

Forty-Three newsletter

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Oxford Friends Meeting
43 St Giles Oxford OX1 3LW



DEEPENING OUR F/FRIENDSHIPS & WORSHIP TOGETHER:

A Retreat Day for All F/friends



23 NOVEMBER, 2019

9:30-16:00

IN & AROUND THE MEETING HOUSE

43 ST. GILES'
OX1 3LW

*"Seek to know one another
in the things which are eternal" (A&Q 18)*

You are all invited to approach winter by considering our worship together, learning more about each other, making new friends, deepening Friendship. We shall learn more about how we worship and how others worship. We shall also talk, eat, drink, play, contemplate, and make things together. Food and refreshments will be provided, including a lovely warm soup lunch, cakes, and biscuits. Elders and Pastoral Care Group are organising the day.

Please send an email to office@oxfordquakers.org if you plan on attending so that we have some idea of numbers.

Anne Watson
On behalf of Elders and Pastoral Care Group

Universities of the Meeting

Attending Epilogue one evening in the Cadbury Room at Woodbrooke, a flipchart that had no doubt been left behind after one of the day's courses caught my eye. Someone had written "When an old person dies, it's as if a whole library goes up in flames." That resonated with me, probably because I am an old person, and the next day I shared the sentiment with my honorary grand-daughter. If I was expecting a sympathetic response, I was to be disappointed. "That might have once been true, but with today's almost unlimited data storage, it no longer really applies, does it?"

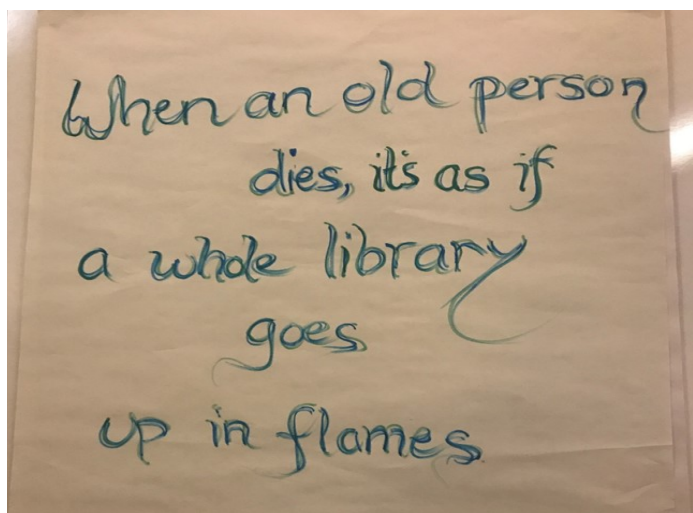
That stung. When I died, it wouldn't really matter because she could find everything I'd ever known in the Cloud. (No, not in the clouds, in the Cloud. That's a geeky term that translates approximately as 'somewhere on the Internet'.) Oh well, I have very low self-esteem anyway, so I didn't argue. And that's how things rested until today, when there was ministry in meeting about Peggy Heeks, who died recently, and it was mentioned that she had probably been our meeting's greatest theological resource.

That made me think again because I knew there was much I should have asked her, and I also knew I wouldn't find the answers in the Cloud. I realised

Deadline for contributions to the December 2019 issue: Friday 15 November

Contributions, preferably of 500 words or fewer, can be emailed to newsletter@oxfordquakers.org, or a paper copy can be left in the pigeonhole of any editor. Items for the calendar (on the last page) can be emailed to office@oxfordquakers.org.

that the message on the Woodbrooke flipchart was wrong. When an old person dies, it's not like a library burning, it's like a university closing down! Libraries are wonderful, but they're passive repositories of knowledge. People are like universities – full of knowledge, yes, but also dynamic, capable of interaction, and a continual source of new ideas and insights.



In fact, we're all universities. We're all constantly carrying out research just by living. Our knowledge, insights, and opinions are unique. And, just like universities, we have a duty to share them for the benefit of others. Maybe in fact, that's why I'm writing this article for Forty-Three, so many years after my last contribution.

