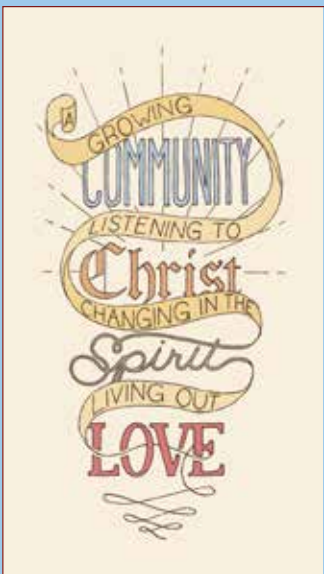


Your NFC

a weekly newsletter for the
people of the
Newberg Friends Church
community

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Living Out Love Locally ▶ Globally

by Howard Macy



My friends may have hoped to protect me from mischief and boredom when I retired from teaching at George Fox University, where I was rarely bored. So they invited me to edit the journal *Quaker Religious Thought* (QRT). I suppose they also knew that my students sometimes resented my keen eye for Miss Spellings and other mistakes. But probably they remembered that I had been involved with the journal and with the Quaker Theological Discussion Group (QTDG) for more than forty years and that I had helped with editing before.

As editor, I gather and organize the papers that contributors have presented at the annual meetings of the discussion group. When papers or authors go into hiding, this gathering work can get tedious, but it's always rewarding to read and edit the interesting essays that contributors offer. The stated purpose of the QTDG is "to explore the meaning and implications of our Quaker faith and religious experience through discussion and publication." First published in 1959 and now twice a year, QRT explores topics in theology, pressing contemporary issues, questions of Quaker practice, reviews of significant new books, and much more. Readers can find a complete list of issues and topics at the [QTDG website](#).

Because we want to deepen our understanding and refine our thinking, the papers and conversations at the QTDG include all sorts of Quaker thinkers and even folks who view Friends from the outside. It's delightful to do this in person, of course, but the journal invites those who can't attend the conversation. This enriches both local Friends and our wider Friends community. Newberg folks will know Arthur Roberts and Paul Anderson, both of whom have edited and contributed to QRT, and others here who have written for the journal. (NFCer Michael Comfort, with Allegra, has been doing a fabulous job with the graphic design. And Phil Smith is super at handling subscriptions and distribution.) But the journal also makes it possible to enjoy pieces by leading thinkers T. Canby Jones, Wilmer Cooper, Dean Freiday, Hugh Barbour, Carole Dale Spencer, David Johns, and many others.

Now people around the world can access this treasure of Quaker thinking. George Fox University has graciously included the whole QRT archive in its "digital commons." (See <http://digitalcommons.georgefox.edu/qrt/>. Newer issues will be added on a timely, but delayed, schedule.) So readers in Europe, Russia, Africa, Asia, South America, even remote corners of North America, can now search over the internet for QRT articles by topic and author, and they can read online or download the pdf-formatted articles to use as they need. Even before we announced this new feature, we had hundreds of "hits" from around the world.

So I'm not bored. Instead, I'm glad to help share this good conversation with Friends across North America and around the world. And I think I still have some time left for mischief.



Adult and youth volunteers needed for the nursery during the service at Bauman on November 22. Nursery volunteers will begin at 10:30 a.m. in Ross Room 141. Please contact [Michelle Akins](#) if you are able to help.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT BAUMAN AUDITORIUM

NOVEMBER 22

10 AM—COMMUNITY TIME

COFFEE, DONUTS, FRESH-PRESSED APPLE CIDER
BAKE SALE (TO BENEFIT THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING)
CREATIVE FAIR

BRING OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES!

