



First Friends Meeting

A Center for Spiritual Growth
2100 West Friendly Avenue
Greensboro NC 27403

November 6, 2011

First Friends Meeting
Eleventh month, Sixth, 2011
First Friends is a Quaker Meeting
building healthy relationships
with God, one another and all creation.

Prelude	Prelude	Rinck
Announcements & Welcome		Deborah Suess
Joys and Concerns		Deborah Suess
Silence for Reflection		
Hymn #66	For the Beauty of the Earth	
Young Friends Message	“Team Food Pantry”	Jim Kimel
Anthem	Great is Thy Faithfulness	Runyan
Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not, As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above . Join with all nature in manifold witness To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided — Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me! Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!		
Offertory Prayer		Jay Bumm
Offertory	Clair de Lune	Debussy
Scripture	Jeremiah 31:31-33	

Message “Pulled Pork, Polyester, & a Peculiar People” Deborah

Resource: commentaries by Peter Gomes, and Amy-Jill Levine

Waiting Worship After the Manner of Friends

Hymn #712 Christ Call Us Now, as Long Ago

Benediction

Deborah Suess

*Today's flowers are given in honor of
Carson and Janie Grantham
for their commitment to the First Friends Community,
by Jenny and Lawrence Ross*

TODAY:

9:00 am - Unprogrammed Worship
10:00 am - Tailgating in the Parking Lot
11:00 am - Deborah Suess speaking
12:15 pm- Stewardship Celebration Lunch

UPCOMING:

Tuesday, Nov. 8- Municipal Elections in Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Nov. 8, 6:30pm- Immigration Sub-Committee
Wednesday, Nov. 9, 6pm- PLRP
Wednesday, Nov. 9, 6pm- Daisy Newman
Wednesday, Nov. 9, 7:30pm- Choir practice
Thursday, Nov. 10- In the Silence: Fellowship at 6pm, Class
begins at 6:30pm Room 108
Friday, Nov. 11- Sunday, Nov. 13- Quaker Lake Retreat

UPCOMING MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP:

November 13- Evelyn Jadin speaking at First Friends; A
conversation with Bill Stevens at Quaker Lake
November 20- Kathy Coe speaking

FIRST FRIENDS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Quaker Lake Weekend is almost here- November 11-13! This is a great opportunity for you to enjoy our beautiful camp, and get to know each other in playful ways. Registration brochures are in the bulletin, and available from the office. **Sign up today!** Cost is \$7 per person/per meal you share with us. No family is expected to pay more than \$75. If cost will prevent you from coming, please talk to Sheila- we really want you there!

In the Silence: Exploring Open Worship. November 10th and 17th we will explore various centering exercises, prayers, and meditations and consider together when to speak out of the silence. Join us in Room 103 at 6:00pm for Fellowship, Class 6:30-8:00pm. All welcome.

Short break from Sunday School due to Stewardship Tailgating event today and Quaker Lake Retreat next weekend. Please consider picking up the book, "Love Wins: A book about heaven, hell, and the fate of every person that ever lived", and join Lisa Lundeen Nagel and Marshall Hurley Nov. 20, 10am, in the Fellowship Hall for discussion and exploration. Excerpts will be offered, so reading the book is not required; you can join in any time.

Food Pantry welcomes your contributions. This week we'd love your help collecting **fixings for Thanksgiving Dinner (pies, turkeys, mashed potatoes, stuffing and other items-** please put perishables in the freezer). See Sheila, Jim Kimel or any member of the food pantry committee with questions. Thanks for your ongoing support!

Twentieth Annual Poinsettia Sale: Poinsettias will be placed in the meeting room Dec. 4, 11, & 18. Honor a loved one by ordering a plant. Profits will benefit youth group activities. Order forms are in the bulletin- **please return to Janice Wood by Nov. 27.**

Mock-ups of directional signs are placed throughout the Meetinghouse near major entrances and at certain hallway "intersections." Please view the signs and share any feedback to Sheila Hoyer or Liz Plummer. We appreciate your input!

USFW:

- We have buckets at each exit to collect "**Turkey Bucks**". Last year we provided ten Thanksgiving Dinners for MOWA Choctaw.
- We are selling pecans. Due to the drought in Georgia, the price is \$10/pound. There are halves, pieces, and amaretto chocolate.
- USFW meets Monday, Nov. 14, 10am, in the Fellowship Hall. Three members will review books from our reading list. All women of the meeting are welcome.

IMMIGRATION SUBCOMMITTEE will meet 6:30 pm, Tuesday, November 8th in Room 103. We will watch part of the DVD, *The 800 Mile Wall*, which highlights the construction of the new border walls along the U. S.- Mexico border, and the effect on migrants trying to cross. It is a thought-provoking film, though not easy to watch; discussion and a short business meeting will follow. All are invited.

Daisy Newman Circle meets on Wednesday, November 9 at 6:00 pm for a salad supper and fellowship and is open to all interested women in the Meeting. The Hostesses provide greens and drinks. Others bring foods that they like on a salad. Please RSVP to Susannah Dickey: miquelonSD@hotmail.com/ 847-3532.

DID YOU PAY FOR A HOMECOMING DVD many moons ago? Please let us know if we can reimburse you for that or it will be donated toward the hospitality committee.

WIDER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Faith International House Multi-Cultural Potluck Dinner- Nov. 14, 6-8pm, at the Mullin Life Center (First Presbyterian Church). Bring a favorite dish of your culture to share. Contact rzevallos@faihouse.org.

Greensboro Urban Ministry's 20th Annual Feast of Caring- A simple meal of soup and bread and an opportunity to make your 2012 Annual Pledge or Gift, Nov. 17, 5-7pm. The event is free, no reservations necessary.

Bending Towards the Light: A Jazz Nativity, presented by West Market Street United Methodist Church (302 West Market St.), Dec. 3, 5pm. Pre-show concert by MarketBell Ringers at 4pm. The event is free, childcare available. Call 275-4587 for info.

Tickets for **Vienna Boys Choir** at West Market St. United Methodist Church go on sale after Nov. 10. The performance is Tuesday, March 13, 2012. Call 275-4587.

Scripture
Jeremiah 31:31-33
New Living Translation

“The day is coming,” says the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah. This covenant will not be like the one I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant, though I loved them as a husband loves his wife,” says the Lord.

“But this is the new covenant I will make with the people of Israel on that day,” says the Lord. “I will put my instructions deep within them, and I will write them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.