

US Grail Council – F2F Agenda



The US Grail Council

Vision: Called by our spiritual values, The Grail envisions a world of peace, justice and renewal of the earth, brought about by women working together as catalysts for change.

Mission Goals: The Grail in the U.S. empowers women to work for world transformation by: building bridges among diverse faith traditions and spiritual paths, advancing peace, justice and a world free from military dominance, fostering international exchange and solidarity, challenging economic systems that put at risk the most vulnerable, especially women and children, creating communities for a sustainable future, celebrating the arts as a means for personal and societal transformation

Resolutions: To become antiracist internally and externally viewing all our activities through an antiracist lens. Rebuilding the Grail’s spiritual core in community.

Dates: 4.21.21; 4.22.21; 4.24.21 Zoom each day

Present: Judith DeFour-Howard, April Goering, Lucy Jones, Laura Kaplan, Thanh Nguyen, Deborah Sullivan, Terrie Puckett (Executive Director, ex-officio), Barbara Stanbridge, IHM (Facilitator)

Time	Topic	Focus Question	Desired Outcome	Preparation
Wed. 4.21.21	Meditation/ Reading	Can we let go of all our assumptions and see the Grail of the future?	Be open to the Spirit	Come with an <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • open mind (suspend habitual judgementalism) • open heart (shifting perspective from your viewpoint to the viewpoint of others) • open will (letting go of preconceived outcomes and let come what wants to emerge from the future)
10 – 12 am	GA	Can we select the best planning team, intentionally anti-racist and based on council & member priorities?	Develop an effective plan to move forward toward GA.	Reflect on best GA experiences and the skills needed for GA planning.
2 – 4 pm	Mission Fund	What bylaws and policy changes will be needed?	Determine next steps for approval and implementation.	<u>Study</u> the Mission Fund Document

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Thursday 4.22.21 10 – 12 am	Community Ethos & Spiritual Core	Given the gifts we have, what is the world calling us to now?	We begin to see other possibilities for the future Grail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring a candle to light during the discussion. • How has Covid and our spiritual crisis that predates the pandemic challenged and changed our way of being in community? • How has our diminishment in membership and challenges in finances affected thoughts on holding a place of our own? • Reflect on how using technology has changed us.
Saturday 4.24.21 10 – 12 am	Grail Listening Forums	What do we need to do before presenting this to membership? Facilitator – Focus -- Expectations	Identify Clear Next Steps and Plan for Action	Come prepared to speak from their hearts, listen to each other, and begin the process of opening to healing. Read all the materials and notes.
2 – 4 pm	Restructuring	What are the ramifications? How will this further the mission of the US Grail?	Identify Clear Next Steps	Study the latest ideation
	Last meeting with Barbara	What are our stories about Barbara? What are her stories about us?	Thanks and best wishes	Can we do this with wine?

Next Council Meetings:

- Monday, May 24 at 10:00 am EDT
- Monday, June 28 at 10:00 am EDT
- Monday, July 26 at 10:00 am EDT
- Monday, August 23 at 10:00 am EDT