

# Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

## Newsletter

Eleventh Month, 2022

**Monthly Query:** *How do I strive to achieve harmony and balance between my inner and outer commitments?*

### Monthly Worship Tip from the M&W Committee:

*Come to Meeting with neither a resolve to speak, nor a determination not to speak, but rather with an attitude of expectant waiting and openness.*



**Upcoming Zoom Fora - 09:30 am** <https://www.chapelhillfriends.org/zoom/online.html>

**November 6: Family Sharing: Hart Pillow and Andrew Barker.**

**November 13: Max Carter** on “The sad demise of North Carolina Yearly Meeting (Friends United Meeting)

**November 20: No Forum - MWAB**

**November 27: Gratitude and Alternate Gift Mart** (Children and Youth Religious Education Committee)

### Small Group Worship at the Meetinghouse

After listening carefully to our community and giving thoughtful consideration to ways to meet the needs of our community, the Ministry & Worship Committee received permission from the Meeting to begin offering responsible opportunities for small group worship in a variety of settings. We invite the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting community to try and help us evaluate options for small group worship over the coming weeks.

In this unprecedented time, the committee is not pursuing the perfect answer to how to worship together, and we do not know the lowest risk way to proceed.

**Note:** To promote safety and reduce the possibility of Covid 19 transmission and infection, the completion of **vaccination protocol** and the **wearing of masks** around others on meeting property is lovingly expected. A risk assessment tool is available as well (<https://www.microcovid.org/tracker>). To keep the small group worship simple, there will be no refreshments available (bring your own water), indoor participants will be

urged to go outside at the rise of meeting to limit time in the building, and the building will be closed between early and late meetings. Friends are asked to not go downstairs (except for the nursery), for simplicity in preparation and maintenance of safe spaces..

Children older than 3 are encouraged to attend the first 15 minutes of worship and will be led down to the playground for First Day School, which is on the playground during Covid. However, there will be at least one adult on the playground starting at 11:00 for those who are nervous about indoors. For children under 3, the nursery is open downstairs if needed.

## Announcements

### Register Voters This Year - Hank Elkins shares with Friends:

The Racial Equity Subcommittee, the Transition & Support and the Peace & Justice Committees invite you to register voters for this year's election. Know that the need is particularly great to register those leaving prison and for people of color generally. We have a list of 82 men, mostly people of color, who have recently left prison. The Brennan Institute has reported that 90 out of 100 North Carolina Counties have disproportionately purged people of color from the voting rolls.

You can register voters online or in person. Email Astra Titus [astratitus@gmail.com](mailto:astratitus@gmail.com) or [hankelkis@gmail.com](mailto:hankelkis@gmail.com) with "Voting 2022" in the subject line.

See [North Carolina: The New Selma | Brennan Center for Justice](#)

See also: [New Tools are Needed to Protect Communities of Color in Redistricting | Brennan Center for Justice](#)

### It's Time to Sign Up for the Small Groups You Want to Join!

We have a good selection of small groups being offered by F/friends for F/friends in the Chapel Hill Meeting. We are grateful for these facilitators who have offered opportunities such as these:

- Vegan Potluck
- Systemic Racism case study and discussion
- Gathering for Lunch and Fellowship
- Funtime with Boardgame Arena
- Conversations for Spanish Speaking Quakers
- Hiking Local Trails
- Introduction to Faithfulness
- Crafts/Sewing Circle
- For those who Love Gardening
- Meeting for Eating
- Basics of our Quaker Faith
- Practicing the Presence

*And more...* take a look, see what appeals to you!

You will find sign-up sheets for each small group posted in the foyer of the meeting house from November 6 through November 27 and at Carol Woods for people who want to sign up in person. Soon we will have the information about each of the small groups available online, as well.

Watch your enews for more information.

Please sign up early because some groups may be limited in the number of participants.

Sign-ups will stop at the end of November.

Please check the dates and times of each group meeting, starting in January.

By signing up you commit to attending each of the four meetings scheduled.

