

# Glasgow Quaker News

## March 2026

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Sun 1 March	11.00 Meeting for Worship In the Renfield Centre and by Zoom 13.00 Local Meeting for Business in the Renfield Centre and by Zoom
Mon 2 March	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below
Tues 3 March	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 4 March	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom 14.00 Experiment with light – see below
Thurs 5 March	12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench
Sun 8 March	11.00 All Age Meeting for Worship in the Renfield Centre and by Zoom
Mon 9 March	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below
Tues 10 March	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 11 March	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom 14.00 Experiment with light – see below
Thurs 12 March	12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench
Friday 13 March	Quaker Walk
Sun 15 March	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Renfield Centre and by Zoom 11.00 Meeting for Worship at Faslane Naval Base – see below
Mon 16 March	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below
Tues 17 March	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 18 March	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom 14.00 Experiment with light – see below
Thurs 19 March	12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench
Sun 22 March	11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Renfield Centre and by Zoom
Mon 23 March	5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below
Tues 24 March	8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below
Wed 25 March	12.30 Meeting for Worship in the Unitarian House and by Zoom

14.00 Experiment with light – see below

Thurs 26 March 12.00 Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench

Sun 29 March 11.00 Meeting for Worship in the Renfield Centre – no Zoom

Mon 30 March 5.15 Monday Quaker Community by Zoom – see below  
6.00 for 7.30 Young Friends Epilogue

Tues 31 March 8 am Time for Stillness by Zoom – see below

**Reminder** – If you wish to have something circulated within the Meeting, please email it to Clive Potter at [Mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk](mailto:Mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk)

**Renfield Centre:** 260 Bath Street, Glasgow, G2 4JP

**Unitarian House:** 72 Berkeley Street, Glasgow, G3 7DS

## **QUAKER BUSINESS MEETING**

The next Local Meeting for Business is on **Sunday 1 March** at 1pm in the Renfield Centre. We are not able to provide lunch beforehand for those attending so please bring your own.

## **AFTER THE CEILIDH**

**From Derek Read**

I just wanted to say how much I enjoyed taking part in the ceilidh celebration (on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January – our last Sunday in the Meeting House). I thought the whole day was a wonderful evocation of Quaker values of inclusion and community. I was wondering we might consider having some similar events in the future and what other people might think of more regular or irregular gatherings - obviously when we're more settled!!

Feedback to Derek: [derekread20@icloud.com](mailto:derekread20@icloud.com)

## **PEACE BENCH**

The 20 minute Quaker Meeting outside at Glasgow University Peace Bench will continue every Thursday at 12 midday. All welcome.

For further information contact Jenny Copsey: [jennifercopsey@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jennifercopsey@yahoo.co.uk)

## **UPDATES FROM CHILDREN'S MEETING**

Children's meeting for worship will be holding an informal all-age worship on the 8th March in the Grant Room of the Renfield Centre. Adult Friends are invited to join us too. We are currently exploring themes around friendship, connection and gardens, through the book "Seeds of friendship" by Michael Foreman, and plan to develop these over the coming weeks.

In the past, Friends have asked what to expect if they join us in Children's meeting for worship. Our meeting aims to gather gently before holding a period of silent worship together, which can last anywhere between 2 and 20 minutes. We use stories, art and crafts or play to explore our themes. Informal all-age worship (AAW) is more relaxed, more child-led and usually noisier than the ones held in the main meeting but offers an opportunity to explore the different ways that the spirit is at work in our worshipping community.

If anyone would like to join an informal AAW or to find out more, please speak to Kath Allan or Mary Troup.

## **THE QUAKER HEALING GROUP**

The group meets regularly by Zoom from 7.30 - 8.30pm on the first Monday of each month. All welcome.

Further details from Nicola James Maharg: [nicola.james53@gmail.com](mailto:nicola.james53@gmail.com)

We have a core group of regular attenders such as Myfanwy Thomas (in Paris!), Sheila Semple and myself and some who come when they can.