I'd like to think that in meeting we're all open to sharing our gifts and insights – but there's a problem. How do we work out what to share with whom? I would gladly share my knowledge of 1960s European radio-valve numbering systems, for example, but I imagine there would be few takers! I suppose the solution is that we should all get to know one another a little better, and perhaps not be quite so reticent about our abilities and talents. I know it's not seen as Quakerly to talk about your achievements, but maybe just a few hints wouldn't do any harm. After all, if I'd only realised in time, I might have benefitted from a short course at the University of Peggy before that opportunity disappeared forever!

Keith Wilson

Response to Daphne Hampson's Talk

This is a response to, not a review of, Daphne Hampson's interesting talk of 11 October to Friday with Friends on 'Religion as Gender Politics'. After detailing the patriarchal nature of the Christian religion and some other religious traditions, Daphne finished by suggesting that nevertheless they had acted as 'carriers' for a sense of what she termed "that which is God". She said that this should be expressed in a non-gendered way. (I hope this brief statement does not distort her thinking.)

I did not have difficulty with the gender bias of the Christianity I grew up with, but I did have so much difficulty with the concept of 'the existence of God' that I nearly left organised religion in my early thirties. Daphne's phrase 'that which is God' might not have worked for me then, but I did dimly experience some reality that needed a name and an expression. What I finally came across was an idea from John Macmurray, that religion was about personal (as opposed to impersonal) reality. Further, personal reality was not 'a person' or collection of persons (any more than 'matter' is an object or collection of objects).

Personal reality is that "in which we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28). Scientific reality is a subset of that, being an impersonal take on the world. 'God' is the symbol, for theists (by which I mean people willing to use the word!), of the personal infinity that surrounds us and is in us. 'God' is not a person who might or might not exist. I see Daphne's phrase 'that which is God' as another name for the same reality. It transcends gender while not excluding 'personhood'.

Where I probably differ from Daphne is in my relation to the Christian tradition. I learned from it about love and acceptance and forgiveness, not about subjugation because of being female. Both strands are there, so it illustrates how varied we and our traditions are, how complex it is to be a person.

Jeanne Warren
12 October 2019

Success Academy Zimbabwe

Oxford Meeting has been generous in its support of Success Academy in Zimbabwe over the last few years, and the money from collections that we have taken out to the school makes a very big difference. This is a community-based organisation, not big enough to seek funding from large donor agencies.

The school has added Life Skills to its curriculum in order to train these students in self-reliance and income generation. Several youths have been engaged in this life skills empowerment with more than 600 sex workers being rehabilitated in both Epworth and Hatcliffe. This has restored worn out social fabrics and broken families. A small bakery was established for 60 rehabilitated sex workers in Epworth and they are doing well as they have continued to stay afloat despite economic challenges, and are supporting their dependents. Several women have been



Laytone Marisa, the schools' headmaster, writes:

SUCCESS ACADEMY

Greetings in the name of our LORD Jesus Christ. The meeting in Oxford has become our inspiration as you have made financial contributions when it mattered most. The schools have been badly affected by the economic meltdown in Zimbabwe but continue to float above the turbulence despite these financial challenges.

The two schools have a total enrolment of 912 students comprising of orphans and vulnerable children, with a hot-seating system making this possible*. Many have received free education since the establishment of the school, giving them hope and an opportunity to build their dreams. About 11 students have defied the odds and managed to get degrees in various disciplines from these humble beginnings of Success Academy, with some failing university education due to financial constraints as fees are no longer affordable due to economic crisis.

trained in poultry and tailoring but they are yet to get capital for them to realise their dreams.

SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

The school is facing a myriad of challenges threatening its viability but we thank God for carrying us through. The following are some of the requirements:

- New curriculum text books **
- Benches
- Stationery
- Grade 7 exam fee – US \$300 outstanding***

We have many requirements but we can't mention them all as we can manage with the basics.

*Hot-seating is organised so that some age groups have morning school whilst others attend in the afternoon. The teachers are educated volunteers from the community.

***The Ministry of Education has recently produced a completely new primary school curriculum, so the school's old text books need to be replaced.

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***In order to move on into secondary school, children have to pass Grade 7 exams. The poorest children may therefore do very well in primary but be blocked from progressing because they can't pay the fees charged for sitting the exam.