10:45AM—WORSHIP

Thanksgiving Offering

“The Fr...ds Engl...h Cafe in Ram...h had our name on it before we arrived. We got to know and love being part of it and now run it, hosting Fr...ds’ deepening involvement and a forum for ongoing learning, service, and growth. So we offer it to you as the **Thanksgiving Offering**. With your help we will expand the programming we provide, find a more suitable location, and increase access for women. There is much to do and an open door before us. Will you join us? All gifts are precious.” (El...abethT...d)

Northwest Yearly Meeting has sent Friends to live and love and serve in Ram...h since 1869.

(We can’t safely share information in this newsletter. So we invite you to stop by the welcome center on Sunday and pick up a printed flyer that fully describes this year’s Thanksgiving Offering and how to participate.)

Needlework Ministry

Last Sunday we mentioned the needlework ministry at NFC. This group is an informal gathering of women that meets Mondays at 1 p.m. in the home of Ann Howe. You are welcome to contact [Ann](#) or fellow knitter [Margene Haworth](#) to find out more information. However, if you aren’t able to meet on Mondays, that is OK! If you have a heart (and a talent) for creating prayer shawls or blankets, we would be so glad to receive your contributions. A basket of prayer shawls and blankets is kept in the NFC office. You’re welcome to drop off your labor of love at any time. If you’d like to take a prayer shawl or blanket to a friend, please come into the office and we’ll be happy to help you.



READ AHEAD FOR SUNDAY

James 5



Pastoral Team

Michelle Akins

children and family ministries

Steve Fawver

spiritual health and care

Cindy Johnson

seniors ministries

Gregg Koskela

lead pastor

Eric Muhr

youth ministries

Elizabeth Sherwood

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all publications items
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What's Ahead

SUNDAY

9am | Sunday school for children and adults — for times and classroom information, find "Educational Opportunities" at each entrance, each "Info Center," at the welcome center, or ask a greeter to help you.

9am | worship gathering

9am | unprogrammed worship | Barclay C

9am | college/young adult gathering | Room 232

10-10:45am | Community Time | in the social hall and library

10:15-10:45am | library staffed

10:30am | Agape Sunday school class | Barclay B

10:45am | worship gathering

1:30pm | Bible Quiz practice | Friends Center Room 100

Monday, November 16

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Wednesday, November 18

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Julia Pearson WMF | 1:30pm | Friendsview classroom | this month features Eloise Hockett, Musembe Primary School

Middle school youth group | 6pm | Friends Center

Listening Life group — James | 6:45pm | Barclay A/B

WBFpm | 7pm | Barclay C

High school youth group | 7:30pm | Friends Center

Thursday, November 19

Women's Bible Fellowship | 8:45am | social hall

Friday, November 20

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Saturday, November 21

Men's prayer meeting | 8am | Friendsview Creekside, 2nd floor, TV room

Sunday, November 22

Read ahead: James 5:13-16

Thanksgiving combined worship service at Bauman Auditorium | Community Time @10am; Worship @10:45am

Plan Ahead

November 23 | Margaret Fell WMF | 7pm | Spaulding Oaks Community Center | featuring Dennis Littlefield, Tilikum

November 26-27 | NFC office closed for Thanksgiving holiday

November 28 | Young Friends Singers rehearsal | 10am | Room 246

December 6, 13, 20 | 2016 directory photo opportunity

December 6 | Taize gathering | 6pm | NFC sanctuary

December 7 | JOY breakfast | 8am | Friendsview Hess Creek dining room | \$4 | for seniors 55 and older

December 14 | Margaret Fell WMF | 7pm | NFC social hall (note changed in location) | featuring Anna Thomas, Kara Maurer — Christmas in Russia

