

Friday with Friends

A Newsletter of Klamath Falls Friends Church

1918 Oregon Ave

Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601

Friday September 20, 2024

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85381127592?pwd=Z01JTTFXNVdzeTZqTUpwS1dmSFVxZz09>

P&SC Meeting has agreed to mention some action/ information from larger Quaker organizations during announcements .

Please go to this link to sign up for emails and text messages on what is going on with American Friends Service Committee

<https://afsc.org/subscribe>

Monthly Meeting for Business September 29 after meeting for worship

Business meetings are for all to participate in the life of the meeting, build community, serve others, worship together, to discern all major decisions of the meeting with the prayerful help of each other in a spirit of worship and to arrive at a clear sense of the meeting.

**Mom's Rising
Post Card addressing
After meeting for worship
October 6, 2024**

The Pantry Cleaning “Party”

October 7

beginning at 10 AM

Bring a sack lunch.

Potluck Luncheon

After meeting for worship

October 13, 2024

Pantry Open House

October 18, 2024

5:30 @ 1175 Crescent Ave.

Circle of Friends

“What does membership at this church mean to you?”

October 20, 2024

After meeting for worship

Coming up soon! Join your Friends from Sierra-Cascades Yearly Meeting of Friends at the Fall Quarterly Gathering on Saturday, October 5. We will meet in-person at Eugene Friends Church, and also on Zoom.

There will be a program for kids during the day (except for lunchtime) with crafts and Quaker stories.

On Friday evening the youth will host a multi-generational game night at Eugene Friends. If you plan to attend, notify the registrar and fill out this Registry Form Link:

<https://forms.gle/44aRo7DyaK2848KZ9>

Schedule for Saturday, October 5:

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| 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. | Workshops (four different workshops to choose from!) |
| 10:30 to 10:45 a.m. | Break |
| 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. | Worship and music led by Neil Isaacson, Eugene Friends |
| 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. | Business session |
| 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. | Lunch and book signing with Sarah Katreen Hoggatt |
| 1:30 to 5:00 p.m. | Business session |

Pre-registration is required. Please send the following information to registrar@scymf.org or reply to this email

- Name(s) of those attending**
- Church or meeting affiliation**
- Age(s) if under 18**
- Are you attending in-person or on Zoom**
- Which workshop would you like to attend (you can change your mind, but this will help us plan).**

Here are the workshop descriptions:

1. *The FWCC World Plenary: Living the Spirit of Ubuntu*

This workshop will share about Gil George's experience with the FWCC World Plenary and host a discussion of the results of the Plenary held in South Africa in August. Gil George will relay the experience and provide a space to discuss the three thematic streams of Creation Care, Healing Historic and Current Injustices, and Living the Spirit of Ubuntu; and how these streams intersect to map the future of FWCC.

Gil George is the Operations Manager for FWCC Section of the Americas.-

2. *Foot-washing Fun with Derek* (in-person only)

To wash another person's feet, as Jesus did, and to allow another person to wash our own is to practice deep humility and can be powerfully transformative. This workshop is focused on facilitating a Christ-centered worship experience. In-person only. Dress appropriately.

Derek Lamson has been a worship leader and SCYMF activist since 2017, and currently serves on Faith and Practice Committee.

3. *Jesus, the Roman Empire, and the State of Israel*

This workshop will explore: (1) Jesus' harsh warning in Luke 13:1-5 when he was told about Rome's massacre of Jews in worship, "Unless you repent, you too will perish"; (2) the current situation in Palestine and Israel; and (3) if Jesus is still relevant, what might repentance look like for those who witness Israeli atrocities today?

Paul Parker is a professor emeritus of Elmhurst University where he taught in religious studies for 32 years. He has worked, studied, and volunteered in Palestine and Israel frequently since 2004, most recently as the principal of Ramallah Friends School's high school for the last two years.

4. *Let's Talk About Death and Dying* (no, really!)

Baltimore Yearly Meeting has just published an important book (with a little help from a couple of SCYMF folks): "A Tender Time: Quaker Voices on the End of Life." Includes chapters on aging well, end-of-life planning, and how friends, caregivers, and meetings can respond, and lots of resources. This workshop will introduce the book and its benefits and encourage local

meetings to explore it together. The book is available through Barclay Press prior to the workshop.

Laura Simmons spent two years as a hospice chaplain and has lost both her parents; she wishes others were more prepared for this eventuality.

Intergenerational Game Night

Friday, October 4th beginning at 5:30 and running until approximately 9:30 will be the Intergenerational game night. All ages are invited to play games: board games as well as Dungeons and Dragons. Feel free to bring your favorite board game. The youth will be spending the night at Eugene Friends with Chaperones, Dave Cundiff and Willow Merrick. Bring snacks to share. Those who are spending the night should bring a sleeping bag, pillow and a change of clothing if desired. Please fill out the google form above and notify the registrar if you wish to attend.

Eugene Friends is located at 3495 W. 18th Avenue. Eugene, OR 97402.ierr

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Minutes

Klamath Interfaith Food Pantry

Board Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2024

Attending: Alicia and Brion Pinkerton, Lee and Dan Curran, Phyllis Olson, Mary Prange, Leigh Tolton, Jay Wang, Lou Schneider, Linda Warner

1. The minutes from the August 13 board meeting were approved as written.

2. The cleaning “party” has been scheduled for October 7, beginning at 10, Bring a sack lunch. We’d like this information added to each church/fellowship/bulletin/newsletter/announcements

3. The Open House is on Friday, October 18, from 5:30 until 7 pm. Phyllis will prepare coffee, ice tea water and a relish plate. Lee is getting a cake. Requests will be made for other finger foods. Linda will create an invitation and run it by board members before she sends it out. We’ll put out a donation box and a way for people to sign up to volunteer.