Laytone Marisa, Headmaster

Simon and I continue to visit Zimbabwe at least once a year so we have been able to keep in regular contact with Laytone and the struggles of this locally initiated project. On recent visits I have worked alongside Zimbabwean colleagues with some of the most vulnerable children from the schools, and with a lively and challenging group of young women and men surviving through work in the sex trade. The schools, and wider initiatives, are reaching a large number of children and marginalised young people who would otherwise have no access to education. For the teachers and volunteers involved, it also keeps alive both their belief that they can do something to make a difference without waiting for outside help, and their hope that change in the wider context will one day come.

Oxford Meeting collections on 17 and 24 November will be for the Success Academy schools.

Jane Fisher

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Action for Bhopal

Film *Bhopali*, Discussion, Tea

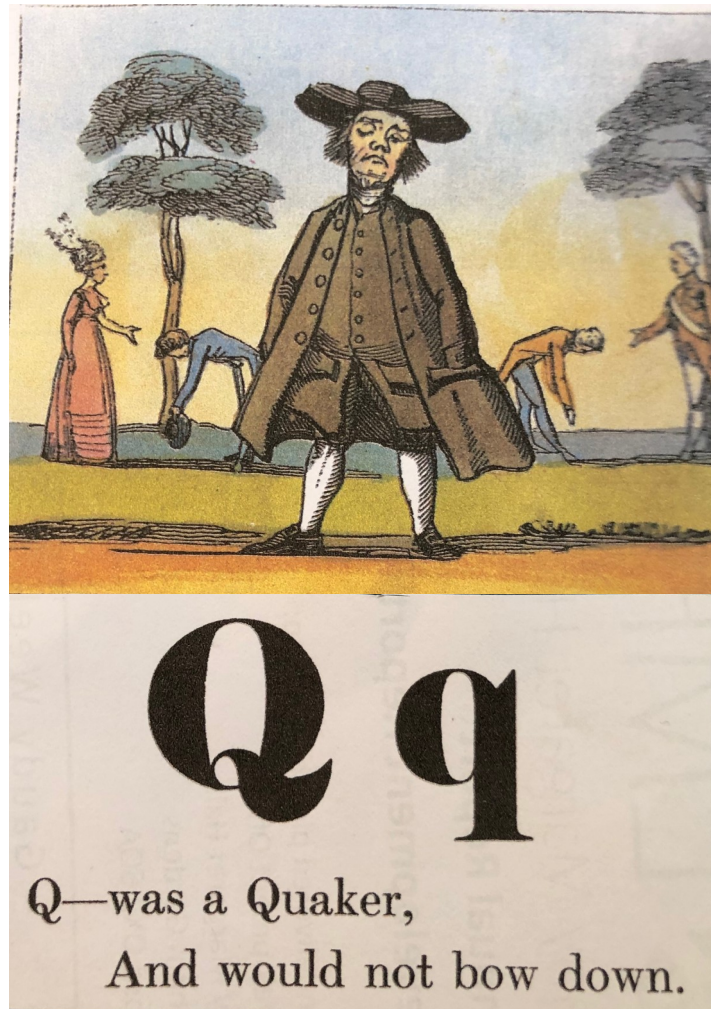
30 November 15:00-17:00

Oxford Friends Meeting House

Action for Bhopal is a new Quaker-led group campaigning to highlight the ongoing plight of the victims of Bhopal. Survivors still suffer as a result of the 1984 gas disaster. Union Carbide also poisoned the soil and groundwater—and successor companies refuse to take responsibility for the toxic site. The high rate of birth defects is now reaching into a third generation.

Friends, please do come and show your support.

actionforbhopal.org



Q was a Quaker

Our thanks to Patricia Wright for sending these fragments from Iona & Peter Opie's *A Nursery Companion* (1980, Book Club Associates/OUP). This illustration was part of *A Was an Archer and Shot at a Frog*, within that collection. Patricia comments that "the earnest expression can still be seen on 21st century Quaker faces".

43 Newsletter Deadline Changes

The editorial team are moving the deadline for submitting articles to 43 Newsletter to the middle of the preceding month. The aim is to have proper time to edit and produce the newsletter. We hope contributors will understand. Of course, we'll try to accommodate late submissions, as has always been the case, but please do note the new deadline norm.

