

Fairhope Unitarian Fellowship May 31, 2026

Welcoming Music, 10:45am: “Down to the River to Pray,” “What a Friend We Have in Jesus,” “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot,” “Study War No More,” “George Fox,” and “Simple Gifts,” performed by The Back Porch Folk Singers

Meeting, 11:00am

Greetings and Call to Gather: Mary Anderson, FUF President

Welcome

Announcements

Chalice Lighting: Jennifer Lyon

Collection Selection: “This Little Light of Mine,” performed by the Back Porch Folk Singers

1st Unitarian Principle: The inherent worth and dignity of every person.

Reading: Tom Czekanski

Moment of Silence

Introduction of Program

Program: Carol Motley – “Quakers in Fairhope: A 100+ Year History”

Dr. Motley will share the origins of the Fairhope Friends (Quaker) Meeting on Fairhope Avenue, just down the street from FUF. The meeting and its historic building have been part of the community for over 100 years and carry a rich history. Her talk will include the story of the meeting’s founding, the building itself, and a story of Conscientious Objection. She will also reflect on her personal understanding of what it means to be a Quaker and welcomes questions and conversation.

Dr. Carol Motley attends the Fairhope Friends Quaker Meeting. She is a retired family physician who spent most of her career in academic medicine, including 12 years at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine. Recently, she presented at the Annual Meeting of the Alabama Historical Association on the legacy of Quakers in Fairhope. She lives in Spanish Fort with her two basset hounds.

This Week at FUF – May 31 - June 7, 2026

Sunday, May 31

9:45am—Silent Meditation

10:45am—Prelude Music

11:00am—Program Begins

Coffee Hour to follow

Monday, June 1

2:00-4:00pm—Open Uke Jam

Tuesday, June 2

9:00am—Men’s Group, Kind Café in Fairhope

Wednesday, June 3

3:00-4:30pm—Back Porch Folk Singers Practice

Thursday, June 4

9:30am—Non-Fiction Book Group

5:00-7:00pm—Thursday Group (contact Michael Patrick for current meeting location)

Friday, June 5

10:00am-12:00pm—Hall Reserved (piano tuning)

12:30pm-2:30pm—Hall Reserved (ESIC)

Next Week’s Program June 7, 2026

Scott McNair - “Indivisible Baldwin County: Grassroots in Action”

Indivisible Baldwin County began as a way for local residents to come together and speak out on issues impacting their community by organizing rallies and public demonstrations across the county, including the “No Kings” protests. The group felt it was important for local residents to have a dissenting voice, under the philosophy that “silence is compliance.”

Meanwhile, the immigrant community has suffered greatly amid increased ICE enforcement, and Baldwin County has been among the hardest-hit areas in the nation, with more than 3,000 individuals being detained, arrested, or deported since January of last year.

As a result, Indivisible has become increasingly focused on supporting immigrants and their families within the community. The organization monitors ICE activity in the county, collects donations for mutual aid and support to impacted families, and offers assistance to those choosing to self-deport.

Scott McNair will talk about how Indivisible supports the community and will discuss practical ways that others can get involved and help.

Scott McNair is a member of Indivisible Baldwin County, a grassroots organization dedicated to resisting authoritarianism and giving local citizens a voice. A key focus of the organization has been providing mutual aid and support to members of the immigrant community affected by increased ICE enforcement during recent years.