4. Thanksgiving Meal Box plans were discussed:

a. Forms requesting a meal box will be given to clients at both September pantries. Linda will compile those and fill out forms for those volunteers to “adopt a family” and prepare a meal box.

b. The donors will return their forms to respective board members and begin gathering

Thanksgiving food items for their families. Food boxes will be delivered to the pantry on

November 15, from noon until 4 pm.

c. Boxes will be stored and covered in cabinets in the intake waiting room and distributed to clients at the November 19 th pantry. Remaining boxes may also be distributed on Nov 26 th .

5. New and used (laundered) blankets and sleeping bags will be collected at Interfaith Churches/Fellowships, brought to the pantry by board volunteers, and be distributed to those in need

during December and January. Wanda Young is taking donations of yarn to knit/crochet blankets for the drive. Please bring yarn to Klamath Lutheran Church. Linda will contact Running Y to see if they have used blankets they would be willing to donate.

6. KUHS Key Club and DECA members may be interested in pantry carryout. Alicia will contact Henley Key Club to see if they are interested in helping again this year.

7. Lee has raised \$825.32 from her jewelry sales and is selling again on September 14. All proceeds will be donated to the Food Bank and be designated from Interfaith Food Pantry. Food Bank director Lori Garrard will present KIFP with a special thank-you check at our Open House.

8. We don't have a source for donated potatoes this year, though it was suggested that if anyone is buying potatoes from Friends of the Children that they buy two boxes and give one to our food pantry.

9. Linda received 11 out of 45 responses to the December pantry date change survey. December 10 and 17 and December 23 and 30 received an equal number votes. The board broke the tie and voted December 10 and 17 as pantry nights. Linda will post signs and notify the Food Bank.

10. Mary and Phyllis will be purchasing margarine, bread, and cheese to supplement Food Bank food. Eggs are too expensive at this time to purchase them.

11. Pastor Lou Schneider asked that we either open or close the board meeting with a prayer. There were no objections. He closed with a prayer.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 15 at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Warner

Klamath Interfaith Board Chair

Peace and Social Concerns Minutes for September 15, 2024

Xeriscaping Peace Supper

- **21 attendees**
- **About half were from outside of the church**
- **Great fellowship was had by those who attended**
- **Most reported that they heard about it from friends**
- **Question and answer style**
- **Idea for the Peace Supper started when Kate introduced Leigh to Nicole Sanchez**
- **Advertisements resulted in people contacting Leigh with questions about the church: Where are you? What do you believe? How long have you been here?**
- **Kate will send a thank you card to Nicole. Everyone will sign it.**
- **Oregon State University Extension office rules limit the amount that we can give to Nicole for speaking to us. We will donate \$35 to the Extension office with the money designated for the turf replacement project.**
- **Joe will contact Margo about the check for the Extension office**

Moms rising. Moms vote.

- **2 weeks ago postcards were in the mail, but still not received yet**
- **Remember to vote postcards**
- **If the postcards are not received by the end of September, then Jeanette will let us know**

- **October 6th we will set up tables for people to write the postcards after church**

Landfill

- **The landfill is a dead deal according to Don't Dump on Klamath Facebook page**
- **Jensen has not gotten permits to present to the Planning Commission**
- **County Commission is having waste problems and needs a new facility**
 - o **Should we lobby for specific solutions: compost, recycling**
- **Deschutes Landfill almost full**

Nursing student foot care project

- **Kate and Leigh were at meeting**
- **Some participants in the program after foot care and health assessments need to go to the hospital. Bus tokens would be helpful.**
- **Kate will research bus token needs**

Banner

- **Same font for whole banner**
- **Same size**
- **All one color text**
- **1 John 4:18a There is no fear in love**
- **Background: keep light blue**
- **Drop color strip from the bottom**
- **Material needs to be durable to be kept outside long-term**
- **Staples was used to print the old banner**

Movie night for Pride

- **“Word is Out” (1977), 2 hours 13 minutes**
- **About people growing up gay in 1960s and 1970s**
- **Possible showing in June**

T-shirt

- **For around town**
- **For wearing to protests**
- **Trekker Designs offers custom t-shirts for \$18**
- **Klamath Falls Friends/a Quaker church with logo on the front**
- **SPICES on the back**
- **Beige background**

Action/Peace and Social Concerns to be discussed each week

- **Joe will send draft to Peace and Social Concerns committee**

National & international action items

- **One item will be brought to worship each week**
- **Ideas include focus on Sudan, Palestine/Israel, farm bill**
- **Kate will generate list and bring topic weekly from now through next Peace and Social Concerns meeting in October**

Homework

- **Think about budget needs for next year**

Leadings

Examples of leadings through the years gathered by the Quakers in Britain

<https://qfp.quaker.org.uk/chapter/29/>

A good video that talks about “leadings” and what Quakers believe.

<https://quakerspeak.com/video/how-to-listen-for-a-leading/>