## Ministry and Counsel of Concord Friends Meeting Report to Meeting for Business March 13, 2021

## **Fourth Sunday Programs:**

- a. March: During the work of Nominating this year, the committee was impressed with the many gifts our members and attenders have. Yet many are unaware of their own gifts.

  Nom Com would like to lead a Fourth Sunday program of showing gratitude for our gifts.
- b. April: Mindful mortality Writing our spiritual journey/ celebration of life (First Draft) we are developing a program around making a draft of a summary of your life's journey. Details to follow, but as we discussed what was in our membership records and the suddenness of loss that can happen, we realized we would love to know more about each other's lives.
- c. May: Apology to Native Americans by Ad Hoc group will present a program on this topic. More TBA
- d. June: FUM policy coming up in NEYM. Difficult conversations. How do we talk to those we disagree with? We are developing a program to take the next step in this long conversation. We have been in disagreement over Friends United Meeting (FUM's) personnel policy of excluding non-celibate LGBT individuals from service in the organization. We also celebrate the good work they do in the wider world. How do we resolve this tension?