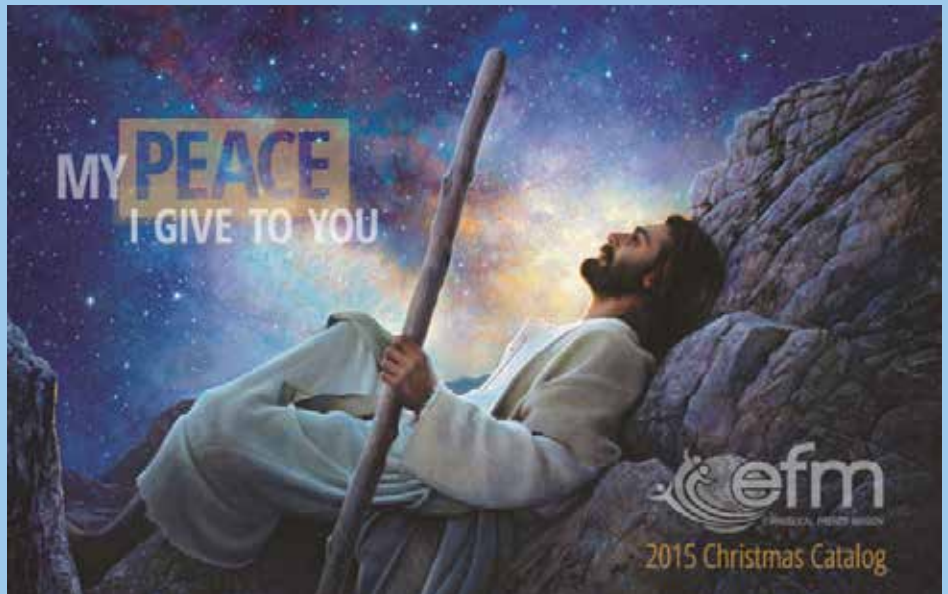
December 18 | Eclectic Christmas at NFC

NFC's Calendar on the Web!



**Newberg
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**CREATIVE
FAIR**



**Go directly to EFM's Christmas catalog
by clicking on the image above.**

**Bauman Auditorium
Lobby
Sunday, November 22
10-10:45 a.m.**

Come share your creative side. Whatever God has gifted you to create, we want to see it! This is an event for all ages. If you'd like to have a space to display your creation(s) as a part of our Thanksgiving service community time, please contact Michelle Akins by November 20 so we can have enough table space for you. Send a description of your item(s) and a sentence or two about why you like to create in this way.

Contact:
michelle@newbergfriends.org

Bake Sale



Bake Sale benefits our Thanksgiving Offering, and really there are no "rules" for what you can or can't make. Please price your own baked goods. We love everything: brownies, pies, cakes, cookies, breads, etc.

Need Sheet

Needed:

- Chehalis Youth and Family Services (CYFS) is looking for a career development specialist in Newberg and/or McMinnville. For more information about our agency please view the following video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyVE_mzKis. For more information about the position, please visit our website for this and other employment opportunities: <http://www.cyfs.net/newbergemployment>.

Available:

- Free—We have a twin bed with mattress and box springs we can't use. Contact Susan Hampton at 503-538-5962 if you need one.
- Artisan Faire to benefit West Hills Friends medical mission team to Santa Cruz and Bolivia. November 21, 11a–4:30p, and November 22, 11:15a – 1:15p. Handmade gifts, fair trade items, bake sale. 7425 SW 52nd St, Portland.

For Sale:

- Fundraiser—Fresh, local English walnuts available! My son, Kyle, is fundraising to help get him to Boy Scout Jamboree. We have lots of wonderful nuts for your holiday baking and gift-giving needs. They are \$12/lb (quart-size bag). Call Brenda at 503-538-0735.
- 19-in flat screen TV and TV ears. Like new. \$75. Call Marvin Hampton at 503-538-3578.
- \$80 worth of Magnetics (kids love them!) for \$25. Also large hanging rack on wheels--in perfect condition (new \$89) will sell for \$25. Call 503-538-4318.

To place a one-time free ad— • e-mail: sherry@newbergfriends.org

- mail: NFC, P.O. Box 487, attn. Sherry

- bring a written ad to the NFC office at 600 E. 3rd Street

deadline: December 9 • no phone-in ads; please resubmit repeated ads
online at newbergfriends.org/resources/need-sheet/



Let's Go Shopping!—Debbie Doolin will have an Operation Christmas Child "store" ready for you on Sunday morning in the social hall. If you are looking for items to put in an OCC shoebox this year, this is a great, easy way to find low-price items to fill your boxes. Also, Duduza dolls, packing ideas, and shoebox labels are free and available at several locations around the church: social hall, library, and welcome center. Remember to bring your packed boxes to the Thanksgiving service at Bauman on November 22 or drop it off at the church office before November 20.

