



2017 FGC Gathering

July 2 to 8, 2017

Niagara University, Niagara Falls, New York



Ministry on Racism Program and People of Color Center St. Vincent's, Room 301

Events will be held in the People of Color Center (St. Vincent's 301) unless otherwise noted



MONDAY, JULY 3, 2017

Reception/ Open House

People of Color Center

1:30PM – 3:00PM

Everyone (all ages, ethnicities and races) is invited to come to see the Center and hear about the events we will be sponsoring this week.

Parents of Children of Color

People of Color Center

3:15PM – 4:15PM

This session will provide an opportunity for Friends parenting Children of Color to share ideas and mutual support. Materials will be made available on racial socialization (for example, preparing your children for what they may experience, providing opportunities for your children to learn about role models of color, etc) and dealing with micro-aggressions and other forms of discrimination.

Gathering for Fellowship - *People of Color Only*

People of Color Center

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Come to the Center to meet and talk with other Friends of Color. We will create our own agenda which may include sharing our experiences as Friends.



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Gathering for Fellowship – European Americans Addressing Racism

St. Vincent's, Room 206

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Our racial justice work is sustained in part by staying connected with others doing this work. Gather with other White Friends (European Americans) who are addressing racism and Whiteness in our lives and in our Quaker communities. Each day we will create a space for sharing some of our journey, our questions and our stories.

TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2017

Reading to Children - *big & small, young & old*

People of Color Center

1:30PM-3:00PM

Come to the People of Color Center to hear stories read from children's books. We read to people of all ages and race/ethnicities from our collection of books about and by people of Color.

Meeting for worship to lift concerns for Transgender Women of Color

Academic, Room 127/129

3:15PM – 4:15PM

Harassment and hate violence are serious realities both for transgender communities, and for people/communities of color. People whose identities intersect with both of these communities are even more likely to experience violence and early death, transgender women of color in particular. Using a video clip and/or a piece of writing (TBD) to get us started, through worship sharing and the help of spirit, Friends will explore various ways in which we are called to live into our peace testimony to help support and affirm the lives of trans women of color.

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People of Color Center

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Gathering for Fellowship – *European Americans Addressing Racism*

St. Vincent's, Room 206

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Tuesday Evening Interest Group – *Assessment on Institutional Racism*

Hosted by the Institutional Assessment Working Group

Dunleavy, Room 127

7:00 PM – 9:00PM

Come hear about FGC's progress toward an institutional assessment and how to get involved in the process.



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Gathering for Fellowship - *People of Color Only*

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9:15PM – 11:00PM

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2017

Gathering for Fellowship - *People of Color Only*

People of Color Center

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Gathering for Fellowship – *European Americans Addressing Racism*

St. Vincent's, Room 206

4:30PM – 5:30PM

THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2017

White Privilege Conference Recap and Discussion

Academic, Room 127/129

1:30PM – 3:00PM

Why does FGC participate in the White Privilege Conference? What successes and struggles have Friends experienced in taking learning from WPC back to their meetings?

What is FGC's Role in Racial Justice Work?

Academic, Room 127/129

3:15PM – 4:15PM

Join us to share and listen in a discussion about how we envision FGC working toward racial justice.

Gathering for Fellowship - *People of Color Only*

People of Color Center

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Gathering for Fellowship – *European Americans Addressing Racism*

St. Vincent's, Room 206

4:30PM – 5:30PM

FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2017

Reading to Children - *big & small, young & old*

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1:30PM – 3:00PM



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Meeting for Worship to Lift Concerns for Young Men of Color

Academic, Room 127/129

3:15PM – 4:15PM

Events during the past years have heightened our awareness of the precarious position of young men of color in our society. They have been killed by vigilantes; they have been stopped and frisked by law enforcement; they are disproportionately imprisoned for violation of drug laws. They disproportionately fill our prisons and jails. We meet together in worship to lift up a concern for the collective violence – direct and structural – we have brought against these young men and to ask Spirit to tender our hearts and open the way for us to witness against these injustices.

Gathering for Fellowship - *People of Color Only*

People of Color Center

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Gathering for Fellowship – *European Americans Addressing Racism*

St. Vincent's, Room 206

4:30PM – 5:30PM