# **ANNOUNCEMENTS | AUGUST 20, 2025**

#### **WELCOME ABOARD, LYNN!**

At the congregational meeting for worship for business last week, Lynn Holt was approved as the Minister of Stewardship and Communication here at NVFC. Lynn's role will assist the congregation by envisioning and facilitating the following: effective church and administrative systems and functions, clear and consistent communication, and the faithful use of the resources entrusted to our care. The complete job description for this new role can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

# **"OUT OF MY MIND" - THOUGHTS FROM COLIN SAXTON**

Sometimes, Quaker communities can be a bit tricky to navigate. We tend to attract introverts, often use unfamiliar language for familiar things, and don't tend to push people into activities or commitments until they show a lot of interest. Whether someone is new to the fellowship or has been around for a while, it's common for some to feel "out of the loop."

While I am not interested in us becoming pushy, overwhelming others with information, or losing our Friendly-identity, I have been thinking about how we could enhance our communication within NVFC and how to make it easier and simpler for people to find a genuine sense of belonging among us.

As the new pastoral team is assembled and integrated, we will examine and improve various aspects of our culture and the systems that support our community life. One of the first topics we will focus on is communication, and how we can work to ensure everyone understands what's happening and knows how to participate if they wish.

I would love to hear ideas from all of you, especially around questions like these:

- What would help you/your family have a greater sense of belonging?
- Are there things about NVFC you've always wondered about?
- O What information would you like to receive from the office, and how?
- O If you could suggest one thing to improve communication, what would it be?

I welcome your thoughts on any or all of these questions. Please email me at colin@northvalleyfriends.org, or let's find a time to connect.

## SUPPORT FOR CATALYST RESOURCE ROOM

We would like to help supply the Catalyst High School Resource Room again this fall by collecting reusable water bottles, pens, and pencils. Please bring your donations to the tub in the NV foyer marked "Catalyst Donations" by Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. There is also an <u>Amazon Wishlist</u> with other items they need if you feel led to give that way. Thank you for the many ways you bless the surrounding community!

#### CARDS AND CELEBRATION FOR LESLIE | SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

After serving on North Valley's pastoral team in several roles over several years, Leslie concluded her time on staff at the end of July. Cards are being collected to shower Leslie with words of affirmation, gratitude, and love. There are blank cards available in the foyer, or you can drop off or mail your own card to the meetinghouse.

There will be a dessert potluck to celebrate Leslie on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> after programmed worship. Bring a snack or dessert to share!

# SERVE DAY | WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Are you available on Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> anytime from 9-4? We accomplish a lot of our "steward-y" tasks during this annual Serve Day and your help is greatly appreciated! Please let the office know if you are available to work alongside George Fox University students & other North Valley friends. If you are a George Fox employee and on the team that will come to NV that day, please also let us know. Thanks!

## FALL BBQ | SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

It's almost time to fall back into the rhythm of autumn, with all the stresses and joys that entails. One of those joys is right around the corner - The Fall Back to Fall BBQ! Join us for our annual Fall potluck BBQ on Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup> directly following programmed worship. Sign up to bring something or help out on <u>Perfect Potluck</u> or in the foyer.

#### WANTED: SUNDAY MORNING MINISTERS

We're looking for more folks to serve on Sunday mornings in a variety of roles. For the month of September (and beyond), we need more musicians, people to run sound and slides, and scripture readers. No prior experience required! If you're willing to be on the schedule or interested in learning more, please contact Kelsey Waybright or Colin Saxton (colin@northvalleyfriends.org).

#### **YOUTH EVENTS**

- TODAY, Wednesday, August 20 **Youth Group at DQ!** For the last youth group of the summer, we will go to Newberg Dairy Queen today from 7 to 8 pm. Drop-off and pick-up in the NV parking lot.
- Sunday, August 24 **Donuts!** Meet in the youth room at 10:15 am.
- Sunday, August 24 **Lunch out after church**. Bring money for your lunch. After programmed worship, we'll head out as a group to eat and hang out together. A great way to wrap up the summer!
- No youth group next week, Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>.

If you have questions about youth programming, contact Steph St. Cyr - steph@northvalleyfriends.org.

### THIS WEEK AT NORTH VALLEY

AUG	20	7:00pm	Last Summer Youth Group - NVFC/DQ
	21	6:30pm	Elders meeting
	24	9:30am	Unprogrammed Worship
		10:15am	Donuts - youth room
		10:45am	Programmed Worship
		12:00pm	Youth: out to lunch
	25	7:00pm	Basketball night - gym
	27	7:00pm	No youth group on 8/27

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Celebration for Leslie | August 31 Fellowship Sunday | September 7 GFU Serve Day | September 10 Fall BBQ | September 14

### LINKS

## \*\* ZOOM LINK FOR PROGRAMMED WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS | 10:45AM \*\*

Tithely Giving Form

Laundry Sign-up | Newberg Drop-In Center

Directory Update Form

2025-2026 Budget (July-Jun) General Fund Tithes and Offering	
Donations are accepted at northvalleyfriends.org	
Need more info? E-mail office@northvalleyfriends.org	
August 2025 Tithes/Offerings	\$18,333.33
August 2025 Tithes/Offerings Received through 8.17.25	\$12,277.44
Percent of Month's Projected Tithes/Offerings Received:	66.97%
Fiscal Year to Date Budgeted Tithes/Offerings (July 25):	\$18,333.33
Tithes/Offerings Received (July 25):	\$18,546.00
Percent of Budget/Offerings Received (July 25):	101.16%
Emergency/Benevolent Fund Balance:	\$1,649.76