Questions? Contact Dottie Heninger ([dottieheninger@gmail.com](mailto:dottieheninger@gmail.com)) or Lynn Drake ([linda.drake100@gmail.com](mailto:linda.drake100@gmail.com))

## Quaker House Update Summer/Fall 2022

**Quaker House had a busy summer as Wayne Finegar**, the new Executive Director, moved in and took charge of new initiatives and ongoing programs. Wayne spent much of the summer visiting Quaker meetings including SAYMA, SEYM, NCYM-C, Piedmont Friends, NC Fellowship, Baltimore YM, and monthly meetings in Vermont and South Carolina. In October, he'll attend the NCYM-C Representative Body at Durham Friends Meeting.

**In response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine**, Wayne organized several online worship sharings for participants to share experiences, personal witness, and action from the Peace Testimony. Recording links at (<https://quakerhouse.org/.../putting-action-to-witness.../>)

**The GI Rights Network** counselors Steve Woolford and Lenore Yarger respond to ~250 calls each month, about 1/3 of the total National Network. Two recent cases highlight their work:

*“Sometimes callers to the GI Rights Hotline have a clear basis for discharge but run into trouble getting their command to take the necessary action. These clients need someone to show them how to apply for discharge and to help them tell their story effectively. Daphne (not her real name) contacted us for help getting a hardship discharge. She had sought help on base and was given a template application to fill out which she completed and then sent to us for review. Unfortunately, the legal template she worked from was full of pre-written statements that were completely unrelated to her actual circumstances.... We interviewed Daphne by phone and compiled the one complete story demonstrating why she merited the discharge.... Right after submitting the now completed version, Daphne’s immediate command approved and pushed up her separation packet so that she could be promptly discharged. We frequently get cases like these where counselor expertise makes the difference between success and disapproval or delay....*

*“Sometimes we reschedule hours around other events going on.... One call that came in at 3:30 Friday was from a dad whose son was scheduled to report for boot camp first thing on Monday, but he had changed his mind and now didn't want to be in the Army anymore. We were able to go over all the options for getting released just in time! We always get excited when someone can get the last-minute information they need before it's too late. Now there is going to be a grumpy recruiter on Monday morning.”*

**Domestic Violence, PTSD, and Moral Injury within the Military:** Our Quaker House counselor continues to provide counseling and support to victims afflicted by these invisible wounds of war.

**Reproductive Rights of Service Members:** The complications of the recent US Supreme Court Dobbs decision continue to grow as jurisdictions and entities nation-wide work out implications. Since Federal law prohibits the Department of Defense from funding abortions, service members assigned to states with restrictive laws may face obstacles in receiving reproductive health care. See <https://quakerhouse.org/2022/07/21/complications-of-dobbs/>

**Quaker House in a Box:** Wayne is developing a “Quaker House in a Box,” a package of educational materials that member meetings can use to promote the peace testimony, particularly with young Friends.

**If you have questions contact CHF M Quaker House board members Rufus King, Tom McQuiston, or Curt Torell**

## Introduction to Faithfulness Groups: An Online Workshop

Saturday, Nov 19, 10 am - 12:30 pm and 2 - 3:30 pm (Eastern Time)

Campo Larrick shares with Friends:

- Are you looking for deep, rich, and intimate connections with others in your spiritual community?
- Are you looking for support and accountability as you try to live a Spirit-led life in these challenging times?
- Are you wondering what Faithfulness Groups are and whether the practice might be a good fit?

In this online introduction to Faithfulness Groups, participants will have opportunities to practice skills in deep listening and asking evoking questions, practices which assume that each person has a direct inward connection with God, Spirit, Christ and/or the Inner Guide. These skills can help people pay more attention to how the Spirit is at work in them and in their lives. They are useful for spiritual friendships and clearness committees, as well as faithfulness groups. Through pair exercises, small groups, and large-group discussion, we will explore the process of Faithfulness Groups as a model for listening to the Divine Presence. We will experience the capacity we each have to support people of any faith in allowing the work of the Spirit to become manifest through us and our communities.

