

Quakerism 101 – Fall Class 2023

Do you feel drawn to Quakerism and want to learn more?

Friends Meeting of Washington's Fall 2023 Quakerism 101 class will be held on Tuesday evenings, October 3rd through October 31st. All sessions will be zoom only from 7:00-8:30 pm.

This basics class in Quakerism was developed by the Ministry & Worship Committee at FMW to provide introductory information for newcomers and a refresher for other members and attenders. The outline for the fall class is below with a brief overview and facilitators for each session. [Register here.](#)

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About Quakerism 101

Quakerism 101* is an introductory class on Quaker faith and practice. The class consists of five sessions that provide a strong foundation of understanding as you begin your spiritual journey into the rich tradition of the Quakers - Religious Society of Friends.

Q101 Fall Class Outline

| SESSIONS | SCHEDULE | FACILITATORS | OVERVIEW |
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| 1. Quaker Faith & Practice | October 3rd | Rebecca Nelson & Amit Pandya | Quaker faith is derived from divine revelation. This session will discuss the foundation of Quaker faith and spiritual practice. |
| 2. Quaker Worship & Vocal Ministry | October 10th | Debby Churchman & John Bluedorn | Attending a Meeting for Worship is often the first introduction to Quakerism. This session will explore the intentions and experiences of Quaker Worship and Vocal Ministry. |
| 3. Living Your Quaker Testimony | October 17th | Veronica Obodo-Eckblad & Steve Chase | Throughout Quaker history, Friend's beliefs have shown themselves through their actions and current testimonies will be discussed in this session. |
| 4. Quaker History | October 24th | Amit Pandya & Bill Thompson | This session outlines the history of the Quaker movement from its beginnings with George Fox in the 1650s and its evolution over time to the present. |
| 5. When Friends Get Down to Business | October 31st | Grant Thompson | This final class explains: How are we organized? What is the Quaker Process? Why do we do things the way we do? What is my place in the Meeting? What lies ahead for Quakers? |

*The overall concept for the curriculum was inspired by Center Philadelphia Monthly Meeting's Quakerism 101 course, [Central Philadelphia Monthly Meeting](#). Videos from QuakerSpeak have also been used in some of the sessions. <https://quakerspeak.com/>