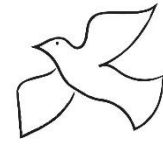




Worship at Berkeley Friends Church
September 26, 2021 11:00 AM – 12:15 PM



Presider - Faith Jansen Brewer

Meditation

Prayer

Hymn - Holy Spirit Come With Power

Holy Spirit, come with power,
Breather into our aching night.
We expect you this glad hour,
Waiting for your strength and light.

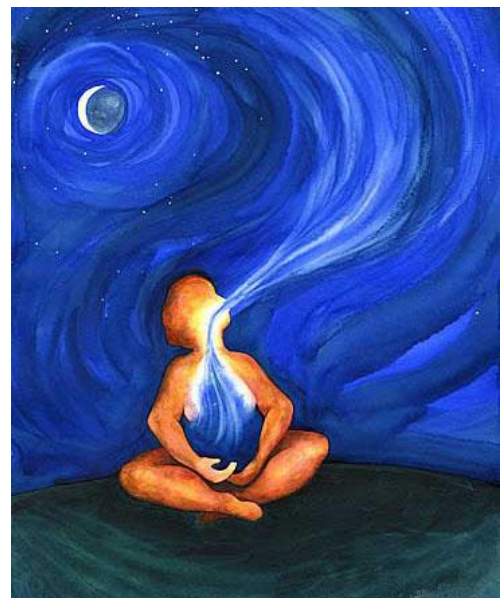
We are fearful, we are ailing,
We are weak and selfish too.
Break upon your congregation,
Give us vigor, life anew.

Holy Spirit, come with fire,
Burn us with your presence new.
Let us as one mighty choir,
Sing our hymn of praise to you.

Let us as one mighty choir
Sing our hymn of praise to you.
Burn away our wasted sadness
And enflame us with your love.
Burst upon you congregation,
Give us gladness from above.

(Refrain) Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord
Your presence, Lord

Holy Spirit, bring your message
Burn and breathe each word anew
Deep into our tired living
Till we strive your work to do.



Teach us love and trusting kindness,
Lend our hand to those who hurt.
Breathe upon your congregation
And inspire us with your word.

(Refrain) - x2

Praises & Petitions

Scripture - James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

Message - "The Salty Community" - Micah Bales



Open Worship

Christ is ministering to us in the silence. Nothing needs to be said, unless there is a clear leading to speak. After a period of centering down, if you feel a leading to speak, please be obedient to it: Speak clearly, loudly, and succinctly. Allow time for a message to settle before another message is offered.

Hymn - If You Believe And I Believe

If you believe and I believe
And we together pray,
The Holy Spirit must come down
And set God's people free

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And set God's people free

Repeat x3



Welcome – Announcements- Offering

God is the Great Giver and has given much to us. The contributions you make are vital to the life of the meeting. Please consider offerings through mail (mark envelope - Attn: Asst. Treasurer) or the Donate Now button on the church's website.

Welcome

We are a welcoming and inclusive congregation. We trust that your heart may be warmed by the Lord's Presence as we worship together. If you have prayer needs or spiritual concerns, please call or email the pastors, Micah Bales and Faith Kelley, or any member of Ministry and Council.

Church Announcements

Sermon by Phone - Listen to the sermon each week on the website or our sermon by phone service. To listen to the sermon on your phone, **call 510-201-9143** at any time to hear each week's message. New sermons are uploaded on Sunday afternoons.

PECSC Committee Meeting

When Sun Sep 26, 2021 1pm – 2:30pm Pacific Time - Los Angeles

Where <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88652033869?pwd=Umh2UFN2UjJjYmJQUoNjRCgWQmY1Zz09> ([map](#))

Who • bfctrustees@gmail.com - organizer

Berkeley Friends Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Bible Study will be **canceled on September 28**. On October 5, it will pick up again discussing the book "A Quaker Prayer Life" by David Johnson."

Quaker Peace Advocacy- September 29 3:30 - 4:30 PM Pacific Daylight Time | ONLINE

Twenty years after the shock and grief of Sept. 11, 2001, its legacy lives on in U.S. policies of perpetual warfare. U.S. presidents continue to use the military force authorizations passed to enable war in Afghanistan and Iraq to justify military action across the globe. This summer, the sustained efforts of FCNL's lobbyists in Washington and our Advocacy Teams around the country helped Congress move closer than ever to repeal of the 2002 Authorization for Use of Military Force (2002 Iraq AUMF). In this event, we'll talk with advocates Pamela Minden and Luke Mayhew who have been part of this persistent, faithful grassroots movement for peace. [Click here for more information.](#)

Sunday October 3 is World Quaker Day! For this Friends World Committee on Consultation event, the theme this year Resilience and Hope: drawing strength from our Quaker faith. That Sunday John Burdick will be preaching and we will have a special focus on Quakerism.