### What is a faithfulness group?

A faithfulness group is a small group focused on helping one another discern and respond to how the Spirit is leading/calling each of us in our lives. In the structured format, two people have about an hour of focus each time the group meets, rotating among the members so that all have a turn.

The focus person gives a 15-minute presentation about the area of their life or leading or ministry they would like to focus on. Then the group asks questions to help the person explore this in a deeper way. The groups members help each other with identifying gifts, discerning leadings, noticing what might be blocking faithful action, and celebrating the activity of the Spirit in one another's lives. Group meetings often become opportunities for deeply centered or worshipful experiences together. They encourage a life of courageous faith and faithfulness. A faithfulness group is like a clearness committee in many ways, but a faithfulness group is an ongoing, mutual group, in which each person has a regular turn as the focus of the group. Because it meets in an ongoing way, it can help members discern about their efforts to be faithful step by step, over time.

In Marcelle Martin's book, *A Guide to Faithfulness Groups*, she writes, "To be faithful, most people require the support of at least a few companions to support both a deeper awareness of the movement of the Spirit and a courageous responsiveness." More about faithfulness groups, including links to videos and a pdf of the guidelines, is available at [Marcelle's blog](#), A Whole Heart.

### What will the workshop be like?

We intend that you leave the workshop feeling more prepared for continued and deepening faithfulness in your life, and perhaps inspired to participate in a Faithfulness Group yourself. At the end of the session, we'll discuss next steps and a wealth of additional supports for those who are interested in forming Faithfulness Groups.

Whether you are interested in learning about Faithfulness Groups for yourself, your Meeting, or your spiritual community, please join us for an experiential workshop to learn about the model of Faithfulness Groups as a way to delve into living more faithful lives—in big and small ways. If your schedule is tight, it is possible to attend only the morning session. The afternoon session, however, requires attendance in the morning.

### **Who will facilitate?**

Marcelle Martin (Swarthmore Meeting, PhYM), Jennifer Hogue (Friends Meeting of Cambridge, NEYM), and Benjamin Warnke (Brooklyn Meeting, NYYM), are teachers and Associates of the Nurturing Faithfulness program. Among them they have experience facilitating experiential workshops on Faithfulness Groups for monthly and yearly meetings across the country.

**Join us. All are welcome who are willing to share** about their spiritual experience and listen attentively while others do the same. The workshop will be facilitated by Quakers, but is open to people of other faiths. [Register here](#). This workshop is offered on a pay-as-led basis (sliding scale), with a suggested fee of \$15. [https://lu.ma/faithfulness\\_groups\\_2022?tk=tnE4WU](https://lu.ma/faithfulness_groups_2022?tk=tnE4WU)

### **Nichole Nettleton on Differently-Abled Friends and Allies**

Jan Hutton shares with Friends:

As a Friends Journal subscriber, I just found this article and was excited by it. Nichole Nettleton attended our meeting on and off for quite a few years and by the sounds of the article, has experienced a remarkable transformation. Well worth reading <https://www.friendsjournal.org/stirring-things-up-by-being-ourselves/>

### **"Talking about God: Why It's Hard But We Should Keep Trying" Lecture by Rhiannon Grant**

Wednesday, Nov. 16th, 7pm Moon Room in Dana Auditorium at Guilford College for Judith Weller Harvey Visiting Scholar Lecture Series

When you try to put a personal experience into words, it's always hard – describing a sunset or the feeling of love is hard, and explaining a spiritual experience is even harder. What language can we use and how can we find out if we're understanding each other? In this talk, Rhiannon Grant will draw on her work with British Quaker communities, who keep worshipping together despite disagreeing about what God is like and even if God exists, to explore some of the reasons why it's important to keep trying to communicate even the most difficult topics.

