

Elmbank Events

May 2025

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Meetings for Worship are held by Zoom and in the Meeting House at 11.00 on Sundays and on Wednesdays at 12.30. See below for more information and links.

Sun 4 May	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom 1.00 Local Meeting for Business
Mon 5 May	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom
Tues 6 May	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 7 May	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom 2.0 Experiment with Light
Sun 11 May	11.00 to 11.30 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom 12.00 Extraordinary Local Meeting for Business on the future of the Meeting House – see below
Mon 12 May	5.15 Monday Quaker Community 7.30 Young Friends Epilogue – see below
Tues 13 May	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 14 May	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom 2.0 Experiment with Light
Sat 17 May	Quaker Walk up the Falls of Clyde – details below
Sun 18 May	11.00 Meeting for Worship In the Meeting House and by Zoom 11.00 Meeting for Worship at Faslane naval base
Mon 19 May	5.15 Monday Quaker Community
Tues 20 May	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 21 May	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom 2.00 Experiment with Light
Sun 25 May	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom
Mon 26 May	5.15 Monday Quaker Community 7.30 Young Friends Epilogue – see below

Tues 27 May	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 28 May	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House and by Zoom 2.00 Experiment with Light

Reminder – If you wish to have something circulated within the Meeting, please email it to Clive Potter at Mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk

QUAKER BUSINESS MEETINGS

The next Local Meeting for Business is on **Sunday 4 May** at 1pm in the Meeting House. Lunch will be provided beforehand for those attending.

Extraordinary Local Meeting for Worship for Business on 11th May 2025 at 12 midday at Elmbank Crescent.

Advice and Query 15.

‘Do you take part as often as you can in meetings for church affairs? Are you familiar enough with our church government to contribute to its disciplined processes? Do you consider difficult questions with an informed mind as well as a generous and loving spirit? Are you prepared to let your insights and personal wishes take their place alongside those of others, or be set aside as the meeting seeks the right way forward?’

Following a decision by Glasgow Local Meeting on 2nd March 2025, Glasgow Local Meeting clerks have arranged an extraordinary Local Meeting for Worship for Business on Sunday May 11th at midday. Its purpose is to discern the way forward regarding either:

Selling the meeting house and moving to temporary rented accommodation to give us space and time to decide where we want our home to be in the long term
or:

Committing to remaining in Glasgow meeting house in Elmbank Street for the foreseeable future.

We need all of you who feel you have an investment in our community, whether members or attenders, to be there – either in person or on-line. This will allow everyone to participate in the discernment process, whether through silent or spoken ministry. Your contribution really matters. So please could you prioritise this important meeting to allow us to move forward as a whole spirit led community.

The arrangements are as follows:

On Sunday May 11th our Meeting for Worship will be from 11am to 11.30am rather than for the full hour. There won't be notices. Instead at 11.30am we will have a quiet half hour until midday, to give time for a comfort break, and the collection of teas and coffees before returning to our seats. Please bring along a sandwich if you wish.

The Extraordinary LM will begin at 12 midday. We hope that everyone will be able to carry the spirit of worship from our earlier MFW into the Meeting for Worship for Business, to allow us all to come to it with hearts and minds prepared.

For visitors and infrequent attenders who may not wish to come to the extraordinary LM, a separate meeting for worship will be held in the library from 11am to 11.50am.

Arrangements for children's meeting on the 11th May will be announced nearer the time, but it is likely that this will take place earlier than 11am to give parents and caregivers time to come to the LM at midday.

Please contact Ruth Wilkinson or Rosemary Morgan if you have any questions.

In Friendship Glasgow Local Meeting Clerks and Elders

For background, refer to the priorities for the meeting discerned in 2013, copied at the end of this newsletter, before the rotas.

VISIT TO THE UNITARIAN CHURCH

Sunday 27 April at 2pm

The Alternative Premises search group have arranged this visit to possible new premises.

We are having normal Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House at 11 am. This will be followed by lunch. Then at 2pm we will be able to have a half an hour Meeting for Worship at the Unitarian Church at 72 Berkeley Street, G3 7DS.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT QUAKERS

On 21 June Woodbrooke will run a day course called 'Talking Cheerfully'.

Further details will be circulated later.

MEETING FOR WORSHIP AT FASLANE

Sunday 18 May

Please join us to increase our witness to Peace.

Meeting for Worship is held outside the North Gate of Faslane Naval Base. Bring suitable clothing and something to sit on. There are some large boulders as well.

Advice and assistance with transport are available. Please contact Mary Alice Mansell, mamansell54@gmail.com.

