

Midyear Youth activities- Please register by March 15.

## Schedule - Midyear Meeting 2026

Hybrid format- in person and online

Central Standard time

### Seventh Day March 28 (Saturday)

- 10:00 Welcome- in person (sign in if joining remotely)  
10:30 Meeting for Worship  
11:30 Close meeting - Welcome from Bear Creek
- 11:45 Lunch break  
1:30 \*Session 1- On Yielding Panel: Conversation and brief readings  
with Carol Spaulding-Kruse, Billie Wade & Stan Sanders  
3:15 Break  
3:30 Fellowship downstairs or outside  
Interim Committee -in person or join remotely (upstairs)  
Peace and Social Concerns -in person or remotely (cottage)
- 5:30 Supper break  
7:00 \*Session 2-Evening interest groups  
"Journaling as Spiritual Guidance" with Billie Wade  
"Yielding to Spirit" with Stan Sanders  
"Generative AI & Human Creativity" w/ Carol Spaulding-Kruse  
8:30 Optional group game "The Minister's Cat" (just prior to singing)
- 8:30 Music, singing, bring songbooks and instruments

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### First Day March 29 (Sunday)

- 7:30 -8:15 Breakfast  
8:45 Welcome in person. Sign in if joining remotely.  
9:00 \* Session 3 - Pre-meeting "Queries for Quaker Creatives"  
with Carol Spaulding -Kruse, Billie Wade, Stan Sanders  
10:00 Break  
10:30 Meeting for Worship  
11:30 Close meeting and farewells  
11:45 Lunch

A zoom link will be sent to Friends who pre-register to attend remotely.

### Childcare- Pre-school- Kindergarten:

Please Register by March 15 so childcare can be arranged ahead of time.  
(Childcare & Young Friends, Jackie Leckband)

### Junior Yearly Meeting -(JYM) grades 1-8

The JYM program will take place during the same time periods as adult sessions, with active outdoor time, quiet games, and projects.  
Please bring clothes and footwear for outdoor activities.  
Contact: Bill Deutsch [billbdeutsch@gmail.com](mailto:billbdeutsch@gmail.com) 563-382-3699 (text/call)

### Young Friends- high school age:

are encouraged to attend the sessions with adult participants.  
An activity for YF will be held at 3:30 Saturday afternoon.  
Please dress for outdoor activity.

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Health and Care - It is suggested that those attending might consider wearing a mask, to be mindful of the vulnerability and health status of the neighbors near you. Masks will be available at MYM.  
If not feeling well, you are invited to join online or by phone.

Midyear Sale - Friends are welcome to bring crafts, and gently used items to donate for a sale to support Scattergood Friends School and Farm and American Friends Service Committee (AFSC).

Contributions may be made in person during MYM, or online.  
Scattergood Friends School [scattergood.org/ways-to-give/](https://scattergood.org/ways-to-give/)  
American Friends Service Committee <https://tinyurl.com/MidwestAFSCgift>

Lodging options are available within 20-30 minutes of  
Bear Creek Meeting - in Stuart, Adel, Winterset, West Des Moines,  
and the KOA West, campground Earlham/Adel - simple cabins.

### Midyear Committee

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Deborah Fink and Osa Bricker -MYM committee members

## Midyear Meeting Paper registration 2026

Third Month 28-29 ( March ) - Hybrid Format

**Please register by March 15th.**

1. Online registration: go to IYMC.org site (for in person or online)
2. Or send a Paper registration: copy this form and Mail to:  
Bear Creek Meeting c/o Leckbands  
19186 Bear Creek Road  
Earlham, Iowa 50072

So that all may participate, no fees have been established. Contributions to help offset expenses are appreciated from those attending in person or online. Checks may be made to Bear Creek Meeting with "midyear" in the memo line. A zoom link will be emailed to online participants before MYM.

How many plan to attend in person? \_\_\_\_ or Online / zoom? \_\_\_\_

Adult \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ text ok? \_\_\_\_\_

Additional adults \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

How many people plan to be at each meal?

\_\_\_ Sat. lunch \_\_\_ Sat. supper \_\_\_ Sun. breakfast \_\_\_ Sun. lunch

Please note how many food preferences for meals.

\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_ Omnivore \_\_\_ Vegan \_\_\_ Gluten free \_\_\_ Dairy free

A variety of food options will be available.

Food sensitivities \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Would you have interest in bringing a healthy snack to share? Fruit?

\_\_\_ Do you have training in First Aid \_\_\_\_\_ or CPR \_\_\_\_\_ ?