**Rhiannon Grant** works in the Centre for Research in Quaker Studies at Woodbrooke-- she recently co-edited the Routledge volume *The Quaker World* with C. Wess Daniels (2022). *Please reach out to Wess Daniels*, [danielscw@guilford.edu](mailto:danielscw@guilford.edu) or *Liz Nicholson*, [nicholsonea@guilford.edu](mailto:nicholsonea@guilford.edu) for more info. RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/RhiannonGrant>

### **Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry Annual Pecan Sale**

REMEMBER: Order pecans for OCC prison ministry online at [www.aoprisonministry.org](http://www.aoprisonministry.org).

Deadline NOVEMBER 4. \$15/lb.

Pick-up November 19 at Mt. Hermon Baptist Church.

Asta Crowe will pick up any orders by request and deliver them to the Meeting House on the morning of Nov. 20. Be sure to note on the order form **TO BE PICKED UP BY ASTA CROWE** and send an email to [astacrowe@gmail.com](mailto:astacrowe@gmail.com) with the number of bags you are ordering.

For more information contact [astacrowe@gmail.com](mailto:astacrowe@gmail.com)

## **Quaker Call to Action**

Pam Schwingl shares with Friends, with an update by Alice Carlton: (I attended the July 25 Zoom call and found it excellent. I urge Friends to sign up and attend one of the two upcoming calls. There will be more scheduled in the future.)

To Friends Throughout the United States:

Greetings in the Spirit of Love.

We write to share with you a call to action in response to the current extensive threats to our U.S. democracy. We are led to speak out against the lies, extremist movements, and anti-democratic actions that are the opposite of our Quaker understandings of integrity and Truth. This Call was prepared by a group of nineteen Friends.

We encourage your prayerful discernment of this “Urgent Call” and ask you as individuals, monthly meetings, yearly meetings, and Friends organizations to consider how you might be called to act with integrity in response to these concerns.

We invite all concerned Friends and friends to visit this website for more info: [quakercall.net](http://quakercall.net)

We are an ad hoc group of Quakers who believe in the power of Truth and who have faith in the witness of Friends. We know that the individual and collective actions of Friends and friends can have a powerful impact in our communities and in our individual faithful journeys. We welcome your questions, suggestions, and resources at [info@quakercall.net](mailto:info@quakercall.net).

In faithfulness,

The Urgent Call Steering Committee

Bruce Birchard, Sam Caldwell, Gretchen Castle, Mary Ellen McNish, Diane Randall, and Michael Wajda,  
clerk

## **Friends Committee on North Carolina Legislation (FCNCL) Action Alert:**

**FCNCL joins with Quaker Call to Action on the Urgent Call** to the Religious Society of Friends to help protect Democracy in North Carolina. This Action Alert lists steps YOU can take to help protect democracy in the 2022 election.

<https://fcncl.wpcomstaging.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/FCNCL-Action-Alert-Election-2022-1.pdf>

## **The IFC Pantry Needs Food Items**

Carolyn Stuart shares with Friends:

The Inter-Faith Council pantry continues to need donations of food items. Please think of the IFC as you do your grocery shopping! The basket in the meetinghouse foyer is available to receive your contributions on First Days. We are no longer offering last-Wednesday food donation pickups, as Friends tend now to either support the IFC through financial contributions or bring food items to the foyer on First Days.

Thank you.

## Visiting the Meetinghouse During Covid

As you know we've curtailed use of the meeting house during the pandemic. Occasionally, people have, and needed to, gone into the meeting house to support the few essential tasks of the meeting. We appreciate that those visits have been brief and infrequent. We do ask though that anyone that needs to go into the meeting house to please notify John Hite, by phone or text, prior to going. Thank you.

## Recurring Events

### Prayers for Healing/Holding in the Light, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 7-8:30 pm

YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN Virtual Prayers for Healing/Holding in the Light on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month, 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Join us when you can for as long as you wish - from your own home.

Do you have a name or a group of people to add to - or remove from - the list of those we will hold in our hearts and prayers? If so, please send to: [prayers@chapelhillfriends.org](mailto:prayers@chapelhillfriends.org). The list of names to be held in the Light will be renewed each month. Names must be resubmitted each month to be maintained on the list. We'll send an updated list on Wednesday afternoons. Thank you for joining us!