Provisional dates for the rest of 2025 are: 29 June, 21 September, 9 November.

FOR PEACE! exhibition at Glasgow Women's Library

Featuring campaigns from the last 100 years, the exhibition combines original printed materials, banners, badges, handicrafts, photos, audio interviews and video footage.

<https://womenslibrary.org.uk/event/for-peace/>

The exhibition opened on 17th April and runs until 5th July.

Save the date for a sit down panel event on 15th May with folk discussing:

- Women working for a nuclear free and independent Pacific
- the militarisation of the Scottish islands
- solidarity with the Western Shoshone nation
- Workers for a Free Palestine

LABYRINTH

We are looking for some **more volunteers** to help maintain a community garden in Maryhill, developed by our friend Steve Koepplinger. We aim to garden once month on Saturday mornings 11-1 - the exact days to be confirmed after consultation with possible volunteers. No special skills are required, except a willingness to weed and get muddy! Litter picking is also needed. Some tools are provided, but you may want to bring you own favourites.

Can anyone interested email [Charlotte Wright \(charlmorayplace@outlook.com\)](mailto:charlmorayplace@outlook.com) and she will set up a doodle poll to identify suitable dates.

CLIMATE CAFÉ

Monday 28 April, 5.30 and Monday 26 May.

The Climate Cafe is now regularly the 4th Monday of the month for our usual light shared supper at 5.30, followed by sharing news and views from about 6.30 until 8.00 pm.

And a reminder that the WhatsApp group is the place to keep up with news and reflections in the meantime

Further information from Doreen Osborne glasgowquakers.climatecafe@gmail.com

QUAKER WALKS

The next walk is on **Saturday 17 May**. This will be up the Falls of Clyde from New Lanark, led by Phillida Ball. Let Daphne Wassermann know as soon as possible if you would like details.

Future walks:

Saturday 28 June. Provisionally a train ride to Crianlarich then walk down the West Highland Way and get a ferry across to Ardlui and train back. Led by Charlotte Wright. This is quite a long day.

Saturday 5 July. A short walk around Pollok Park and environs as a contrast to the West Highland Way. Led by Daphne Wassermann.

Friday 25 July. Route to be determined. All offers welcomed.

If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please contact Daphne Wassermann - daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com

ADVANCE NOTICE

WISTON WEEKEND Fri 5 - Sun 7 Sept 2025: First Call.

The Quaker Wiston Weekend organising group invites all Friends and attenders across Scotland for a weekend for 'Building Community' in the year that Quakers in Scotland is incorporated.

We will have a mix of activities, fellowship and worship for Friends of all ages. Simplicity and Sufficiency are to be the values we explore.

5.00pm for 6.00pm Friday 5th to 2.00pm Sunday 7th September 2025 at Wiston Lodge, Millrigg Road, Wiston, near Biggar, South Lanarkshire ML12 6HT.

QuakerWistonWeekend@gmail.com

REGULAR QUAKER MEETINGS

Meeting for Worship

Sundays at 11am and Wednesdays at 12.30

In person and on Zoom.

Zoom

Meetings continue by Zoom on Sundays at 11am and Wednesdays at 12.30.

The links are listed below and details will also be sent out with the Zoom reminder.

Note that you are encouraged to stay on the Zoom after the meeting has finished to chat to each other. The host will mute the Meeting Room and turn the video off so you aren't distracted by those in the Meeting House.

Sundays (except 5th Sundays)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89368343115?pwd=YitDVmYvTm5EcHBVQjZvbE42Y2ltZz09>

Meeting ID: 893 6834 3115

Passcode: 804071

Wednesdays

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88247219711?pwd=U24RIWuWWwOM7mfDHmFXM6x8DBFaSO.1>

Meeting ID: 882 4721 9711

Passcode: 259401

5th Sundays

Local Meeting agreed that on the 5th Sundays there will be no blended meeting in Glasgow and Meeting for Worship will be in the Meeting House only.

