**Adult Religious Education Committee Description**

Term: 3 years, starting July 1. Meets as needed. Reports in June. Open to attenders. Co-hosts Friendly First in February along with Worship & Ministry.

The purpose of the Adult Religious Education (ARE) committee is to enrich the spiritual life of the Meeting through the Adult First Day Program with topics relevant to Quaker values. Programs are intended to inform, inspire, and educate. Presenters may be members or attenders of the Meeting, visiting Quaker leaders, educators, or other prominent speakers.

The work of the ARE Committee is to

- create a calendar of speakers/programs during the school year (September through May),
- find space on the calendar for NFM committees (upon request),
- invite individuals to share their spiritual journeys (2-3 each year),
- identify speakers based on the interests of the Meeting,
- coordinate speaker logistics,
- confirm details of needed AV support, and
- publicize in local papers.

There are no ARE programs during the months of June, July, and August when Meeting for Worship gathers at 10:00am instead of 11:00am.