This virtual prayer service continues under the care of the Ministry and Worship Committee and each week, a volunteer will collect and post the names that are submitted and will read them aloud during the time of the service. You can be one of these volunteers! Please contact the Ministry and Worship Committee ([mw@chapelhillfriends.org](mailto:mw@chapelhillfriends.org)) or ([clerkofmeeting@chapelhillfriends.org](mailto:clerkofmeeting@chapelhillfriends.org)) to join the volunteers supporting this ongoing ministry.

### Pendle Hill Worship via Zoom, Daily, 8:30-9:10am

Pendle Hill Quaker Study, Retreat, and Conference Center is now opening their daily morning worship to everyone, by way of Zoom or phone. A lovely opportunity for gathered worship every morning. "A handful of Pendle Hill residents continue to gather daily in the Barn – from 8:30am to 9:10am Eastern Time – expanding the 90-year-long tradition of daily worship here on campus. Beginning the week of March 16, 2020, we started an experiment of opening the circle of worship to YOU in your home. You can join us here via Zoom."

<https://pendlehill.org/explore/worship/join-us-online-for-worship-in-the-barn/?bblinkid=210290749&bbemailid=19903873&bbejrid=1408822779>

**Note:** The above link takes you *not* to the meeting but to a page of general instructions. Look for the sentence "You can join us via Zoom **here**, or by clicking on the image below."

### Pray for Peace - From *Friends House Moscow*:

Link to the Daily Meeting for Worship for Peace sponsored by FHM/FHMSA: (Friends House Moscow)  
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4165005614?pwd=NUtieEtqbDBYbjBrcGdMMzBKQ3drQT09>

Meeting ID: 416 500 5614

Passcode: 182805

The room opens at 8:45am Pacific time (10:45 EST); worship begins on the hour and ends an hour later. After worship there will be time to share brief thoughts that did not rise to the level of ministry. You may also want to rename yourself indicating your geographic location. There will be no audible indicator when one enters or leaves, and everyone will be muted on entry. Please leave yourself muted unless giving ministry. Ministry may also be shared in the chat, but it is not the place for private conversations. If you are new to Quaker unprogrammed worship and wish to talk with someone about it, send a message to the host and someone can join you in a breakout room.



## **Personals**

Perry Martin shares with Friends:

I am offering my house in Arcadia for sale . I am hoping for a family who wants to live and participate in a co-housing community. Our HOA makes decisions by consensus and has adopted values consistent with Quaker values, Contact Becky Laskody at 919 - 906-4283

**< Minutes of 10/2022 Meeting For Worship With Attention to Business and Appendices follows >**



## Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

### Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

#### Minutes

9 am Sunday October 16, 2022

#### Online via Zoom

#### Ann Miller, Clerk, and Susan Inglis, Recording Clerk

In attendance: Jeff Brown, Hart Pillow, Tom Munk, Monteze Snyder, Hank Elkins, Nancy Elkins, Maura Murphy, Peter Malone, Emilie Condon, Ken Grogan, Nancy Milio, Lori Khamala, Sean Chen, Carolyn White, Jan Hutton, Alice Carlton, Dave Curtin, Quaker Harmon, Lynn Drake, Matt Drake, Wendy Michener, Jasmine, McKewen, Julia Cleaver, John Pilgrim, David Waterman, Deborah Gibbs, John Hite, Tom Ludlow, Bonnie Ludlow, Paul Munk, Rob Jones, John Bell, Dottie Henninger, Allie Scales, Buzz Borchardt, Susan Inglis, Ann Miller

1. Opening worship and query – Ann Miller, clerk

Query: “What am I doing to promote healing within our community and the larger community?”