If you would like to join a Meeting by Zoom you are welcome to join Friends in Milngavie Meeting with the following links.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7462365700?pwd=S005RkYkYkQ0eDUzd3RmNGU4L05hdz09>

Meeting ID: 746 236 5700 Passcode: 086276

Monday Quaker Community

We meet by Zoom only, from 5.15 to 6pm. From 5.15 to 5.40 we share something of what is happening in our lives, from 5.40 to 6pm we have Meeting for Worship, and during that time we may hold friends known to us in the Light. All are welcome!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82940579290?pwd=BtxJ1ol51dNYtmKX25r87PeoljEbMU.1>

Meeting ID: 829 4057 9290

Passcode: 214455

To join the mailing list, please contact Sheila Semple at
Sheila.semple@btinternet.com

Time for Stillness

Every Tuesday, 8.00 to 8.30am

A reminder that Time for Stillness (T4S) is every Tuesday morning 7.50am for an 8am start. It is a lovely way to start your day, gathering with Friends in Stillness.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88234938362?pwd=sy9Pa9GevLFHTTxTlkpb0gfwvxjC5y.1>

Meeting ID: 882 3493 8362

Passcode: 916844

Deepening Spirituality

Early morning meeting at 10am on 4 and 18 May.

We meet on the first and third Sundays of the month at 10am for a silent half hour then chat and discuss.

Open to all.

Any queries contact Margaret Roy.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7613798296?pwd=enZDWS9iRHNHUIIZR2dBb3N2YjBoZz09>

Meeting ID: 761 379 8296 Passcode: EwLWed

Young Friends Monday Night Epilogues

12 and 26 May

Aged teen to 35ish? Please join us in person on alternate Mondays from 6pm in the Meeting House, Elizabeth Fry room, for a potluck or bring and share dinner. Please no nuts due to allergies. Followed by a worship in person and online at 7:30pm - 8:00pm.

Otherwise join us at 7:30-8:00pm in person at the Meeting House and online for our regular, fortnightly epilogue worship.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88133736587?pwd=dFZGNXpaSFhhUis4Ti8vcGJiYIVEQT09>

Meeting ID: 881 3373 6587 Passcode: 623455

Organising WhatsApp group for this community:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KjASIZWGm0xJ8SK7oDvz10>

Experiment with light

Wednesdays 2pm to 4pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86968437459?pwd=FVJVsdR3wvZscJo4FUlIXrmoAwkeXa.1>
Meeting ID: 869 6843 7459 Passcode: 881765

Quakers in Europe Prayer Group

Saturdays 08:30 to 9.30 am

For further information contact Mary Troup, marytroup2001@gmail.com or 07776146265

Sunday evening Area Meeting for Worship (Zoom only)

The meeting is open from 7.15pm to give time to say hello and settle in. The worship starts at 7.30pm for half an hour after which there is time for chat.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85320172452?pwd=Y21aXNuHocwL3LOZb4CmPHR9i87wXe.1>

Meeting ID: 853 2017 2452 Passcode: 563890

If anyone has any difficulties please call Kate Gulliver on her mobile 07596 725387.

COLLECTIONS

We are grateful to those Friends who have been able to make donations to Glasgow Meeting funds by bank transfer. For anyone who would like to do this, the details are: Glasgow Quaker Meeting, Sort code: 80-07-24, Account number 00384645. Please be sure to use the Reference: Donation.

Collections can also be made in person in the Meeting House.

Special Collections

The **Special Collection** on **27 April** will be for **Freedom from Torture** and will be introduced by Daphne Wassermann.

Freedom from Torture (FFT) is the only UK-based human rights organisation dedicated to the treatment and rehabilitation of torture survivors. Their main office is in London but they also have branches in Manchester and Glasgow. The Glasgow branch is in the Adelphi Centre near Florence Street.

FFT provides counselling, group therapy and ongoing support for survivors of torture. In addition they provide a number of creative and group activities across their centres, including gardening, music, art, football and cooking. Further information from: www.freedomfromtorture.org.

There will be a collection box in the Meeting House and I have set up a just giving page if you wish to donate online.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/daphne-wassermann-10>

The **Special Collection** on **25 May** will be for Medical Aid for Palestinians, introduced by Young Friends.

Palestinian lives in Gaza continue to be at critical risk from illness, starvation, and a lack of access to healthcare due to the Israeli military's systematic dismantling of Gaza's health system. Meanwhile, Israeli military attacks continue in the occupied West Bank.

Medical Aid for Palestinians provide vital supplies, medicines and humanitarian aid to the occupied Palestinian territory and Lebanon. MAP is also committed to bearing witness to the injustices caused by occupation, displacement and conflict. They speak out in the UK and internationally, and ensure Palestinian voices are heard at the highest levels, to press for the political and social barriers to Palestinian health and dignity to be addressed.