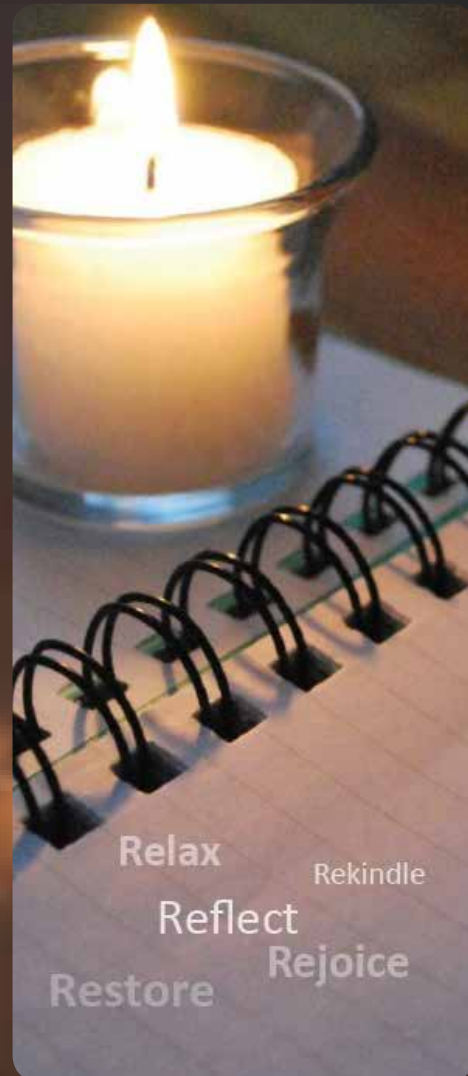
Sabbath ^{by} the Sea

I want to personally invite each of you to consider taking some time to come away and be with Christ this coming January. I have the opportunity to work with an exceptional group of people (including many NFCers) as we lead week-long and half-week retreats at Twin Rocks Harbor Villa on the beach in Rockaway, Oregon. Sabbath by the Sea is spacious, restful, and open for you to be with God. Bracketed by simple morning and evening prayers, the schedule leaves you free to explore, walk on the beach, nap by a fire, read, eat scrumptious food, and spend time with Jesus. Groups are limited to 12 participants.

Not everyone can get away for a whole week, so we offer opportunities to come from Monday to Thursday or from Thursday to Sunday. Those who work during the week can take one day off on Friday and still have a good chunk of time to pray and listen to God. I invite those who have attended a January retreat in the past to consider going again and taking someone with you who might need time and space in life right now.

Visit the website or give us a call! We will send you a brochure. The table is always set and Christ invites us to come away to listen, rest, and abide with him.

—**Steve Fawver**, pastor of spiritual health and care
503-538-8381



Daily schedule:

- 7:45- Pre-breakfast scripture & prayer
- 8:30- Breakfast
- 9:30- Morning gathering
- 10:15- Personal time
- 12:30- Lunch
- 1:30- Personal time
- 4:00- Optional spiritual direction
- 5:30- Dinner
- 6:45- Worship, highlights, and prayer
- 8:00- Sleep, play, relax, read...

Leaders:

- December 31-January 3 – Susan and Gary Fawver
 - January 4-10 – Steve Fawver, Martha Wood
 - January 11-17 – Bethany Lee, Paul Bock
 - January 18-24 – Hank and Jo Helsabeck
 - January 25-29 – Bruce and Di Murphy
 - March 17-20 – Susan and Gary Fawver
- Worship singing will be led each week by Mauri Macy or Nate Macy*