

Staten Island Meeting

of the Religious Society of Friends

July 19, 2025, Clerk's Report to New York Quarterly Meeting

Staten Island Meeting meets for worship twice monthly. We usually meet for worship with a concern for business monthly. These meetings are supplemented by postings on our portal on the Discord platform. Attendance at meeting for worship ranges from 3 to a dozen. The upper floor at ETG Book Café is conducive to meditative worship. In warmer months, one of our two monthly gatherings is at Fort Wadsworth Beach. Those in attendance have overwhelmingly found that location deeply inspiring. All meetings are hybrid.

Nurturing our children is a central part of our Meeting. Children sit with the adults through most of Meeting for Worship. Then, as part of our social hour, adults participate with the children in reading aloud from a range of religious and secular stories with a moral. The readings serve as a point of departure for worship sharing, incorporating the leading of adults and children alike.

We have much appreciated visits from Friends throughout the Quarter, as well as visits from those new to Quakerism. In turn, our own visits to other meetings continue to be a source of fresh insight.

In Friendship,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ted Lochwyn', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Ted Lochwyn, Clerk