

## ***Second Hour Programs***

### **July 2<sup>nd</sup> Potluck**

A potluck with a special July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration invitation to our friends from Cameroon.

### **July 9<sup>th</sup> India**

Led by Betty Blanch.

### **July 16<sup>th</sup> Divinity of the Soil**

Inspired by *Earthcare for Friends* —a worship sharing led by Richard Phillips. (Worship sharing is a themed worship led by an individual and often centering on a query or queries.)

### **July 23<sup>rd</sup> Quaker Basics: part 2**

The process of *Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business*. Led by Deirdre Phillips.

### **July 30<sup>th</sup> Fifth Sunday Potluck**

A time to informally socialize. A great time for visitors to find out about us.

### **August 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business**

The Quaker process in action. A spirited business meeting. All are welcome.

## ***Summer Apples***

I planted an apple tree in memory  
of my mother, who is not gone,

but whose memory has become  
so transparent that she remembers

slicing apples with her grandmother  
(*yellow apples; blue bowl*) better than

the fruit that I hand her today. Still,  
she polishes the surface with her thumb,

holds it to the light and says with no  
hesitation, *Oh, Yellow Transparent . . .*

*they're so fragile, you can almost see  
to the core.* She no longer remembers how

to roll the crust, sweeten the sauce, but  
her desire is clear—it is pie that she wants.

And so, I slice as close as I dare to the core—  
to that little cathedral to memory—where

the seeds remember everything they need  
to know to become yellow and transparent.

— Cathryn Essinger



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## **July 2017**

Meeting for Worship is on Sundays. It begins with worshipful singing and sharing at 9:30 a.m. followed by one hour of silent/waiting worship which starts at 9:45 a.m.

After worship on most Sundays there is a break for fellowship with coffee, tea, and snacks, which is then followed, at about 11:15 a.m., by an enlightening and enjoyable, "second hour" program.

**Visitors and enquirers are always  
very welcome.**

The Spring Book Study has begun. It is modular in nature so you are welcome to **jump in** if you missed the first session. The next session will be Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the home of LaDeana Mullinix & Karen Takemoto in Farmington. The text is *"Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants"* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Karen will be leading a discussion of the following chapters: *Learning the Grammar of Animacy* (pg. 48) *Allegiance to Gratitude* (pg. 105) *The Three Sisters* (pg.128)  
*Note: not consecutive chapters.*

If you are led to **present a second hour program** for the Education slot (second and fourth Sundays) please let the *Religious Education Committee* know! If you are led to present a Worship Sharing on a third Sunday then let *Ministry and Oversight Committee* know.

Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 p.m.— fireworks at the Farmington home of Karen Takemoto & LaDeana Mullinix. Light dessert (ice cream & watermelon?) will be provided by Karen & LaDeana, and then a stroll to the **fireworks** display by Farmington City, at the nearby school football field, which begins at dark (around 9:00p.m.)

It is hoped that our meeting can organize a **regular vigil** with the intention of addressing concerns around "soothing the soul of the nation". If you are interested in joining this or have particular ideas of how this might be achieved please contact Mary Elsie Marchant.

Our Meeting is funded through your generous support. Please send your **donations** to our Treasurer, Richard Phillips, or put them in the wooden Friends donations box at Meeting. Make checks payable to "*Fayetteville Friends Meeting*". You may also pay by automated debit – ask Richard for details.

Visitors are always welcome to attend our second hour programs. Our meeting takes a short coffee break after *Meeting for Worship* before recommencing with the second hour at about 11:15a.m. It usually lasts until about 12:15p.m. to 12:30p.m. If you cannot stay for the whole program you are encouraged to **stay for as long as you are able** – our presenters will not be offended if you have to leave early. Our second hours are a great way to learn more of what we are about.

Until the completion of South Central Yearly Meeting's *Faith and Practice* we follow the guidance of Pacific Yearly Meeting's version. It is available online here:

<http://tinyurl.com/faithandpractice>

Friends General Council **Gathering** will take place Niagara University, New York, July 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Theme: "Ripples start where spirit moves"  
<https://www.fgcquaker.org/connect/gathering>