Newsletter Team

Men in Song

Just before 7:00 pm, I arrive at our Meeting House in St Giles, where Man Choir is about to hold its weekly practice. As the name suggests, this is an all-male choir. The musical director, Philip Read, greets me warmly and then continues arranging the chairs in the Meeting House in preparation for tonight's practice. He also sets up his keyboard and plays a few notes.

The practice starts a few minutes after 7:15 pm. Philip introduces me to the group of about 30 men sitting on chairs arranged in the shape of a three-sided square. I look around and notice that absolutely no-one is holding any sheet music. This is totally different from any choir that I've ever sung in. I can't imagine how we'll manage without sheet music to guide us.

Philip asks us to divide ourselves up into three groups: tenors, bass-baritones, and basses. I decide to join the bass-baritones, and find myself sitting next to Ian, which turns out to be a good decision. Ian is a strong singer, and when we start singing I find that I can follow his lead quite easily.

Philip starts things off with about 10 minutes of gentle stretches and breathing exercises. He then announces that tonight we'll be learning an English song called *Sing John Ball*. He sings a few words of the tenor part, and also plays it on the keyboard. He then asks the tenors to sing it a few times. When they've got it right he repeats the procedure with the basses, and then with the bass-baritones.

We do this until we've learned one verse of the song and also the rousing chorus, which goes: "Sing John Ball and tell it to them all, Long live the day that is dawning, I'll crow like a cock, I'll carol like a lark, In the light that is coming in the morning". I've never heard this song before, but it has a lively harmonious melody, and the lyrics are about equality and peace, two of Quakerism's historic

testimonies. Later, after going home, I google 'John Ball' and find that he was a 14th century itinerant preacher. I also learn that the lyrics and the melody of the song were composed by Sidney Carter (see box).

Sidney Carter composed Quaker favourites such as *Lord of the Dance* and *One More Step Along the Way*. John Ball was dedicated to the ideal of an egalitarian society, where everyone would have the same rights and decent living standards. He was executed for his part in the Peasants' Revolt in 1381.



As we practice, Philip stops us now and then to emphasize the importance of breathing deeply, from the bottom of the lungs up. After about an hour we stop for a tea break, which I find very welcome. After tea Philip introduces us to a Georgian lament for a young man who was killed after escaping from jail for a crime he did not commit. We sing very slowly, and Philip is meticulous in insisting that we sing every note exactly right, but he does so cheerfully and with flashes of humour. We practice only a third of the song, and Philip

assures us that when we've learned it all, it will sound great. Finally we sing a couple of easy pieces which most of us already know – the Elvis Presley favourite *Can't Help Falling in Love with You* and the American coalminers' song, *Sixteen Tons*.

Companionship, not machismo

Philip and five other men started Man Choir in January 2013, and it now has 35 active members. From the start, Philip has been the choir's musical director. Referred to affectionately as 'the boss', he conducts rehearsals with relaxed good humour, while firmly insisting on robust musical standards.

The choir sings a wide range of music, including pop, folk, sea shanties, and Georgian polyphony. They perform in churches, community events, and music festivals. On one occasion they performed at the Campsfield House Immigration Detention Centre near Kidlington.

Few choir members can sight-read music, and many have never sung in a choir before joining this one. Musical director Philip Read says: "The whole choir is founded on the principle of open access: no auditions, no skills requirements. Just turn up and join in. There's no better way of getting to know new people than in an open-access choir. It's a wonderfully friendly and interesting bonding experience!"

Ian Hughson, who also sings in a 'mixed' choir, feels that the all-male composition of Man Choir is key to its identity: "The all-male voices give us a distinctive, chesty sort of sound, which is quite different from the sound produced by mixed choirs. It's not necessarily a better sound but it's definitely different."

Although this is an all-male choir, there is nothing macho about it. Quite the contrary, according to Andrew Montgomery: "One of our great strengths is the companionship that we have with one another. Most of us are aged fifty-plus, which is a time when male isolation can be a real killer."

Musical director Philip agrees: "In a group like this singing is only part of the achievement. Every bit as important is what we've done in terms of community and friendship. We've formed enduring friendships, support groups, and partners in projects of many kinds."



At the end of the evening I feel exhilarated by the experience of singing with these men, who obviously love singing together and enjoy one another's company. A few of them ask if I'm planning to join the choir. I think perhaps I will.

