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WORLD QUAKER DAY – FOCUS: SUSTAINABILITY

Sunday, October 6th is [FWCC's World Quaker Day](#), which this year is focused on "Sustainability: Planting Seeds of Renewal for the World We Love." They have created a couple videos in the last year to highlight environmental concerns. One of them includes [Friends leaders in the US talking about the importance of creation care](#) (starring our own Cherice Bock!) and one is [stories of global Friends who are experiencing the repercussions of climate change](#). There's also a webinar Oct 21, organized by a group Cherice is working with that includes people from FWCC, Quaker Earthcare Witness, FGC, EFC-NA, and FUM about activism Friends are doing in the Americas around environmental concerns, including these Friends as speakers:

- Emma Condori Mamani is a lifelong Quaker from La Paz, Bolivia who is speaking out about climate change and access to clean water
- Emily Wirzba lobbies on energy and environmental concerns for the Friends Committee on National Legislation (US)
- Beverly Ward is the Field Secretary for Earthcare for Southeastern Yearly Meeting
- Kallan Benson is a Friend from Annapolis, Maryland who is a leader of the youth climate strike

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY | OCTOBER 6

Don't forget to join us early this Sunday, October 6, at 10:15am, to enjoy extended fellowship time with hot drinks and pastries. (Fellowship Sunday is always the first Sunday of the month and ReThreads is open during our gathering.)

RETHREADS – FREE CLOTHING MINISTRY

Occasionally, we at ReThreads take stock of how many folks come to the store. According to sign in sheets dated January 2018 through July 2019, 195 families shopped for 4671 family members. This includes folks from all walks of life. The ministry averages visits from approximately 20 families per weekend. If you are unfamiliar with ReThreads, it is a free clothing ministry that is hosted by NVFC volunteers, and is open Fridays and Saturdays from 11am to 1pm, and the 1st Sunday of the month during fellowship time. The store is located off the north side of the parking lot between the fellowship hall and the gym (it's red!). Check it out! Want to know more? Contact co-clerks Julie Luedtke luedtkej72@gmail.com or Mindy Allison mindy7000@gmail.com.

REMINDER—NO FRIDAY NIGHT FUN OCTOBER 4TH

As per the new monthly rhythm, there will not be a Friday Night Fun night the first Friday of the month, October 4th. The following Friday, October 11, we'll meet at the Jones family home (210 W. Fourth St.) from 7:00-9:30pm. Friday Night Fun nights are for middle and high school students. Join us for games, movies, and "just hanging out" in a rotation of different homes. Check the [current youth calendar](#) at northvalleyfriends.org for ongoing information. Copies can also be found in the foyer.

VENDORS WANTED FOR QUAKER ARTISAN FAIRE

Vendors are needed for the West Hills Friends annual **Quaker Artisan Faire 2019!** We're planning another exciting Artisan Faire, November 8th -10th. It's a wonderful time to get to know each other better, have fun, earn some extra income, and contribute to the Friends Medical Team to Bolivia, April 2020. Please contact Margie Simmons margie.m.simmons@gmail.com 503-708-4277 for more information and to register as a vendor. Vendor registration is due by **October 20th**. Early registration is encouraged to secure a space.

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"Prayer is not asking, prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God" - Mother Teresa

SCRIPTURE

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God? - **Micah 6:8**

If people mistreat or malign you, bless them. Always speak blessings, not curses. If some have cause to celebrate, join in the celebration. And if others are weeping, join in that as well. Work toward unity, and live in harmony with one another. Avoid thinking you are better than others or wiser than the rest; instead, embrace common people and ordinary tasks. Do not retaliate with evil, regardless of the evil brought against you. Try to do what is good and right and honorable as agreed upon by all people. If it is within your power, make peace with all people. - **Romans 12:14-18**

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 2 **Wednesday with Friends dinner and small groups begin**
Youth Groups (middle school 6:30pm; high school 7:30pm)
- 4 NO Friday Night Fun on the first Friday of the month
- 5 Prayer group
- 6 Fellowship Sunday
Ultimate Frisbee
- 8 Building & Grounds meeting
- 9 **Wednesday with Friends dinner and small groups begin**
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- 11 Friday Night Fun at the Jones family home
- 12 Prayer group
- 13 Ultimate Frisbee
- 15 Admin committee meeting