

Nontheist Friends Events

All Friends Are Invited to Attend

Friends General Conference Gathering 2017
Niagara Falls, New York

Events held in the Nontheist Friends Room – St Vincent's 215

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| Monday, July 3 | 1:30 PM | Nontheism among Friends. Nontheism is one of many forms of diversity among Friends and is even widely varied under that rubric. Where do we fit in as we seek to be open to the “continuing revelation” of truth, to support all Friends, and to help strengthen Quakerism? Presentation and discussion.
<i>John Hunter</i> |
| | 3:15 PM | Unpacking God. We'll take a look at concepts of and relationships with God. All are welcome. Everyone gets to participate!
<i>Kitty Rush</i> |
| Tuesday, July 4 | 1:30 PM | The Intersection and Impact of Non-Theistic and Traditional Contemplative Practice on Friends Social Transformation Work.
<i>Pamela Boyce Simms</i> |
| | 3:15 PM | Quatheist Mysticism. An exploration of the mystical side of Quaker tradition. All are welcome. Bring your personal stories!
<i>Robin Alpern</i> |
| | 4:30 PM | Drop-In Session with Nontheists. Get acquainted / Conversation. All are welcome. |
| Wednesday, July 5 | 4:30 PM | Meeting for Worship sponsored by Nontheist Friends.. All Friends are invited to join in worship for an hour and, if desired, to stay afterwards for discussion. |
| Thursday, July 6 | 1:30 PM | Faith and Contemplation of the Cosmos. Our understanding of the cosmos has changed greatly in our own lifetimes and certainly from when our “sacred” texts were written. Let's explore the implications of this knowledge for our Quaker faith, starting from selected astronomical photographs and statements from Friends as well as others.
<i>Wallace Watson</i> |
| | 3:15 PM | Who are Quaker Nontheists? The results of some surveys of UK and American unprogrammed Friends were presented in the book, "Godless for God's Sake". The author of that section of the book will describe the results with regard to belief in God and the nature of the God they believe in.
<i>David Rush</i> |
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| Friday, July 7 | 1:30 PM | Intersections: How do Racism, Sexism, etc. Intersect in the Nontheist Friends Community? How do we become a more inclusive and whole community? An exploration in safe space.
<i>Robin Alpern</i> |
| | 3:15 PM | Looking Forward for Quaker Nontheists. An open discussion of what the future looks like in the Society of Friends from the perspective of nontheist Friends. What is the vision?
<i>John Hunter</i> |