

Kirk Happenings

May 24, 2020

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REOPENING ADVISORY COMMITTEE NEWS

The Reopening Advisory Committee is studying when and how to reopen the Gayton Kirk. The committee will make a recommendation for the Session at its June 15 meeting. The Reopening Advisory Committee will look at options including continue with online options, move to a live-stream service, conduct an outdoor service, or to begin a phasing back in of indoor services. Many factors will be studied to determine the safest option for staff and congregants.

The committee would like input to know what participants need to feel safe returning to church. This could include a thorough cleaning of the church, social distancing with masks and six-foot limitations, or not coming back until a vaccine is available. *Please send your input or any questions to Debbie Mueller at dmueller14@gmail.com.*

THANK YOU. Thank you so much for continuing to keep your offerings current. We continue to stay within budget with income and expenditures. Your support of The Kirk is truly awesome!

Since we are depositing the offering in the bank twice a month, our total on page 4 does not reflect your contributions waiting to go to the bank. Karen assures me that contributions are continuing to come in regularly. Thank you! The next Kirk Happenings report will be an accurate reflection of May's total income.

You can mail your pledges and offerings to the Kirk; or you can arrange through your bank's Bill Pay to send your check to

The Gayton Kirk

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Offerings can also be made through the PayPal account on our website www.thegaytonkirk.org

Blessings on everyone,
Janet

SUNDAY ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

2 PM PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY Sunday School Class

contact Bob Chesnut chesnutra@gmail.com .

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS Jim Collins

singlemalt23059@gmail.com **begins later in May.**

GABRIEL'S PIANO

If you would like to have an enjoyable experience listening to Gabriel's music, you can find it on YouTube using this link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVo-JWu0FCIJLTxOWIdumHw/featured?view_as=subscriber

APPOINTMENTS and CALLS

Dear Friends,

I realize that since I am not physically at The Kirk it has changed our way of communicating. We used to be able to talk over things in my study with just a half hour drop in and chat. I do want to be available for conversations, so, now what?

Let's try this (and if it doesn't work, we can change our plan): If you have a pastoral emergency, call me at 804-358-6911. For those non-emergency important conversations, what if I set aside time on Wednesday afternoons for phone calls? During the week you could send me a text or an email letting me know you want to talk, and I'll make sure we have time set aside to do so.

Thank you for helping me learn how to stay in touch while we are physically away from each other.

Blessings,
Janet

PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN see **page 5**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

If you would like to attend a service please email zoom.gaytonkirk@gmail.com and ask to be included in the desired worship service, class, or gathering.

SUNDAY, May 24

8:30 AM ZOOM Celtic Worship Service

Zoom will be hosted by Jim Collins.

11:00 AM ZOOM Worship Service

Zoom will be hosted by Marilyn Johns and Janet James will put the recorded service on YouTube.

1:00 PM YouTube Service posted

2:00 PM ZOOM Progressive Christianity

Zoom will be hosted by Marilyn Johns.

5:00 PM ZOOM Jazz Vespers

Zoom will be hosted by Marilyn Johns.

MONDAY, MAY 25

11:00 AM ZOOM Coffee & Scripture

Zoom will be hosted by Janet James.

TUESDAY, MAY 26 FELLOWSHIP

11-12 AM ZOOM Coffee Klatch for everyone

Zoom will be hosted by Janet James.

7 PM ZOOM Book Group reading/discussing

News of the World by Paulette Jiles

Zoom will be hosted by Janet James.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

10:00 AM KERYGMA – Overview of the New Testament

Zoom will be hosted by Bland Weaver.

11:30 AM ZOOM Spirituality Connections

Zoom will be hosted by Janet James.

7:45 PM ZOOM Spirituality Connections

Zoom will be hosted by Janet James.

THURSDAY, MAY 28 FELLOWSHIP

4 -6 PM ZOOM W(h)ine Time

Zoom will be hosted by Janet James.

IMPORTANT NOTES

If you attend any of the services on Sunday, we are having holy communion. Please set apart a piece of bread and a small amount of wine or grape juice or water before the service starts so you don't have to jump up and get it mid-service.

Some of you may also want to light a candle at the beginning and extinguish it at the end of the service.