## **MEETING FOR WORSHIP AT FASLANE NAVAL BASE**

Dates for 2026 are 15<sup>th</sup> March, 19<sup>th</sup> April, 17<sup>th</sup> May, 28<sup>th</sup> June, 27<sup>th</sup> September, 8<sup>th</sup> November. Faslane Naval Base houses the Trident Nuclear Submarines. We meet for an hour from 11am outside the North Gate as a witness to peace and against nuclear weapons.

There are some rocks to sit on or you can bring a folding chair. Parking is available outside the Faslane cemetery on the right just past the north gate.

For more information and to share lifts, contact Mary Alice Mansell: [mamansell54@gmail.com](mailto:mamansell54@gmail.com)

## **YOUNG FRIENDS MONDAY NIGHT EPILOGUES**

**From Rosemary Morgan**

Young Friends Epilogue is now meeting on the last Monday of each month at the Unitarians, 72 Berkeley Street from 6pm on for food and then a meeting for worship from 7.30pm to 8pm.

The meeting in March is on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March. All 18 to .35ish young friends are very welcome to come along.

## **CLIMATE CAFÉ**

***Glasgow Quaker Climate Café***

***From Doreen Osborne***

Until we are established in our permanent premises in the Unitarian House, we are keeping in touch via our WhatsApp group. Feel free to post details of upcoming events or reports of what you've been up to there. If you are not on this group, do send your mobile phone number to [climate.cafe@glasgowquakers.org.uk](mailto:climate.cafe@glasgowquakers.org.uk) and we will add you.

## **QUAKER WALKS**

The next walk is on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February around Chatelherault, led by Phillida Ball.

The following date is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March around Cumbrae, led by Martin Mansell.

The date after that has been changed to Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April. Apologies if that is inconvenient for Friends.

If you would like to be added to the new mailing list and for further details, please contact Daphne Wassermann - [daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com](mailto:daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com)

# REGULAR QUAKER MEETINGS

## ***Meeting for Worship***

Sundays at 11am in the Renfield Centre and Wednesdays at 12.30 in the Unitarian House. Addresses are above. Both Meetings are also on Zoom – see below.

## **Zoom**

Meetings continue by Zoom on Sundays at 11am and Wednesdays at 12.30. The links are listed below. Note that there is no Zoom on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday.

*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 room and turn the video off so you aren't distracted by those in the room.*

### **Sundays (except 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays)**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82975187161?pwd=TdNxFMmTcFU9PHsDoc7KxAUGOfg3k7.1>

Meeting ID: 829 7518 7161

Passcode: 394316

### **Wednesdays**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87099013382?pwd=Zp0rbwnJ0VajlrB3rQcYetL2bSDSXZ.1>

Meeting ID: 870 9901 3382

Passcode: 398094

### **5<sup>th</sup> Sundays**

Local Meeting agreed that on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays there will be no blended meeting in Glasgow and Meeting for Worship will be in the Renfield Centre 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=S005RkYkQ0eDUzd3RmNGU4L05hdz09>

Meeting ID: 746 236 5700 Passcode: 086276

## ***Monday Quaker Community***

**Every Monday, 5.15 to 6.00pm**

Join us for a chat and catch up followed by a period of worship.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84307363243?pwd=TIlv0ACzUMRkZpRRc74hFrSk1iZsr1.1>

Meeting ID: 843 0736 3243

Passcode: 471822

To join the mailing list, please contact Sheila Semple at [Sheila.semple@btinternet.com](mailto: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 f/Friends in Stillness.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81510281536?pwd=yZXNDBnRQRtDc2lXzjJtcDIHmFpnmQ.1>

Meeting ID: 815 1028 1536

Passcode: 519226

## ***Deepening Spirituality***

**Early morning meeting at 10am on 1 and 15 March**

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=enZDWS9iRHNHUIlZR2dBb3N2YjBoZz09>