The Renovare Book Club has selected the **Journal of John Woolman** as one of their books for this next session starting **Oct. 4**. Former Quaker Heritage Day speaker Jon Kershner will be facilitating the discussion of that book. Discussion are online live and through chat. Membership costs \$40 without the books. [Find more information here.](#)

Saturday October 16, 10:00-11:30am- BFC Park Get Together at Strawberry Creek Park in picnic area, 1260 Allston Way, between Bancroft Way and Addison St at West St. Enjoy each other in person, the creek and playground. Bring some brunch to munch on.

[Way of the Spirit](#) is offering several online opportunities for spiritual growth this fall. What helps you sort Holy guidance, your unique giftedness, and the clamor of urgent needs around us? How do you discern small ordinary actions and larger commitments? The Quaker-based Way of the Spirit program invites prayer and learning for living Spirit-led every day. Apply now for online offerings:

Oct 2, 10-11am Pacific Time, Information Session, free. Please RSVP

here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkdO6uqTMpH9SgZcO4SIAYMK6DVz3p_mgl

Oct 13, Nov 10, etc, Monthly Reflection Group, second Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30. Supportive, gently-guided small group processes to nurture awareness of the presence and guidance of the Spirit in your everyday life, 6-12 month commitment.

Nov 6 & 20, Dec 4 – Tending Your Spiritual Giftedness:

What is "yours" to do in our fractured and hurting world? It's more important than ever to discern how your unique spiritual giftedness meets the aching needs around us. Additional mini-courses in 2022 will explore obstacles to giftedness, creating a cultures of giftedness, and passing it on to children and youth.

Quaker Parent Support Groups, sponsored by New York Yearly Meeting, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Friends United Meeting, are starting again. They will run mid-November through mid-April with parents across the country meeting over Zoom to talk about what it is like to parent kids in our faith. To participate, you must **register by October 31** [here](#).

Keep up with BFC throughout the week. Join the announcement listserv by emailing Faith at pastor@berkeleyfriendschurch.org and follow us on Facebook.

Praises and Petitions of Berkeley Friends Church September 26, 2021

- **We thank you for hearing our prayers.** That you call us as a community to pray for and with each other, showing love and our reliance on your power in that way.
- We pray for **loved ones** in our circles of care: All those diagnosed with, suffering from, or recovering from serious illnesses including **Liz's classmate Allie, Joe Williams, Dianna's friend Sebastian, Robbie Williams, Marilyn's friend Bruce, Veneita Porter, Donna Bales, Jayne's relative Quincy, Dianna Horne and Stanley Chagala Ngesa.**
- We ask for God's presence with **Friends not able to be with us: Charles Blue and Janice Wells.**
- **We pray for all those who are sick with Covid around the world.** May the vaccine be distributed more quickly and equitably. Give us wisdom and peace as we begin to return to some of our before-time routines. Protect those who can't get vaccinated from infection, particularly from the

Delta strain. As schools continue to grapple with how best to protect their students and staff, please give them wisdom and the resources they need.

- We pray for **Faith K.'s brother, Jacob**, as he begins treatment for skin cancer. May the current infection in his arm pass quickly so that he might start soon. He and his wife, Sarah, are going through so much right now- expecting their first child, Sarah's ongoing health problems, Sarah's mom's cancer, serious colds and a draining and difficult job. We ask that you give them strength, rest and reprieve when it all is too much for them.
- We pray for food pantry volunteer Ele Mao's 89 year old mother, **Grace Mao**, who is in the hospital and not doing very well. Please help those who are caring for her and treating her illness. Give peace and comfort to her family. May Grace feel your loving presence.
- We pray for **Dharma's friend Ahmad** as he continues to try and help his remaining family in Afghanistan. We are so grateful that way has opened for him to obtain emergency visas to Canada for his siblings, their spouses and their children. May they be able to leave soon and safely. We pray for the members of his wife's family who remain. Keep them safe as they are in hiding. May they soon also have in place a way to leave and a new home to come to.
- We pray for those in our community who are traveling this week- **Fred and Louise, Steve and Liz**. May their journeys be full of rest, enjoyment and peace. Bring them back safely to us.
- We often take too long to turn to you, forgetting that you are the power that makes and saves and sustains us. Even when we claim your power, we often do so for our own success and comfort, ignoring your command to use your power on behalf of the weak, the small, and the vulnerable. **Forgive us when we try to hoard you for ourselves and try to control who has access to your love.** Redeem us and transform us, O God. Open our hearts, our lives, and our ministries, that we may become a doorway to your realm.

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