PS: Men of all ages wishing to attend a practice of Man Choir, with a view to joining, are welcome to come to the Quaker Meeting House at 43 St Giles, Oxford, at 7:00 pm on a Thursday evening.

Glen Williams



Kris Wilson-Yang, from Ottawa Monthly Meeting, visited Oxford Meeting in late August. Afterwards he sent a thank you for the welcome he had received, and included this photo from our garden.

Asylum Welcome Food Bank Thanks Oxford Quakers

Dear Oxford Quakers,

I'm writing to thank you for all your recent regular donations to Asylum Welcome's Food Bank. We are very grateful for your ongoing regular support, especially in recent months over the summer when our stocks often dwindle before being replenished at Harvest time.

We continue to support vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers, single people, couples, and families, who benefit from a weekly bag of perishable and non-perishable food, as well as toiletries and nappies. We are able to provide fresh fruit and vegetables, thanks to our charity partnerships with the Oxford Food Bank and Tesco Magdalen St.

Please pass on our grateful thanks to all friends for your generous support.

With best wishes,

Judy Rous

Volunteer Food Bank Coordinator

Asylum Welcome



All-Age Worship: 1 December

Our next all-age meeting for worship will be on Sunday 1 December, during the 10:30 single meeting for worship. This is a chance for our children's meetings and the main meetings to be combined, usually with some programmed elements. The children join the main meeting after half an hour. This time, the children will act out a short story, based on an old tale originally told by Ruben Saillens as *Le Père Martin*, subsequently re-told by Leo Tolstoy as *Where Love Is, God Is*, and re-told by various modern storytellers as *Papa Panov*. There will then be an opportunity for everyone in the meeting to reflect on the theme of giving and receiving. Oxford Meeting has three all-age meetings for worship each year, in April, October, and December.

Matthew Gee

Sunflowers Children's Meeting

Peace has been the Sunflowers' theme for October. Meetings have included activities about the world family of Friends; learning about historic Quaker peacemaking in the form of William Penn; and thinking about when it might be right to speak out and break the rules, using the children's book the *Library Lion* by Michelle Knudsen. In November, we start on 'equality', which will include preparing for our December all-age meeting for worship.

Sunflowers meetings are for children age 4 and over, and meet weekly on Sundays at 11:00 in the Long Room (10:30 on the first Sunday of the month). We also have a weekly Beansprouts meeting for babies and toddlers.

Matthew Gee

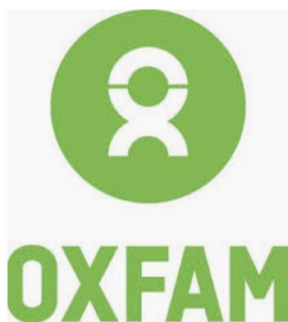
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**OXFORD TOWN HALL
SATURDAY
9 NOVEMBER
10:00 - 16:00**



**Fair Trade Talks & Panel Discussion
Café, Campaigns, Christmas Cards, Gifts, Crafts
Live music - Oxford Classic Jazz, Seagreen Singers**



**Opening at 10:00 by Layla Moran, MP
and Craig Simmons, Lord Mayor of Oxford**

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News from the Homeless Community

On 2 January 2020 the Oxford Winter Night Shelter (OWNS) will open its doors for the third year. OWNS is a project of Churches Together in Central Oxford (CTCO), who previously started the Gatehouse Homeless Drop In Centre. In 2018, seven different churches took part from January to March. Two churches were open each night. In total over the three months, 58 guests who would otherwise have slept rough were welcomed and sheltered, and 340

volunteers gave their time and caring to look after them.

The success of the project led the group to

consider what improvements could be made this year. We still have two churches open each night welcoming up to 20 guests, and the hours and conditions will be the same. However, if you have slept in the warm and dry but have to pack up and leave your sanctuary at 8:00 – a time when all organisations, statutory and voluntary, are still shut – it can be a bleak end to a good night. So for those who have been in an OWNS shelter overnight, the Breakfast Club will open from 8:00 to 10:00, serving breakfast and providing the chance of a shower, company, and a congenial start to the day.