Meeting ID: 761 379 8296

Passcode: EwLWed

## ***Experiment with light***

**Wednesdays 2pm to 4pm**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86119430599?pwd=nZJR58aEOye59nfMNmXbYfLmqFCIfh.1>

Meeting ID: 861 1943 0599

Passcode: 710072

## ***Quakers in Europe Prayer Group***

**Saturdays 08:30 to 9.30 am**

For further information contact Mary Troup, [marytroup2001@gmail.com](mailto:marytroup2001@gmail.com) or 07776146265

## ***Sunday evening online Meeting for Worship***

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.

## OTHER EVENTS

### Songs of hope workshop

Many people are finding these very challenging times, but it is important not to lose hope. Penny Stone, whom many of you will know, is running a Songs of Hope workshop on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 10am to 4pm, with her friend Ryan.

Gorbals Parish Church, 1 Errol Gardens, Gorbals, Glasgow G5 0RA

Penny is a prize winning songwriter and one of the leaders of Protest in Harmony in Edinburgh. A peace activist for many years, she has a special interest in Palestine and has been organising a weekly vigil for Gaza outside St Giles Cathedral since the war began. She cares very deeply, but manages to retain an infectious sense of joy and good humour, which many of us find inspirational.

You don't need to be able to 'sing' to come to the workshop: it is for anyone looking for a ray of light in dark times.

Further information from  
<https://snappytickets.co.uk/event/songs-of-hope-glasgow-with-penny-stone-and-ryan-o-riordan/>

From Hilary Patrick

### Quaker performer in the Glasgow Comedy Festival

I've been attending Central Edinburgh Meeting for many years, and I'm also an environmentalist and a comedy poet and singer-songwriter: this year I'm doing a show in the Glasgow Comedy Festival, at 5pm on Thursday the 12th of March at Committee Room no. 9 on John Street. Any Glasgow Friends who are interested would be very welcome to come along, or to contact me if they would like to know more.

Majk Stokes [majkstokes@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:majkstokes@yahoo.co.uk):

<https://www.glasgowcomedyfestival.com/performances/songs-for-the-2020s/>

## COLLECTIONS

We are grateful to those Friends who have been able to make donations to Glasgow Meeting funds by bank transfer.

They should now be sent to Quakers in Scotland: Cooperative Bank, Sort code: 08-92-99, Account number: 67436963.

Please use GLA followed by your surname and first initial as the reference, and inform Bronwen Currie of any allocation of the funds: [bron.currie@gmail.com](mailto:bron.currie@gmail.com).

The Quakers in Scotland Contribution Schedule will be sent out shortly and contains all the details as well.

Please also change any standing orders from the Glasgow bank account to the Quakers in Scotland bank account, above, so we keep all the contributions and book keeping in one place.

Collections can also be made in person after Meeting for Worship.

## ***Special Collections***

Following the problems in Minneapolis there will be an additional special collection on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March** for **AFSC** (American Friends Service Committee). Nuala will introduce the collection and Helen Minnis will collect donations.

The Special Collection on **29<sup>th</sup> March** is for the **Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP)**, introduced by Martin Mansell.

AVP started over 50 years ago in a US prison when a group of Quakers got together with a group of inmates to look at the problem of violence among prisoners, especially among younger inmates. They devised a series of workshops which are now being used in nearly 50 countries in the world. These workshops help the participants to focus on the underlying causes of their violence, which are often due to the experience of violence at home as well as a lack of trust and communication skills. The workshops are firmly based on Quaker principles in that they focus on recognising the intrinsic value of each person and build trust and empathy and communication skills. We have run workshops in several prisons as well as in the community with participants referred to us by social work and community justice teams.

As a result of the disruption caused by the Covid pandemic we developed online versions of the workshops which have been surprisingly effective. Although they lack the inter-personal contact, they make it much easier to run workshops without the need for travelling or accommodation. However, we still run our face-to-face workshops, mainly in London.

