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# Green Pastures Quarterly Meeting

- July 2021 -

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## Upcoming

### **GPQM Annual Worship and Picnic, 11 a.m., Sunday, August 8, in Battle Creek**

Every year in early August Green Pastures Quarterly Meeting remembers the anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and celebrates peace in the historic Quaker Park in Battle Creek. Quaker Park is at the northwest corner of Fremont and Groveland streets. All are welcome.

GPQM will hold an in-person worship at 11 a.m., August 8, 2021, outdoors at Quaker Park. Worship will be followed by a picnic, with Friends bringing a chair/blanket, food, and beverage. Friends who are able and comfortable sharing food are welcome to, and those who are not are welcome to share others company during the picnic. We will remain attentive to public health advice from the State of Michigan and adjust our plans as necessary.

If you plan to bring food to share, you can sign up at <http://tiny.cc/GPQMPicnic2021> and see what others are bringing.

### **Save the Date: GPQM Business Meeting and Program, Saturday, Sept. 18, 2021**

Details to come.

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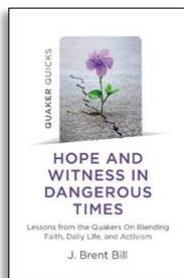
## Maryann Concannon named co-clerk of quarterly meeting

The officers of Green Pastures Quarterly Meeting are pleased to announce that Maryann Concannon of Red Cedar Meeting has agreed to serve as co-clerk of the Quarter for a two-year term, starting July 1, 2021.

Maryann is a recorded member of Red Cedar (RCF). She has been a member of the RCF Worship and Pastoral Care, Hospitality, and now Adult Religious Education committees. Maryann is active in Lake Erie Yearly Meeting as RCF representative and has served on LEYM's Ministry and Nurture Committee for the past year. As a member of Ministry and Nurture, she taught a Bible study course from February to June 2021.



Our usual procedure is to approve new officers at the Annual Meeting in May, but Nominating Committee did not yet have a nominee at that time and Deb Wickering's term as co-clerk was to end on July 1. As provided by the GPQM bylaws (Article III, Section 3.e), if a vacancy arises in any position before the Annual Meeting for business (i.e., next spring), the Nominating Committee shall propose a name of a person to fill the vacancy to the officers for approval. Any person so approved by the officers shall serve in the role until the next business session of the Quarterly Meeting (September 18), at which time "the Quarterly Meeting shall either approve the nomination or make its own appointment to the position."



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## Hear Brent Bill discuss his new book, Wednesday, July 21, 2021

The Kalamazoo Meeting invites Friends from Quarterly to join them at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 21, 2021, for a Zoom presentation by Brent Bill. He will be sharing ideas from his newest book, *Hope and Witness in Dangerous Times: Lessons from the Quakers on Blending Faith, Daily Life and Activism*. Invitations to Zoom will be sent out closer to that evening.

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## Registration open – LEYM Annual Meeting *Healing Through Truth*

This year from Wednesday July 28 - Sunday Aug 1 LEYM Friends will gather online via Zoom for fellowship, worship, to conduct business, and to see how the Spirit moves among us. The Program Committee has prepared a wonderful program, with expanded workshop offerings (nine to choose from) and morning and evening worship opportunities. The keynote speaker is Paula Palmer (Boulder Friends Meeting), who will address "From Truth to Healing with Native Peoples." Paula will also present a workshop entitled "Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change" that has received great reviews in the past. There will be Bible Study, Worship Sharing, Organizational Interest Groups and more. Join in raising the bushel again to see some of the amazing light of Friends at the annual Friendly Talent Show on Saturday night. You won't want to miss it! Register at <https://leym.org/annual/>

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## Let us hear from your meeting

Perhaps you have news to share with other Meetings and Worship Groups in GPQM, or you would like to invite Friends to an upcoming event. Send your news to April Allison (gpqmcommunications@gmail.com) and we will spread the word though Facebook, our web page, and/or this periodic newsletter. We hope to hear from you.

## Find us online

Keep up with happenings throughout GPQM in between our meetings and newsletters. Join our [Facebook group](#). If you would like to download a pdf of GPQM minutes, reports, or other files you can find them at <https://leym.org/gpqm-files/>.

### Green Pastures Quarterly Meeting Officers and Committees

(terms end June 31 of year listed)

#### Co-Clerks (2-year overlapping terms)

Elliott Brannon (AA) (2022)

Maryann Concannon (RC) (2023)

#### Recording Clerk (1-year term)

Joe Mills (K) (2022)

#### Treasurer (3-year term)

Jeff Cooper (AA) (2024)

#### Finance Committee (3-year overlapping terms)

Bob Orr, Clerk (D) (2023)

Mark Donovan (K) (2024)

John Williams (AA) (2022)

#### Nominating Committee (3-year overlapping terms)

Raelyn Joyce (K) (2022)

Peggy Daub (AA) (2023)

Third member TBD

#### Communications Coordinator (1-year term)

April Allison (RC) (2022)

#### Resident Agent (serves without term)

Jeff Cooper (AA)