

20210418_Flushing Monthly Meeting

Flushing Monthly Meeting continues to meet on Zoom. It is regularly attended by between 10 and 24 people including a break-out room for First Day School the first two First Days of each month. When we might first meet in person will be discussed in Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business in May.

One meeting of a clearness committee for the wedding ceremony and marriage of Chase Baldwin and Daniella Salazar has been joyfully completed and we look forward to at least one more to be held on our grounds with masks and social distance, in May or June.

A 3 year Committee to examine the long term spiritual vitality of Flushing Meeting is being formed. The process is slow and exhibits some of the same stressors in our community that encouraged us to form the committee. We will discuss or have presentations on estate planning, fund raising, expanding membership, and engaging within our broader Flushing Community. Other topics will be discussed.

We lost a long term and loving member of our community last spring, Joan Kindler. Her family has made a gift in her memory to complete an ADA compliant bathroom and rose garden and we are deeply grateful and doing all due diligence to accomplish this in a timely manner. A family member joined us in worship recently and contributed to a poignant and gathered meeting that included many tributes to Joan.

Several members of FMM are contributing time and resources to help stand up a meeting in Bethpage, Long Island. This effort is led by Jay Singh, a Jericho Meeting attender and Bethpage worship has been attended by members of FMM, the Quarter, and NYYM. It is an ongoing and very moving exercise in solidarity and spiritual community.

Respectfully,

Jeffrey Guyton, clerk FMM