

PFLAG Madison

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Meeting Place:

Friends Meeting House, 1704 Roberts Court, Madison, WI

Meeting:

2:00 to 4:00 PM, 3rd Sunday of the month, Sept. to May

National PFLAG Website: <http://www.pflag.org>



President: Jeanne Williams

Treasurer: Paul Wertsch

Board Members: Sandy Feria, Michael Rosenman, and Jackie Wealti

Founded in 1973, PFLAG is the first and largest organization dedicated to supporting, educating, and advocating for LGBTQ+ people and their families.

Next Meeting - Sunday, November 17, 2024

The Rev. Jo Wiersema (they/them) is the pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Oregon, Wisconsin. They were ordained as the first transgender clergy person in the local presbyterian governing body in September 2024. They plan to discuss their experience as a LGBTQIA+ person in Christian ministry and the role of Christianity in the healing of LGBTQIA+ spiritual trauma.

Time & Location:

2:00 - 3:00PM Guest Speaker

3:00 - 4:00PM Optional sharing/support time

1704 Roberts Ct. Madison

Overflow parking is free and available at the Madison Public Library, 1705 Monroe St. Everyone is welcome!



PFLAG Meeting Summary - October 20, 2024

Michail Takach was the speaker for our October meeting. Michail is a historian, author, reporter and communications professional. He is currently the Board Chair with the Wisconsin LGBTQ History Project. The History Project is hoping to visit all 11 PFLAG chapters in Wisconsin. Michail shared a powerful power point presentation titled Heritage Unhidden - The Connective Power of LGBTQ History. The presentation traced Wisconsin's rich history of LGBTQ+ people from the beginning to the present. The mission of the Wisconsin LGBTQ History Project is to reconnect Wisconsin with its hidden LGBTQ history and heritage. The purpose of the project is

to research, document, celebrate and elevate local LGBTQ history. For further information about the History Project visit wislgbthistory.com.

Book & Movie Suggestions

Will & Harper, documentary, Will Ferrell & trans friend, Harper, travel across the US on Netflix The Dads, short documentary,

Matthew Shepard's dad & 5 men on a fishing trip talk about their children on Netflix

Gender Euphoria, stories of Joy from Trans, Non-Binary & Intersex Writers available on Audio-book https://www.audible.com/pd/B0CN7JY32R?source_code=ASSORAP0511160006&share_location=pdp

If you have suggestions on references, reading material or movies, please let us know: pflagmadison@gmail.com.

Perfect Harmony Chorus Winter Concert

“Glitz & Good Cheer - A Winter Spectacular” Saturday, December 7, 2024, 7:30PM and Sunday, December 8m 2024, 3:00PM at Christ Presbyterian Church, 944 E. Gotham St. Madison. More information and tickets available at www.PerfectHarmonyChorus.org

In-Person Meetings Resume

We're excited about the topics for 2024-25 that have been scheduled so far and encourage your ideas. Meetings will be September 15, October 20, November 17, December 15, January 19, February 16, March 16, and May 18. Because of Easter, there will be no meeting April 20.

Speaker meetings are held from 2:00 - 3:00PM followed by an optional hour of sharing/support time at 1704 Roberts Ct, Madison. Overflow parking free and available at the Madison Public Library, 1705 Monroe St. Everyone is welcome and we looking forward to see you.

Membership Renewal

Annual dues, \$30 per person or \$40 per couple are due October 1, 2024. See the membership form at

<https://www.pflag-madison.org/MembershipCurrent.pdf>

and submit payment online through our website “donate” button or send your payment directly to our Treasurer, Paul Wertsch, 4221 Venetian Ln, Madison, WI 53718.

When submitting payments using PayPal or credit cards, please provide the following information via email to Paul Wertsch, Treasurer, pwertsch@gmail.com:

- Your complete name, mailing address for a tax receipt, and email address to receive the monthly newsletter.
 - The amount of money you submitted either as membership (\$30 individual/\$40 family) or as a donation.
- Email pwertsch@gmail.com if you have not received a confirmation of past transaction.

“As we express our gratitude,
we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words,
but to live by them.”

John F. Kennedy