2. After opening worship, Ann welcomed Friends and reviewed the agenda. There were no first-time attenders.
3. Susan presented the Minutes of the September Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business (MWAB). They were approved.
4. Ann read a request for marriage under the care of CHFM from Marya Plotkin and Michael Hanson. The request will be referred to Care and Counsel to form a clearness committee. The letter is attached here as Appendix 1.
5. Maura Murphy, Treasurer presented the First Quarter Treasurer’s report. It is attached here as Appendix 2. Friends accepted the report with gratitude.
6. Jasmine McKewen proposed a Minute from Children’s Youth Religious Education committee, with input from Ministry and Worship and Buildings & Grounds. Jasmine described how the Meeting’s children met outside through last winter and would like to meet inside this winter. CYRE’s request to use the lower level of the Meeting house for First Day School was presented to B&G with the following decision: “B&G agrees that the nursery may be used when needed; the teen room can be used with ventilation adjustment. Elementary and middle school groups will use the Carolina Friends School multipurpose room and other rooms there. Masks are required. There is no requirement for vaccination.” With discussion, Friends arrived at unity and aligned with B&G’s decision.
7. Wendy Michener brought a request from the Peace & Justice Committee on Benevolence subcommittee formation. To begin, she reviewed the prior approved minute:
  1. Excerpt from Minute on Benevolence Recommendations, approved by MWAB May, 2021. “the Peace and Justice committee has oversight of 21% of the Meeting’s benevolence funds. (79% of benevolence funds go to our “Legacy” organizations: IFC, AFSC, FCNL, CFS, and Quaker House, and are managed by the Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.) It is the practice of the Meeting that a Benevolence Subcommittee is created to undertake this task, and make recommendations to the Peace and Justice committee. ... As outlined in the Mission and Process document of the Peace and Justice committee, the Benevolence Subcommittee is made up of two members of the Peace and Justice committee, and two members appointed by the Meeting. ... We celebrate the reality that our Meeting gives a large percentage of its income to organizations that we trust to carry forward meaningful work in the world. However, as has been true for many years, the processes and decisions around our Meeting’s gifts has

been complex... thus a simplified, and focused process would allow us to move away from the often competitive, and divisive process of distributing small amounts of money to many organizations.”

2. P&J now requests that in future the subcommittee be formed through Nominations, but for this year that P&J themselves form the subcommittee. Friends are in unity to give P&J the responsibility for forming the subcommittee and presenting recommendations for benevolences.
8. Peter Malone for Buildings and Grounds Committee provided an update on current projects around the Meeting House, including the repair to the entry, which is a 3-phase process that is not likely to impede access to the Meeting House on First Days. At the December workday, Friends will likely be able to contribute to the ongoing drainage project by digging. HVAC/Ventilation updates will come later.
9. John Bell presented a request for support of CHFM for the County Landmark application for the historic Eno Friends burying ground, explaining the history of that meeting and the cemetery. The following Minute was approved: “CHFM supports the plan to apply for County Landmark designation for the historic Eno Friends Burying Ground.”
10. Ann called for other concerns of members, a time for unseasoned concerns to be identified only and simply heard or referred. Two concerns arose:
  1. The idea that Meeting should have a designated fund for supporting small requests that arise throughout the year, apart from our benevolences.
  2. The idea of reducing the number of fans in the meeting room.
11. Ann reminded us that the next Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business is planned for 9:00 AM on 11/20/2022.
12. Announcements:
  1. Small groups are forming soon. Please consider facilitating a group and let Ministry & Worship know by November 4. Please also make an effort to join a group of interest.
  2. Reminder about the Quaker Call to Action, more info at [info@quakercall.net](mailto:info@quakercall.net).
  3. Quaker Cottage in Belfast (Northern Ireland) is closing after 40 years <https://belfastmedia.com/quaker-cottage-closure>  
Friends are asked to hold them in the Light.
  4. The memorial service for our Friend, Kitty Bergel, will take place under the care of the meeting in the Carol Woods Assembly Hall at 2:00 pm on Saturday, October 22. All attending the service will be masked.
  5. The Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry (AOPM) is once again holding its annual pecan sale to benefit the ministry and the chaplain's salary. This is a very important part of our Friends Meeting prison ministry. You can order by going to [www.aoprisonministry.org](http://www.aoprisonministry.org) for more information and order online, or download the form and mail it in with a check. You can also call Kris Zyczkiewicz at 508-446-0741. ORDERS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 4. All orders must be pre-paid. The pecans will be delivered to the Friends Meeting House on Sunday morning, November 20. You can pick them up from the library. MOST IMPORTANT: WHEN YOU SEND IN YOUR FORM/ON LINE ORDER, BE SURE TO PUT -- PICK UP BY ASTA CROWE and send her an email so she knows to pick up your order: [astacrowe@gmail.com](mailto:astacrowe@gmail.com)

