

SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

September 2018



MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

Every Sunday, South Edinburgh at 10.30 am at the Open Door, 420 Morningside Road, EH10 5HY, with separate children's meeting.

Central Edinburgh on Sundays holds a small, quiet, shorter meeting at 9.30 am in addition to main meeting at 11.00. Victoria Terrace.

Portobello & Musselburgh 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11am, Fisherrow Centre, South St, Musselburgh EH21 6AT. With children's meeting. Bus stop by Brunton Theatre. Also 1st Sun evening 7.30-8 at Bellfield, 16a Bellfield St.

At Broughton St Mary's: 4th Sunday. 7pm in the Drummond Room at Broughton St Mary's Church, 22 Bellevue Cresc.

Kings Buildings: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 1-1.30. UoE Common Room, Muslim prayer rooms, opp. Weir Building. sarah.martin@ed.ac.uk

More meetings are listed in Sesame, or see quakerscotland.org

SPECIAL COLLECTION

In September is for **Wiston Lodge**. Many of will be there on 1st Sunday; Deirdre Armstrong will speak to this. www.wistonlodge.com

LOCAL QUAKER EVENTS

Our Wiston Weekend is Fri-Sun 7-9 Sep

Scotland General Meeting will be held in Glasgow on Sat 15 Sep. 10.30 for 11; to include reports from Shindig, and in the afternoon welcoming Middle East members of FWCC. This will be followed by a Memorial Meeting for Marion Fairweather organised by Hannah Reade – details p4.

Area Meeting will be held in Penicuik on Sat 22 Sep, 11-4. Tea/coffee from 10.30.

Doors Open Day on **Sun 29 Sep**tincludes Victoria Terrace Meeting House among its many attractions

Meetings for Learning (usually 3rd Sundays after MfW) *return in the Autumn.*

OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

The **Drop-In group** usually meets on 1st Monday afternoons, but is *on vacation until October*.

Rachel Frith offers **Coffee at Rachel's** at 10.15 on Thur 6th and 27th Sep.

Singing group meets at Victoria Terrace on First Tuesdays at 7.30 pm.

Book Group 4th Sundays after lunch at Victoria Terrace. September: Dostoevsky's *The Idiot*. Rachel Frith.





Venues: a spiegeltent and McEwan Hall

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MORE NEWS AND DATES

Victoria Terrace meeting house is participating again in **Open Doors Day**, **Sun 29 Sep**. There will be lots of other exciting buildings to see then too: http://cockburnassociation.org.uk/edinburgh-doors-open-day — click on 'What to do in Edinburgh' for a tempting checklist of 86 buildings that have participated in the past.

Celebrating Marion Fairweather Hannah Reade is organising a memorial meeting for worship for our friend Marion Fairweather. Glasgow Quaker meeting house on Sat 15 Sep after GM. 6.10 pm or earlier for 6.20, followed by bring and share supper. If you can come Hannah would love to know hannahreade@gmail.com or 07846663438.

Faith in Older People Growing Older Gracefully into Spiritual Elderhood – from Faith in Older People www.faithinolderpeople.org.uk. Thur 11 Oct 10 am – 4 pm at St John's Church, Lothian Rd / Princes St. Max 12 participants. £40.00 (some concessionary places), lunch provided. Apply to director@fiop.org.uk

Questionably quakerly online



If you've enjoyed recordings of Quaker meetings, have you tried **ASMR**? Either puzzlingly soothing, or strangely disturbing soft voices, slow movements, the rustle of paper ...

Taster: Tingting's *Chinese herbal shop role play* https://youtu.be/5HJn2130j_Y (1.2M views; 343,000 followers). For much, much more, just type ASMR into YouTube. Accidentally ASMR?: Bob Ross painting lessons: this one has 8.9M views https://youtu.be/ILWEXRAnQd0

Antidote: The most disturbing ASMR video https://youtu.be/ycgSzc4Grdo (4.2M views). Caution: contains relaxing scenes of threat and simulated violence. Also bad words.

Quaker relevance: guidance needed on this one

Definitely Quakerly online

Quakers and God Quakers' range of views on this have made the national press several times recently. Seven 200-word reflections on what God means on the BYM website make good reading. When I was younger, I used to worry a lot about God – I don't have any great faith or belief in God – Other people's ideas got in the way. http://bit.ly/2PDgY6v

Quaker relevance 100% (yes again)



Copernicus' revolutionary hypothesis that Earth and other planets revolved around the sun was published in 1543. Predictably controversial, but only slowly so (he has a long Wikipedia entry with 2,600 views/day);. This is from Edinburgh University's copy of his book, currently included in a free exhibition just inside the door of the library in George Square.

A Palinode!

When I was a student of English lit, I believed the medics knew nary a bit, About metre or sonnets or Will Shakespeare, And only thought about bodies and beer.

But now that theory I must explode, For Neil has asked for a palinode.

Catriona Courtier

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