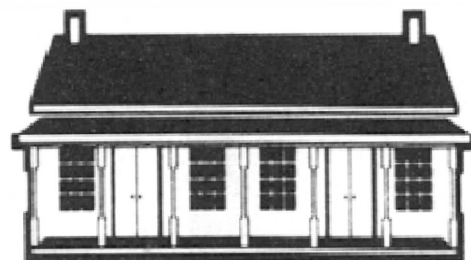


PROGRAM for 148th ANNUAL SESSIONS

In-person and via Zoom
Seventh Month 23-27, 2025
Scattergood Friends School
1951 Delta Ave, West Branch, Iowa



Silent Worship in a Noisy World

EVENING COLLECTIONS

Wednesday: Be The Mountain

We are struggling with endless waves of disruptive change, anger and grief. Explore how to employ stillness to become a mountain midst howling winds. Led by Geery Howe.

Thursday: Quakers Speak

Learn to do silent worship by sharing stories with our community. Ken Fawcett, Craig Moser, Evelyn Bergus, and Callie Marsh. Lightly clerked by Bill Deutsch.

Friday: This Present Moment and the Eternal Now

The Living Presence is always there, waiting for us to quiet ourselves enough to hear, feel, and know its power. Shared by Gretchen Castle.

Saturday: A Visit with John Woolman

A portrayal by Rex Nyquist, based on The Journal of John Woolman.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Morning Bible Study led by Lorene Ludy

Sunday Pre-Meeting – Nothing Can Separate Us From the Love of God with Gretchen Castle.

Evening collections and meetings for worship and business will be shared via Zoom, thanks to the IYMC Technology Committee. Enjoy online chats with F/friends or interest groups in breakout rooms.

We ask in-person attenders who are not presenters or at the front table to wear masks while in the Meetinghouse.

PRESENTERS/DISCUSSION LEADERS

Lorene Ludy is a member of Lincoln Friends Meeting.

Geery Howe is a member of West Branch Friends Meeting.

Bill Deutsch is a member of Decorah Friends Meeting.

Gretchen Castle has been dean of the Earlham School of Religion since 2021. She previously served as the General Secretary of the Friends World Committee for Consultation in London, traveling extensively to bring greater unity to Friends worldwide. Gretchen also served in the Quaker United Nations offices in New York and Geneva.

Rex Nyquist, is a high school history teacher in the Chicago area. “A Visit with John Woolman” is part of his performance series Men of Faith, History, and Letters.

2025 Yearly Meeting Schedule - Iowa Yearly Meeting Conservative

Silent Worship in a Noisy World

JULY	23 WED 4th day	24 THUR 5th day	25 FRI 6th day	26 SAT 7th day	27 SUN 1st day
AM					
7:00 - 7:15		Early Worship	Early Worship	Early Worship	Early Worship
7:15 - 8:00		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
8:00 - 8:30		Bible Study <i>Lorene Ludy</i>	Bible Study <i>Lorene Ludy</i>	Bible Study <i>Lorene Ludy</i>	
8:45 - 9:30		Caretakers P&SC	Caretakers P&SC	Caretakers P&SC	9:00 Pre-Meeting Nothing Can Separate Us from the Love of God <i>Gretchen Castle</i>
9:30 - 12:00		Business Meeting	Business Meeting	Business Meeting	10:30 Meeting for Worship
PM					
12:00 - 1:00		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch M&C (In person only) (12 Noon to 2pm)	Lunch
1:00 - 2:00 Interest Groups <i>*Please note some groups are online only, some are in person only, some are both in person & online</i>		M&C (In person only) Earthcare Witness (In person / Online) "Dictatorship Wasn't On My Bingo Card: Testing What to Do" with Liz Oppenheimer (Online Only)	SAGE: Sharing on Scattergood Incorporation, continued (In person/ Online)	AFSC and FCNL Reports (1pm to 2pm) (In person / Online)	Clean up and travel home <i>(everyone must be out of the dorms by 2:00!)</i>
2:00 - 5:00		Business Meeting (2:00 - 4:00)	Business Meeting (2:00 - 4:00)	Business Meeting (2:00 - 5:00)	
5:15 - 6:00	Supper	Supper	Supper	Supper	
6:00 - 6:30	Newcomers Meeting <i>Nancy Jordan</i>	Newcomers Meeting <i>Nancy Jordan</i>	Newcomers Meeting <i>Nancy Jordan</i>		
7:00 - 8:30	Evening Collection Be the Mountain, employing stillness to stand steady <i>Moderator/Leader Geery Howe</i>	Evening Collection Quakers Speak: Learn to Do Silent Worship from IYM-C Friends <i>Bill Deutsch</i>	Evening Collection The Present Moment and the Eternal Now <i>Gretchen Castle</i>	Evening Collection A Visit with John Woolman <i>Rex Nyquist</i>	
8:45 - 9:30	Singing	Singing	Singing	Singing	

Items in **bold** are available for online participants.

Tentative Agenda for 2025 Annual Sessions of Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends (Conservative)

5th Day, Thursday, July 24, 9:30 AM

2023 Entertainment Committee Reports
Publication Committee Report
2024 Midyear Meeting Report, including JYM
Interim Meeting Minutes (2024)
Ohio & North Carolina Epistles
Epistles selected by Document Committee

Reports not read in the session will include

- The Exercise Committee Report
- Other reports not available during sessions or that we don't have time to read (as approved by the body)
- Reports to Yearly Meetings from Quaker organizations (posted at www.iymc.org)

5th Day, Thursday, July 24, 2:00 PM

M&C Report with religious education
State of the Meeting
Query responses

6th Day, Friday, July 25, 9:30 AM

Yearly Meeting Trustees Report
SS&F Foundation Trustees
School Farm, Head, Financial
School Committee

6th Day, Friday, July 25, 2:00 PM

P&SC Report
Pendle Hill Scholarship Committee
IYMC Rep to FWCC
IYMC Rep to FCNL
IYMC Rep to AFSC
IYMC Rep to Friends Peace Teams Council
IYMC Rep to Iowa Peace Network
IYMC Rep to Quaker Earthcare Witness

7th Day, Saturday, July 26, 9:30 AM

Reports from JYM & Young Friends
Auditors' & Treasurer's Reports
Representatives Report
Book Table Committee Report
Special Needs Committee Report
Virtual Access Committee Report
Website/Technology Committee Report
Archives Committee Report

7th Day, Saturday, July 26, 2:00 PM

Recorder's Report
Meeting for Remembrance
Nominating Committee Report
Our Epistles and Special Replies
Closing Minute