Request for Marriage Under the Care of CHFM

**Marya Plotkin**  
**Michael Hanson**

September 5, 2022

To: ... Care and Council Committee, Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

Dear *Friends*,

It is with great pleasure that Michael and I announce our intention to marry, and further, our request to be married under the care of Chapel Hill Friends Meeting. As a long-term attender of CHFM, the Meeting has, for years, cared for me by way of supportive friendships and diligent concern for spiritual journeys, both mine and community.

Michael, although not a Quaker, shares and lives the simplicity, peace, integrity, community and equality principles of Quakerism. He will be honored to learn about Quaker principles of marriage under the care of Chapel Hill Friends Meeting.

Our decision to seek support from CHFM may appear unsurprising given my long-term attendance at Meeting for Worship. Yet the decision of where to turn with one of life's most important commitments is profound and holds a logic of love which is not always straightforward. Our request to CHFM to provide loving support to our marriage is not based on following an obvious road map. Instead, it is based on deep trust that CHFM is the right community to assist us in the unfolding process of living life together reflectively, with the intention of continually being of service to each other, to our families and to our communities.

We are thus requesting a Clearness Committee be convened by Chapel Hill Friends Meeting to help provide clarity and support as we plan our wedding in July 2023.

With joy and love,

## Appendix 2

## First Quarter Treasurer's Report

8:20 PM  
10/02/22  
Cash Basis

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of September 30, 2022

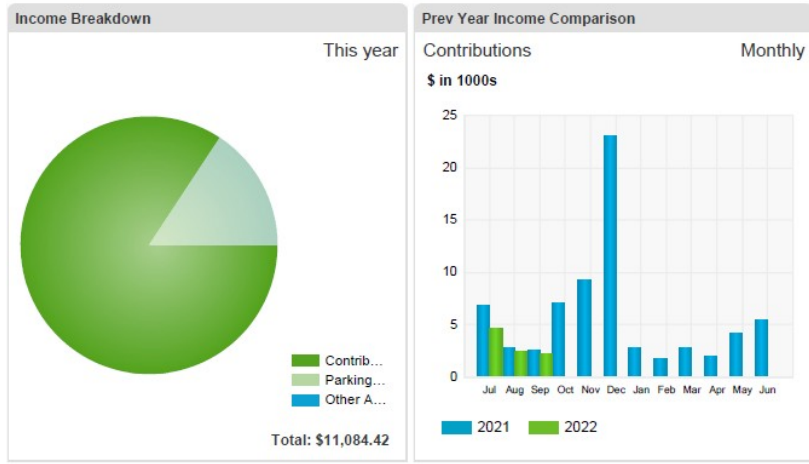
	<u>Sep 30, 22</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1-Checking Trulst-2699	50,831.63
2-Savings Trulst-9737	56,132.53
3-Designated Renova Trulst-4039	31,926.23
4-Designated Funds Trulst-4593	
Care and Counsel Support Funds	7,887.39
ReFac Support Funds	2,321.05
Shotts Leadership Support Funds	3,649.65
Youth Service Support Funds	4,116.25
4-Designated Funds Trulst-4593 - Other	0.15
Total 4-Designated Funds Trulst-4593	<u>17,974.49</u>
Total Checking/Savings	156,864.88
Other Current Assets	
FF- General Fund Designated	27,351.32
FF- Physical Plant Resrv Fund-D	34,938.09
Total Other Current Assets	<u>62,289.41</u>
Total Current Assets	219,154.29
Other Assets	
FF- Shotts Endowment Rat	<u>37,050.95</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>37,050.95</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u><u>256,205.24</u></u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	<u>-78.32</u>
Total Accounts Payable	-78.32
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	<u>698.41</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>698.41</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>620.09</u>
Total Liabilities	620.09
Equity	
FF Unrealized Gain/Loss	18,940.00
Opening Balance Equity	134,376.03
Unrestricted Net Assets	97,032.37
Net Income	<u>5,236.75</u>
Total Equity	<u>255,585.15</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u><u>256,205.24</u></u></b>