How can you help? It's not too late to volunteer and be trained for any of the roles in the project: setting up, overnight, clearing up, and now the breakfast shift. To volunteer, log in to the website ownsoxford.org.uk and follow the links. Or if, like me, you don't do that email stuff, contact Mary Gurr, chaplain to the homeless community and the amazing progenitor of the OWNS project, on 01865 552010. If you prefer to contribute in other ways there will be a collection for OWNS in January and you can donate towels (either new or in good condition) and shower gel. Leave a note in my pigeonhole or phone 01865 515163 if you have something to donate.

Elisabeth Salisbury



Breakfast Meetings on Tuesday and Thursday

Our breakfast Meetings for Worship on Tuesday and Thursday mornings are gently growing. We often have 10 and more people quietly sitting together in the Garden room.

We are a lovely mixture. Some of us are very regular attenders, others a little more sporadic; some are able to get to Meeting for our 7:30 start, others join the already gathered stillness as and when they can get there. Some arrive for breakfast. All are welcome – at any time they can make it.

We have quite a few visitors, who seem to be drawn to the combination of the early and unusual time and perhaps the prospect of breakfast afterwards. And we have a wide age range – 18 months to 80 years – amongst our regular attenders.



In the last year I have become very attached to the two Meetings, and they are currently my most valued Meetings of the week. If I am in Oxford, I do my best to attend. I've learnt a lot from the Society of Friends. In our breakfast Meetings, I'm reminded of the sacramental nature of everyday life as the fellowship and communion of our silent worship continues into the friendly conversation and discussion over tea, toast, and cereal. It is hard to know where Meeting starts and ends, and it influences my whole day. Starting the day two mornings of the week with quiet reflection followed by such great warmth and friendship is very uplifting for me. Breakfasts on Tuesdays and Thursdays have now become my favourite meals of the week.

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Going to such early Meetings through the year I enjoy experiencing the seasons changing. In the winter we sit in near-darkness with our only light being a candle on the table, wrapped up for warmth and immersed in the wakening of the day. In the summer months it is bright and lively with the birds singing and the garden in its full flowering glory. I can cycle to 43 and sit in my shorts and teeshirt feeling very awake.

What doesn't change though is the warmth and care of my fellow early risers. And I am very grateful to them and to Oxford Meeting for having such a wide range of opportunities for Worship.

Best Wishes,
Chris White



We Get Four Stars!

Huge Thanks to All the Kitchen Helpers!

In the Oxford Mail last month, the kitchen at 43 was listed as having a four star rating by Oxford City Council's Environmental Health team, along with venues such as the Grand Café! A huge thank you to everyone who works so hard to keep the kitchen a clean and safe place for all!

OXFORD QUAKER MEETING, 43 ST GILES, OXFORD / Four Stars

Food hygiene and safety: very good. High standard of compliance with statutory obligations and industry codes of recommended practice; conforms to accepted good practices in the trade. Confidence in management: same. Satisfactory record of compliance. Access to and use of technical advice either in-house or from trade associations. Structural compliance: good. High standard of compliance with statutory obligations and industry codes. Inspected: Oxford City Council on August 20.

—Oxford Mail, Friday 4 October 2019

Welcome Madeleine



Having just finished her Master's studies, Madeleine Tappy is now working part-time as an administrator for the Meeting House, and full time as the coordinator of the charity Jacari. Both Madeleine and her spouse Robert attend Meetings regularly – and got married in the Meeting House this past August! Madeleine enjoys photography, reading, music, eating an unholy amount of falafel, and traveling (now especially to the US, where her family still lives, and to Israel/Palestine, where she spent many months while growing up). She is delighted to be involved with life at the Meeting House and grateful for the community therein!



Many thanks to **Sue Smith** for her wonderful work as a member of the 43 Newsletter editorial team. We wish her all the best in her new role as co-clerk of Oxford Meeting.

Newsletter Editors

Poetry in the Meeting House and Library during November

This is a reminder that our autumn series of Poems in the Meeting House includes some outstanding evenings. Sessions are held in the Library from 18:30 for 19:00, till 21:00. Two excellent and well-known poets will be with us in November: Fiona Sampson on the 16th and Lucy Newlyn on the 23rd. Full details of who the poets are can be found in the pamphlet in the lobby at 43. If these sessions are anything like those in October they will be worth coming to – with a friend who doesn't know our Meeting House if possible! Inreach and Outreach combined beautifully in October.

