



First Friends Meeting

January 29, 2012



*Flowers today are given by Joe Allred, Sr.,  
Joe Allred, Jr., & David Allred  
In Memory of D.E. & Epsie  
(Joe Sr.'s parents / Joe Jr. & David's grandparents)  
who raised five children in the First Friends Community*

Joining Sheila and Deborah on the facing bench today is **Jack Kirk**. Jack, a member of Ministry & Counsel, is enthusiastically serving on Sheila's ministry support team during our upcoming sabbatical adventure. Jack recently joined the world of Facebook, and now can keep current with all the happenings of his beloved Phillies.

**Gentle Reminders:** Please remember to silence your cell phones and pagers. When using the microphone, please hold it one to two inches from your mouth.

**Parents, please note:** There are activity packets for your children outside the entrance to the right of the pulpit.

**TODAY:**

9am- Unprogrammed Worship  
10am- Sunday School for all ages  
11am- Deborah Suess speaking  
12:15pm- 5th Sunday Carry-In Lunch

**UPCOMING:**

Monday, Jan. 30, 6pm- Stewardship Committee  
Tuesday, Jan. 31, 10am- Generous Friends  
Tuesday, Jan. 31, 7:40pm- Choir Practice  
Wednesday, Feb. 1, 7pm- Monthly Meeting for Business  
Saturday, Feb. 4, 9am-4pm- Retreat with Trisha Taylor  
at High Point Friends

**UPCOMING MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP:**

**Sunday, February 5**

10am- Forum in Fellowship Hall with Trisha Taylor  
11am- Message speaker: Trisha Taylor  
Sabbatical Send-off for Tim Jackson & Deborah Suess  
Commissioning for Sheila Hoyer, Evelyn Jadin,  
& Lisa Moran  
12pm- Q&A (30 minutes) with Trisha Taylor at the rise of worship  
in Meetingroom- childcare available with Renee & Karyle

## FIRST FRIENDS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Fifth Sunday Carry-in Lunch-** Join us today at the rise of meeting for potluck lunch and fellowship.

### 10am Sunday School:

- Bible study with Bill & Dawn Davis - Room 2
- Next week, Jennie Hunt leads "A Joyful Path", for ages 5-10 in Room 108
- Peace and Social Concerns Committee will offer a new class starting Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>. We invite folks to bring a current event or two that they want to discuss and discern with Friends. There will be a facilitator for each session for 4 weeks. This class will be in room 8 downstairs. More details TBA

**Food Pantry** is in need of many staple items! Please consider picking up peanut butter, grape jelly, tuna, salmon or other canned meat, or hot/cold cereals. Want other ideas of how to contribute? Contact Jim Kimel or Sheila Hoyer.

**Chocolate Amaretto pecans for your Sweetie-** USFW will sell chocolate amaretto pecans in 4oz Valentine bags for \$3 each at Fifth Sunday lunch today.

**Monthly Meeting for Business is Wednesday, Feb. 1, 7pm** in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. \*\*\*Please have all reports to Renee by tomorrow, Jan. 30.

**Who is Trisha Taylor?** Trisha will be with us next weekend as part of Lilly funded Pastoral Renewal Grant. Trisha Taylor is a counselor, author, consultant and speaker based in Austin, TX. She is co-author of *The Leader's Journey: Accepting the Call to Personal and Congregational Transformation*, which challenges leaders to see their congregations as living systems and to respond to leadership challenges with emotional maturity, leading as Jesus did, from the inside out. She seeks to help individuals and teams find a new way of thinking and leading in the contemporary church.

**Friendly & Free Coffee** will be offered to the first couple of hundred drivers who stop by our lower parking lot **tomorrow** starting at 7am. Quaker Quest task force is sponsoring this to see if such an outreach helps people notice First Friends Meetinghouse, while giving drivers a chance to briefly meet a real live Quaker! Questions? See Jim Kimel, Jacynthia Mitchell, Jean Christy, Lawrence Ross, or Ian Joyce.

Please pick up a "**First Friends Sabbatical Field Guide**" to describe when, what, & who is involved in making this February - May, 2012 experience a joy and blessing for both First Friends Meeting and our staff. Also feel free to contact any member of the Personnel committee or Ministry & Counsel.

## WIDER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Ecumenical Worship Service of Taize**, Feb. 2, 7pm, All Saints Episcopal Church (4211 Wayne Rd.). The service will include chants, scripture, reflection, and silence.

**Workshop at Sylvan Pathways:** "The God-Mother, the Egg and Outrageous Hope: The Evolutionary Spark in each and all", Feb. 11, 10am-noon, \$15. Contact Lou Ouradnik : 854-9681.

**Retreat at St. Francis Spring Prayer Center:** Conducted by Scott Wagoner, Saturday, Jan. 28, 9M-3pm. An opportunity to reflect & think on how you want to move forward in your spiritual journey. Cost is \$20. Contact swagoner4@northstate.net.

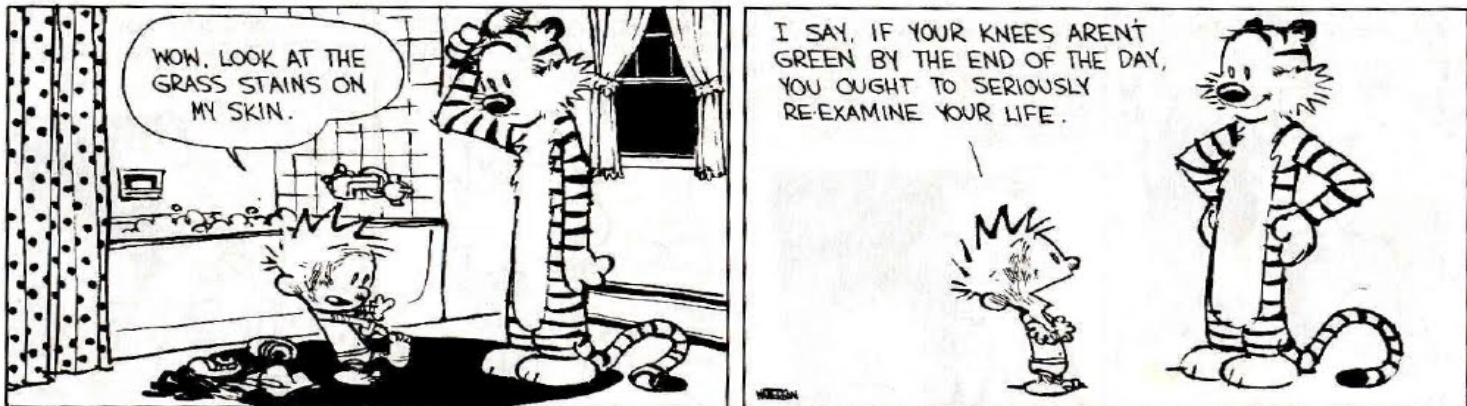
**Weekend of Wellness 2012!** Open to women of all ages- Friday, Feb. 24- Sunday, Feb. 26, Quaker Lake Camp, \$60- meals included. Registration and payment due by Feb. 20. Contact 674-2321 for more info. Registration forms available from Renee.

**Scripture**  
**Mark 2:23-28**

One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?"

He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need? In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions."

Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for people, not people for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."



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