year and needs donations at this time to help in their planning for the coming growing season. Donations can be made at <https://www.communityfarmofannarbor.com/donate/>. For more information about Community Farm of Ann Arbor, see their website at <https://www.communityfarmofannarbor.com/>