Our normal November session of Poems in the Library will be on Monday the 18th, from 16:00 to 18:00. The (voluntary) themes will be both 'the body' and 'the uncanny'. (We had to cancel our October session in favour of Kieran Hardy's funeral scheduled on the same day.)

Stephen Yeo

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Greeting Cards

On Sunday 3 November, and on four Sundays after that, Friends coming through the front door of 43 St Giles will notice a display of beautiful hand-crafted Christmas and greeting cards. These were all made in Rwanda by a group of 20 women affected either by HIV/AIDS or poverty, or both. If you would like to support these women and their families, please buy some cards and send them to your families and friends. For further information please contact Glen Williams. g.and.a.williams@ntlworld.com

Glen Williams

Friday With Friends - Friendly Fours

Friday 8 November 19.00 - 21.00

Led by Juliet Henderson

This *Friday with Friends* evening takes inspiration from the former *Friendly Eights* groups, in which members of Oxford Meeting met monthly to find spiritual guidance and new light from each other.

The aim of the current initiative, Friendly Fours, is to seek a fresh iteration of this—and to have fun! Particular emphasis will be placed on deepening our understanding of our status as Friends.

Do come along to listen to and participate in this discussion.

(Vegan-Friendly) flapjacks will be provided!

Giving and Receiving

A new service column

Services are offered in exchange for donations towards helping to maintain the premises at 43. Anyone interested is invited to specify a service they are looking for, or offering, and also a suggested donation. A fair basis for donations might be the living wage of £10 per hour.

Services offered this month:

Name: **Becky Riddell**

Contact details:

email: bexriddell@gmail.com

mobile: 07779 646 653

Computer or IT help. Can only do PC not Apple. Setting up email, learning how to use Excel or PowerPoint, social media, printer setup etc. Monday afternoons only.

also:

Car journey locally. Heavy shopping, doctor appt etc. Monday afternoons only.

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2019

All at 43 St Giles unless otherwise indicated

Date	Time	Event
Sunday 3 Nov	10:30	Combined Meeting for Worship
	12:00	Business Meeting for Worship
Monday 4 Nov	17:00	Oxford Meeting Coordinating Group
Tuesday 5 Nov	19:00	First Tuesday Group
Thursday 7 Nov	17:30	Pastoral Care Group
Friday 8 Nov	19:00	Friday With Friends— 'Friendly Four'
Saturday 16 Nov	18:30	Fundraising Poetry Evening
Monday 18 Nov	16:00	Poems in the Library
Thursday 21 Nov	19:00	Premises and Finance Committee
Friday 22 Nov	19:00	Elders' Meeting
Saturday 23 Nov	10:00	Whole Meeting Retreat
Sunday 24 Nov	12:15	Bring-and-Share Lunch
Thursday 28 Nov	18:00	Garden Group Meeting
Saturday 30 Nov	15:00-17:00	Film <i>Bhopali</i> shown by Action for Bhopal

From Quaker Faith and Practice

*Make service your centre, with its laws and duties and self-sacrifice, and life is a bondage.
Make friendship the centre and life is freedom.*

John Macmurray, 1942
Quaker Faith & Practice 22.10

MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

1st Sunday of each month
10:30am at 43 St Giles
(followed by tea and coffee)

2nd 3rd & 4th Sunday of each month
9:30am & 11:00am at 43 St Giles
(followed by tea and coffee)

Monday
7:00pm Young Adult Friends at 43 St Giles
(followed by baked potato supper)

Tuesday & Thursday
7:30am at 43 St Giles
(followed by breakfast at 8:00am)

Wednesday
12:15pm at 43 St Giles
(followed by tea and coffee)

Headington LM worship on Sunday
10:00am at The Priory,
85 Old High Street, OX3 9HT

Forty-Three is available online, at
www.oxfordquakers.org/newsletter

If you are considering writing an article or notice but would prefer it not to go online, please don't hesitate to contribute it. Just indicate that the piece is not for inclusion in the internet version — no reason will be asked for. Articles and notices are very welcome to appear in the print edition only, and the same applies to calendar items.

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