If you wish to donate online the link is <https://www.map.org.uk/?form=FUNFXHDCJPK>

USEFUL INFORMATION

Generic email addresses

Clerk@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Pastoralcare@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Elders@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Children@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Treasurer@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Property@glasgowquakers.org.uk.
Librarian@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Roomhire@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Hospitality@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Communications@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Nominations@glasgowquakers.org.uk
Glasgowquakers.climatecafe@gmail.com
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Committee minutes and documents

The link is as follows

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1yacRe0kYhXxw7czWwyCJeocMZFg7VnV>

Committees are encouraged to upload their minutes, remits and any other useful documents. If a committee clerk wants access, please contact Charlotte Wright.

Social media

X - @GlasgowQuakers Elmbank38

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GlasgowQuakers>

Young Friends Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/684886601939198>

Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/glasgowquakers>

Website - <https://www.quakerscotland.org/glasgow>

There is also a Young Friends WhatsApp group. To join contact Georgia Campbell.

Zoom bookings

Friends who need to book meetings on our Zoom account will be given the login details. They will be able to see what other meetings have been booked. At present this information is not accessible more generally.

Note that only one meeting can take place at a time so **please check the Meetings tab before booking your meeting** to ensure that there is no clash.

Events in the Meeting House

All bookings and events can be found at
<https://teamup.com/ksshsgwcufaxdb49gf>

Other newsletters and websites

West Scotland Quaker News and more information on our Area Meeting are available at
www.quakerscotland.org/west

Scotland General Meeting

Scottish Friend newsletter is online at <http://www.quakerscotland.org/general-meeting>

All the Britain Yearly Meeting newsletters can be accessed at
quaker.org.uk/newsletters

Glasgow Local Meeting website is now part of the General Meeting website.
www.quakerscotland.org/glasgow

Keeping in touch

If you want to be on the Meeting email distribution list please contact Clive Potter,
glasgowquakeremails@icloud.com.

Please send items for June "Elmbank Events" by **Friday 23 May** to **Daphne Wassermann**
0141 357 0396
daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com

Priorities identified in Glasgow meeting from the 2013 visioning process

Over 40 friends have met today. We have been through a vibrant rich and varied series of worshipful processes very ably facilitated by Verene Nicolas . We reviewed the visioning process so far and the six priorities we identified out of it :

1. Enjoying a sense of fellowship and spiritual growth
2. Finding opportunities for learning Quaker processes and increased participation in the life of the Meeting.
3. Supporting us as individuals and as a Meeting to fully live our values, testimonies and processes .
4. Building a strong collective social witness and relationship with our local community in Glasgow including the interfaith community.
5. Creating a space which works for us and embodies and enables our ministry and witness (peace, beauty, openness, conviviality, accessibility, environmental sustainability etc).
6. Rebalancing our roles and responsibilities so we meet the spiritual and practical needs of our community.

Glasgow Quaker Meeting Rotas: May 2025

	Sunday 4th	Sunday 11th	Sunday 18th	Sunday 25th
Clerk (for notices)	Joyce Taylor	Martin Mansell	Ruth Wilkinson	Daphne Wassermann
Elders in the Meeting House and welcoming after Meeting	<p>Sheila Semple and Linda Cannon Elder for Local Meeting: David Thomas</p> <p>On line elder when not prevented: Zem Moffat</p>	<p>11.00 to 11.30 Rosemary Morgan and Daphne Wassermann (A&Q / QFP)</p> <p>12.00 Elders for special Local Meeting: Sheila Semple and Leilani Rabemananjara</p> <p>11.00 – 11.50 Library Linda Cannon and Mary Cox</p>	Neil McKechnie and Rosemary Morgan	David Thomas and Daphne Wassermann
Zoom host in the Meeting House	Martin Mansell	Charlotte Wright	tbc	Frank Vaughan
Warden	Michael Hutchinson	Ren Clark	Tom Hair	Ben Blain
Doorkeeper	Layla Alroomi	Layla Alroomi	tbc	Layla Alroomi
Pastoral Care	Gisela Creed	Mary Cox	Mark Coleman	Mary Alice Mansell
Tea/coffee	Ben Blain	Tom Hair	Mike Nellis	Ben Blain
Hospitality	Local Meeting: Tina Cunningham and Paul Lynch			
Children's Meeting lead	Paul Lynch	Mary Troup	Mary Troup	Kath Allen
Children's Meeting helper	Rosemary Morgan	Mary Alice Mansell	Kath Allen	Mary Alice Mansell
Other Events		Fair Trade Stall	Meeting for Worship at Faslane	

Wednesday Meetings for Worship

Meetings are held every Wednesday in the Meeting House and by Zoom.
 There is no longer a designated host as this meeting is quite small.
 Anyone can join using the link circulated.