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting  
Budget v. Actuals  
July through September 2022

	Jul - Sep 22	Budget	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Income</b>			
Contributions	9,341.76	67,736.00	13.8%
Parking space rental	1,740.00	4,734.00	36.8%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>11,081.76</b>	<b>72,470.00</b>	<b>15.3%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>11,081.76</b>	<b>72,470.00</b>	<b>15.3%</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
<b>A-Obligations</b>			
Bank Fee	0.00	50.00	0.0%
FDS Coordinator/Childcare	1,212.40	7,500.00	16.2%
Insurance	0.00	6,110.00	0.0%
Software License Fee	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
UBIT, Storm Fees	0.00	2,000.00	0.0%
Utilities	212.01	5,300.00	4.0%
Zoom operator	0.00	2,400.00	0.0%
<b>Total A-Obligations</b>	<b>1,424.41</b>	<b>24,360.00</b>	<b>5.8%</b>
<b>B-Committees</b>			
Adult Religious Ed	0.00	150.00	0.0%
Building and Grounds	1,429.16	8,500.00	16.8%
Care and Counsel			
Meeting for Suffering	0.00	200.00	0.0%
Care and Counsel - Other	0.00	110.00	0.0%
<b>Total Care and Counsel</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>310.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
Children's/Youth Religious Ed	0.00	500.00	0.0%
Communication Technology	2,346.47	5,400.00	43.5%
Finance			
Contingency Fund	0.00	300.00	0.0%
Credit Card Fee	4.36	450.00	1.0%
Finance - Other	252.61	1,300.00	19.4%
<b>Total Finance</b>	<b>256.97</b>	<b>2,050.00</b>	<b>12.5%</b>
Friends Transition & Suppt-Yoke	0.00	600.00	0.0%
Hospitality	0.00	415.00	0.0%
IFC	0.00	50.00	0.0%
Library	0.00	370.00	0.0%
Ministry and Worship	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
Nominations	0.00	40.00	0.0%
Peace and Justice			
National Quaker Service	0.00	900.00	0.0%
Peace and Justice - Other	15.66	500.00	3.1%
<b>Total Peace and Justice</b>	<b>15.66</b>	<b>1,400.00</b>	<b>1.1%</b>
Publications and Communications	0.00	100.00	0.0%
<b>Total B-Committees</b>	<b>4,048.26</b>	<b>20,885.00</b>	<b>19.4%</b>
<b>C-Transfers to other accounts</b>			
Returning Citizens	0.00	200.00	0.0%
Youth Service Trip	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total C-Transfers to other accounts</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

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	Jul - Sep 22	Budget	% of Budget
<b>D-Benevolences</b>			
Legacy Benevolences	0.00	19,454.00	0.0%
M&W Benevolences	0.00	1,400.00	0.0%
P&J Benevolences	0.00	5,171.00	0.0%
<b>Total D-Benevolences</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>26,025.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>5,472.67</b>	<b>72,470.00</b>	<b>7.6%</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>5,609.09</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>			
<b>Other Income</b>			
Misc Income			
Interest Income	2.66		
<b>Total Misc Income</b>	<b>2.66</b>		
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>2.66</b>		
<b>Other Expense</b>			
Shotts Leadership	375.00		
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>375.00</b>		
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>-372.34</b>		
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>5,236.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



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