

## **EPF of Ithaca Area Minutes September 24, 2018**

**Attendees:** Joey Cardamone, Linda Gaither, Ed and Nancy Siemon, Cathy Lewis, Frank Baldwin, Blythe Baldwin

**Opening Prayer:** Blythe opened with a prayer

### **Social Justice Minute:**

- Blythe brought a news article about immigrants separated from their parents. This situation has continued in US. Lasting damage occurs in children separated from parents; a study done in Finland after WWII confirmed this.
- Palestine is suffering apartheid. Trump administration has cut all aid to Palestinians civilians. Note: Schumer and Cuomo support this action.

**CJP/JVP and EPF Meeting:** Next Sunday, September 30, Chapman Room, 3 – 5 PM

- Readings in “Why Palestine Matters” include the Forward, Introduction, chapter 1 and 2 and pp 37-39.
- The goal of the meeting is to plan an event by the end of October.
- Snacks: hot cider- Linda; brownies- Nancy; cookies- Cathy
- Linda and Cathy are facilitators the first hour of the meeting.

**Nuclear Disarmament:** Committee of city council screens resolutions and passed on to the council a resolution opposing nuclear weapons. It will be on Ithaca city council agenda on October 3, 6 PM.

**Tompkins County Jail:** Presbyterians want to start a prison ministry. Joey is liaison.

Next Meeting: Monday, October 22, 2018, 5 PM. at. St. John's; in the Chapman room. (Note: this date was later changed to October 29, 2018.)

Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Siemon