Offering and Attendance Report May

Offering to Date \$8,061.38

(next week will include 2 weeks of offerings since we are now making deposits bi-weekly)

Amount Needed Monthly \$21,514.92

Attendance week of 5/17/2020

8:30 AM Celtic Worship – 19

11 AM Worship – 0; Zoom Failure

5 PM Jazz Vespers – 19 plus one cat

YouTube Views – 0; Bad Tech Day

May

Birthdays and Anniversaries

If your name is not on the birthday or anniversary list, please contact the church office. 804-741-5254

- 2nd Shelly Lord(B)
- 3rd Grace Gray(B)
- 4th Kevin Riley(B)
- 5th Patrick Crady(B);
Rebecca Crady(B)
- 6th Jeff Boyea(B); Ella Simmons(B);
Gabriel Lima(b)
- 12th Louw and Urte Pienaar(A)
- 13th Melissa Harmon(B)
- 14th Troy Barham(B)
- 15th Deborah Denson(B)
- 16th Betty Meador(B)
- 19th Paul Hayden(B)
- 25th Bland and Joy Weaver(A)
- 26th Joe and Patti McCloskey(A)
- 27th Ray and Lorrie Carver(A)

PRAYERS

Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks only. (Please notify the church office if you wish to extend your request for two more weeks.) Due to the respect of privacy we will no longer use last names except for death notices.

Prayers of peace for those in military service and their families:

Mike & Megan Dumas, Rob Blackwell

Ryan Stephenson, Aaron Gervolino, Travis Queen, Robbie Johnston, Taylor Wilson - Son of Susan Bell, Katie Queen, Kevin Lyons (in Afghanistan), Quinton Robertson, Josh Welborn (in Germany), Ben Walsh, Sabrina F.B. Dias (Iraq)

For Continued Health Issues: Kasci, Ria, BJ, Sally, Harriet, Charlie, Lorette, Peggy, JP, Ginny, Harriet, Charlie, Toni, Sharon, Douglas, Frances, Smitty, Douglas, Sandy, Cathleen, Tim, Gretchen, Sandra, Susan, Pat, Valerie, Sandra B, Rhonda, Beth, Barbara, Kay, Lois, Sharon, Dorothy, Linda C.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

For Lyn's mother who resides at Westminster Canterbury Prayers for Hunter's brother, Morton, needs additional treatment
Michael; prayers for pain relief and healing
Karen W.; prayers that she will have relief from pain soon
Pam, ability to withstand chemo
Prayers for the world to be rid of this illness; for everyone to remove fear with FAITH
For John, Sandra's husband, who is home from hospital;
For Patti, Joe, and Alex as they grieve the death of Pen for Rebecca during the furlough
For Chris and Krista and their children as Chris has COVID19
Tony S. needs prayers as he recovers from COVID19
John and Sandra as John is home from the hospital
Sharon's mother for peace
Mark healing from surgery and beginning of treatment
For Terri recovering from surgery
Winston's healing from infection
Mary, recovery from a stroke on Tuesday night.
David, Beth's husband, having open heart surgery Monday

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PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM AND THE GAYTON KIRK

Because we want to ensure financial stability and provide support for The Gayton Kirk personnel, in late March/early April the Administration Committee on behalf of the Gayton Kirk Session applied for a PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM loan which is a part of the United States Government CARES Act. We applied for \$30,000 which would have been the allotted amount: two and one-half months of payroll expenses. We received a loan of \$27,065.00 at 1.0% fixed rate for April 18, 2020 - April 18, 2022.

The loan is to be used for the eight weeks following the date it is made available to The Kirk.

To be eligible for forgiveness, the loan requires that no staff be furloughed during the eight week period.

This loan can be used for

- Payroll costs, including benefits;
- Utilities, for which service began before February 15, 2020.
- Salary, wages, commissions, or tips
- Employee benefits including costs for vacation, parental, family, medical, or sick leave; allowance for separation or dismissal; payments required for the provisions of group health care benefits including insurance premiums; and payment of any retirement benefit;

We will be able to request loan forgiveness from the lender if we

- verify the number of full-time equivalent employees and pay rates, as well as the payments on eligible mortgage, lease, and utility obligations.
- certify that the documents are true and that you used the forgiveness amount to keep employees and make eligible mortgage interest, rent, and utility payments.
- At the end of the eight week period, we are eligible to request loan forgiveness
- The lender must make a decision on the forgiveness within 60 days.
- If we do not get it forgiven, we have two years to pay it back with the outstanding balance accruing at 1% interest.