

State of the Meeting from Macon Worship Group

Macon Worship Group, under the care of Atlanta Friends Meeting, rented space from High Street Unitarian Universalist Church in Downtown Macon from spring of 2018 until spring of 2020 when the pandemic caused the group to let the lease expire and meet exclusively on Zoom through the present time (winter 2021). We shifted our meetings to weeknights to since AFM began offering virtual meetings on weekends, allowing Macon attendees the opportunity to participate with Atlanta. We also decided to decrease the duration of our meetings slightly but increase the frequency, and now we are meeting weekly on Fifth Days (Thursdays).

We have continued to hold monthly Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business as well as monthly public educational sessions on a wide variety of subjects featuring guest presenters. Attendance averages 5-8 for most regular meetings, and the clerk maintains a weekly email newsletter and Facebook presence.

Macon is pleased to be able to accept online donations now via an account set up through AFM. We have minimal expenses at the moment (i.e., Zoom and website fees), and all expenses are covered. As more people become vaccinated in 2021, we may consider options for meeting together outdoors as well as online.

Macon appreciates the continued support from the larger AFM community and SAYMA.