Although all our facilitators are volunteers, it can cost over £1000 to run a workshop ... but if we prevent one person from going to prison for a year that is a saving of over £40,000.

There is more information on the AVP website [www. https://avpbritain.org.uk/](https://avpbritain.org.uk/) where there is a **JustGiving** icon which can be used for donations.

Alternatively, the AVP Bank details are:

S/C: 40-52-40

A/C: 00013670

A/C Name: Alternatives to Violence Project Britain

Please add the reference 'Glasgow Quakers' to any bank transfer.

Martin Mansell

## USEFUL INFORMATION

### ***Generic email addresses***

Clerk@glasgowquakers.org.uk  
Pastoralcare@glasgowquakers.org.uk  
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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  
[Climate.cafe@glasgowquakers.org.uk](mailto:Climate.cafe@glasgowquakers.org.uk)  
Safeguarding@glasgowquakers.org.uk  
Safety@glasgowquakers.org.uk

### ***Committee minutes and documents***

The link is as follows

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1yacRe0kYhXxw7czWwyCJeoecMZFg7VnV>

**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***

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

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

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

There is also a Young Friends WhatsApp group. To join contact Ren Clark: 07837787988

### ***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.

## ***Other newsletters and websites***

Quakers in Scotland (formerly Scotland General Meeting) *Scottish Friend* newsletter is online at

<https://www.quakerscotland.org/qis>

All the Britain Yearly Meeting newsletters can be accessed at

[quaker.org.uk/newsletters](http://quaker.org.uk/newsletters)

Glasgow Local Meeting website is now part of the Quakers in Scotland website.

[www.quakerscotland.org/glasgow](http://www.quakerscotland.org/glasgow)

West Scotland Area Meeting has been laid down but information and newsletters can still be found at

<https://www.quakerscotland.org/west>

## ***Keeping in touch***

If you want to be on the Meeting email distribution list please contact

[mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk](mailto:mailinglist@glasgowquakers.org.uk)

<p>Please send items for April "Elmbank Events" by <b>Thursday 23 April</b> to <b>Daphne Wassermann</b>. 0141 357 0396 <a href="mailto:daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com">daphne@aquarius1000.plus.com</a></p>
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## Glasgow Quaker Meeting Rotas: March 2026

	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>
Clerk (for notices)	Joyce Taylor	Joyce Taylor or Janey Andrews?	Ruth Wilkinson	Martin Mansell	Joyce Taylor
Elders in the Renfield Centre and welcoming after Meeting	Rosemary Morgan and Hilary Patrick (LM Elder Neil McKechnie)	Daphne Wassermann and Linda Cannon	Linda Cannon and David Thomas (A&Q)	Linda Cannon and Sheila Semple	Rosemary Morgan and Neil McKechnie
Zoom host in the Renfield Centre	Daphne Wassermann	Frank Vaughan	David Garfield	Martin Mansell	
Warden	Martin Mansell	Ren Clark	TBC	TBC	TBC
Doorkeeper	Chicory	Diane Scott	Tina Cunningham	Huw	Gwen
Pastoral Care	Mark Coleman	Mary Alice Mansell	Mike Nellis	Mary Cox	David Thomas and Jenny Copsey
Tea/coffee	Anthony and Ethel	Israa	Andrew	Ethel	Diane Scott
Hospitality	Not required				
Children's Meeting lead	Mary Troup	Mary Troup	Mary Troup	Mary Troup	Mary Troup
Children's Meeting helper	Mary Alice Mansell	Ren Clark  (All Age Worship)	Kath Allan	TBC	Paul Lynch

### Wednesday Meetings for Worship

Meetings are held every Wednesday in the Unitarian House and by Zoom.

There is no longer a designated host as this meeting is quite small.

Anyone can join using the link circulated.