



CORVALLIS FRIENDS MEETING

SEPTEMBER 2019

☞ **ALL ARE WELCOME** ☜

Sunday Worship: 10 – 11 am

Wednesday Evening Worship: 7 – 7:45 pm

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North Pacific Yearly Meeting:

www.nypm.org

THIS MONTH'S CALENDAR

SUN
9-1

10:00 am Meeting for Worship
11:30 am **Threshing on the proposed resolution on Bias in Corvallis**

SUN
9-8

10:00 am Meeting for Worship
11:40 am **Meeting for Business**

THU
9-12

Stone Soup (2nd Thursdays @ St. Mary's)
1-4 Prep/Cook: contact barb@barbaralevine.com
5-7 Serve/Clean: contact rachel.peck1@gmail.com

SUN
9-15

10:00 am Meeting for Worship
11:30 am **Program by Children's Program**

SUN
9-22

10:00 am Meeting for Worship
11:30 am **Potluck**

SUN
9-29

10:00 am Meeting for Worship
11:30 am **Laurie Childers' short video "Aleluya Cuba (work work work)"**
interviewing Cuban artists exploring the questions, why do you make art? What is the experience like for you? and soliciting responses to José Martí's quote, "Art is the [physical] form of the divine." She'll invite everyone to share what the creative process is like for them, and how it speaks to our spiritual nature and contributes to our shared culture.

This newsletter comes out on the first Sunday of the month, and by e-mail a few days earlier. Submissions and delivery requests go to Lisa Yagoda, editor: corvallisfriends@gmail.com. Next deadline: Saturday July 27, 2019.

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Advices and Queries on Harmony with Creation

Rejoice in the majesty of nature. Pray that the Presence will lead us to our rightful place in the creation.

We are each part of the intricate web of life; each choice to act or not to act can have profound consequences. We live in such a complex world that we can do considerable damage without knowing it. Choices that are beneficial in one direction may be harmful in another.

We take care to conserve and protect the whole of life. Both scientific inquiry and spiritual reflection lead us to deeper understanding of the interconnected, constantly changing systems in which we live.

The essence of the Divine Light can be found in our connection to the natural world. Our collective experience of this deep interconnectedness with all nature helps us understand the connection between ecological and cultural diversity, know the Earth as teacher, and value inspiration from a range of faith traditions.

We face the difficult challenge to change our manner of living to come into harmony with creation. As we support each other's efforts to use no more than our fair share, we guard against waste and resist the temptations of convenience and the inertia of the status quo. We help each other look for ways to counter attitudes of human arrogance, domination, and greed which threaten Earth's equilibrium.

- In what ways do we seek harmony with Creation? How does science help us live within It respectfully?
- In what ways do we honor all living things? Do we seek the holiness inherent in the order of nature, the wildness of wilderness, and the richness of the world?
- How do our daily habits and choices reflect our respect for the web of life?
- What will the impact of our current choices be on the lives of future generations?
- How do we educate ourselves and others about living in harmony with the earth?
- What can we do to make the community of life whole?.

~ North Pacific Yearly Meeting, *Faith and Practice*, 2017

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