

Loving Minute of Support
for
Trans, Genderqueer, Gender-Nonconforming, Non-Binary and Intersex People
in Our Community and Beyond

Central Philadelphia Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends seeks to be an open and affirming faith community. We welcome all who come as spiritual seekers to join in worship with us and fully participate in our shared activities.

The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) has long been called to live out a testimony of equality and respect for all. We recognize and embrace the Light within every individual.

We commit ourselves to honoring and welcoming the gender identity and expression of each person, as determined by that person.

We affirm that gender expression and identity may be fluid and changeable.

We strive to provide loving care as a community to people of all genders, including transgender, genderqueer, cisgender, gender non-conforming and intersex persons, their families and friends.

At the same time, we are called to stand for justice and affection for people of all genders in the face of past, present and future violent and dehumanizing actions within our city, state, nation, and world. Particularly, we stand with the most vulnerable among us.

We affirm our belief in the Spirit-bestowed gifts each one of us carries. To fully express these gifts, we need to come to each other as our whole selves, with gender identity and expression forming a vital aspect of that wholeness. Only then can we witness to God's love, pain, and power in one another.

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