

## **Bethesda Friends Sunday Meeting for Worship**

Updated as of September 8, 2021.

Given current public health conditions and guidance, Bethesda Friends Meeting (BFM) has decided to suspend holding Meeting for Worship in the meeting house as of 9/5/2021. BFM will offer in-person Meeting for Worship outdoors on the Sidwell Friends Lower School campus.

The arrangements described below reflect best judgments made based on information available in early September 2021. We will keep the community updated on any future changes made in light of changes in conditions.

Bethesda Friends worship together each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Friends can participate remotely via Zoom, or meet in person outdoors on the [Sidwell Friends Lower School campus](#).

• **Participating in worship via Zoom.** Friends wishing to join Meeting for Worship remotely can do so via Zoom. Use the link in the bulleting emailed to you each week or use our [Contact Us form](#).

• **Outdoor worship.** Friends are invited to gather in person for Meeting for Worship [under the breezeway or tent](#) between the Manor House and the Groome Building on the [Lower School campus](#). The following COVID rules apply to those attending in person:

- You must be vaccinated against COVID-19.
- You must wear a mask and maintain social distancing.
- You must self-screen based on COVID symptoms or exposure. You may not attend in-person Meeting for Worship if you have a fever, have COVID symptoms, have tested positive for COVID, or have been exposed in the past 10 days to an individual testing positive for, or displaying symptoms of, COVID.
- You must sign in on a simple sign-in sheet.
- You must notify BFM promptly if you have a positive test after attending in person. BFM will provide notice to others who attended the same meeting of the COVID case (but will not identify the person testing positive).

• **Playground Supervision is in session at this time and until further notice.**

Playground supervision is available for children ages 3 years and up during outdoor Meeting for Worship on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Two paid childcare providers will supervise play on the upper playground and/or under the field tents. Children should wear masks and bring their own water bottles. Restrooms are available.

Please see your bulletin and/or the [BFM website](#) for other worship venues and events.