Midlothian Friends Meeting
Meeting for Discernment
March 10, 2024

16 Friends including 3 children were present at the Meeting House and 3 Friends were present on Zoom.

The clerk had the following reflection read to begin the meeting: “[Meeting for Discernment] is about looking for Truth as a body, rather than about our individual senses of truth. We need to enter worshipfully into our meetings for business. We need to wrestle with the issues, to share our glimpses of the Truth as we see it, and then we need to let go and listen deeply until all those glimpses give us a sense of the Truth as a whole. This takes time, patience and surrender.”

Michael Wajda, 2007
BYM 2013 Resource for Faith and Practice

- The clerk reopened a topic from last month that needed further discernment regarding a request from Crystal Ashram, a non-profit group seeking to use our meeting house on the fourth Saturday of the month. The meeting approved a visit by an ad-hoc committee to experience a Crystal Ashram group gathering. The clerk will continue to proceed to get answers on ethical questions, any affiliations, financial issues and other concerns. The ad hoc committee and the clerk will return to meeting for discernment at a later date for a resolution.