

Kirk Happenings

Week of May 8, 2022

The Gayton Kirk PCUSA 11421 Gayton Rd Henrico VA 23238
P.O. Box 29635, Henrico, VA 23242

Upon the last performance of the 3 Penny Theatre

Dear Ray,

It has been an honor and a privilege for The Gayton Kirk to be home for the 3 Penny Theatre.

Over the years we have celebrated Christmases with Charles Dickens, participated in the regional Acts of Faith Festivals, enjoyed sharing local talent on the river city radio show, and delighted in several of Mark Twain's stories.

3 Penny has lifted our hearts and taken us into places of thoughtful deliberation.

I am especially grateful for the partnership with our congregation. The respect and collegiality between 3 Penny and The Kirk has been a joy.

Situations that would have been difficult and possibly miserable for others have been occasions for collaboration and laughter for us.

What a wonderful gift to have been here, in this place, at this time, and to have experienced quality theatre.

Thank you for choosing us. We give thanks to God for such a gift.

Janet James, pastor

THE GAYTON KIRK WEEKLY CALENDAR WITH LINKS

SUNDAY MAY 8

8:30 AM Celtic Worship Service **in-person** [ZOOM](#) hosted by Marilyn Johns

9:45 AM Outside Worship Service **in-person**

11:00 AM Worship Service **in-person** [ZOOM](#) hosted by Marilyn Johns and [Live Streaming](#)

5:00 PM Jazz Vespers **in-person** [ZOOM](#) hosted by Marilyn Johns and [Live Streaming](#)

5:45 PM [ZOOM](#) Jazz Vespers discussion hosted by Marilyn Johns.

MONDAY MAY 9

10:00 AM [ZOOM](#) Wisdom Class hosted by Janet J.

11:00 AM [ZOOM](#) Coffee & Scripture

1:30 PM Creative Expressions **in-person** hosted by Sandra O.

6:30 PM All Committees Meetings

~~7 PM Art by Hand – **in-person** – meets on the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month.~~

TUESDAY MAY 10

10:30 AM Chair Yoga – **in-person** hosted by Robin R.

1:00 PM Bridge – **in-person** hosted by Ellen W.

1:00 PM Learn to Play Bridge – **in-person** hosted by Tina B.

WEDNESDAY MAY 11

9:45 AM *A New Kind of Christianity* by Brian McLaren
facilitator Bland Weaver

11 AM Spirituality “To Dance with God”– **in-person** & [ZOOM](#) hosted by Janet J

6 PM Theology on Tap – **in person** at Mi Jalisco Mexican Restaurant

7 PM Taize Service – **in-person**

THURSDAY MAY 12

10:00 AM Tai Chi **in-person** instructed by Steve Sawyer

1:30 PM A Study of the Gospel of MARK **in-person** facilitated by Hunter Hill

7:30 PM Richmond Allied Voices presents RWC: Resilience Concert

WORSHIP SERVICES

CELTIC WORSHIP SERVICE



Sundays 8:30 AM
Music. Scripture. Discussion.
Holy Communion.
[zoom](#) and in-person

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE

with Holy Communion
outdoor sanctuary
weather permitting
Sundays 9:45 AM



11AM WORSHIP SERVICE

special music. scripture. sermon.
prayers.



Sundays in-person and
[Facebook Live.](#)

JAZZ VESPERS

at the Gayton Kirk

featuring the Tommy Witten Trio

in-person
[ZOOM](#)
&
[Live Streaming](#)

Taize Prayer Service

sung prayer and candlelight



Wednesdays in-person only at 7 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS:

FAITH AND FILM FOR **MAY 19th**

(this is a change in date)

“Spotlight” is the 2015 Academy Award winning film that tells the gripping true story of The Boston Globe’s Pulitzer Prize winning expose of widespread sexual abuse among the Catholic clergy of the Boston Archdiocese. It features a star-studded cast including, among many others, Michael Keaton, Rachael McAdams, and Stanley Tucci.

Available on Netflix, Amazon Prime, YouTube and elsewhere. Join us for discussion at 7 PM on **Thursday, MAY 19th** using this Zoom

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84127275813?pwd=QU9GUE9JTHJoSSs2NXlJVnFMbmtQTO9> Meeting ID: 841 2727 5813

WARNING: This film covers subject matter and includes a few scenes with explicit language that may be disturbing to viewers.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

The Kiwanis Club of Tuckahoe volunteers at Feed More two Tuesdays each month from 9:00 to 12:00.

The next volunteer dates are 5/3/2022 AND 5/17/2022
Contact [Bland Weaver](#) for details if you want to volunteer.

Tuckahoe Kiwanis

welcomes the neighborhood to

Spring Fling

Sat May 28 10am -3pm

at The Gayton Kirk 11421 Gayton Rd 23238

kids' art fun. games for all ages. live music.

dunking booth. **free activities.** lotsa fun.

hamburgers & hot dogs. snow cones. popcorn. cotton candy



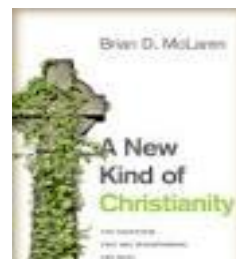
2:30pm Animal Parade (best dressed contest)
& Blessing of the Animals



A New Kind of Christianity by Brian McLaren

New Class starting
Wednesday, April 27, 2022
9:45 AM to 11AM

Facilitated by Bland
Weaver



Come One Come All

Tuckahoe Kiwanis is sponsoring the **Spring Fling** to be held at The Kirk on **Saturday May 28, 2022**

I am responsible for the Bake Table and would like your help. With help from the wives and friends of the Tuckahoe Kiwanis, lets fill the table with many goodies to sell.

All proceeds will be going to our community school, Ruby Carver Elementary School right on Lauderdale Dr.

Please call me with information about your baked goods so I can get a sign made before the event.

I am excited to be able to do this for the Kiwanis and for the School. I know I can count on the Kirk to help with some of the most delicious desserts around.

Thanks in advance for your help,
Janice Baldwin

804.814.1667



The Gayton Kirk Book Club
meets monthly
4th Tuesday at 7PM via
[ZOOM](#)
Book to read for May 24th:

Practically Divine
by Becca Stevens



Theology on Tap
with Kevin Riley & Ray Carver

Wednesday, May 11, 2022
Starts at 6PM

In Person at
Mi Jalisco Mexican Restaurant in the
Gleneagles shopping center at 10482
Ridgefield Parkway

**Come and enjoy good food
and good discussion!!!**



Richmond Allied Voices
Presents
RWC: Resilience Concert



Thursday, May 12th 7:30-8:30 PM

Rather than selling tickets at a set price, we're
asking only for donations at this event!

AN ADVENTURE IN PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY

This is a stimulating, inspiring conference, now in its
18th year, held on beautiful St. Simons Island, GA,
this year from May 27 to 29.

Can't participate in person? Watch the Southern
Lights Conference from the comfort of your own
home on your timetable! Hear keynote sessions with
Bran McLaren, Anthea Butler, Kaitlin Curtice, Diana
Butler Bass, and the music of Odessa Settles, Solveig
Liethaug, and Ken Medema. The live virtual
conference will begin on May 27 at 1:00 PM, and you
will have access to participate in and re-watch all the
main sessions and the Saturday night concert
through July 15, 2023! Only \$100 for two people by
Zoom.

For more information: [Southern Lights](https://southernlightsconference.com)
southernlightsconference.com

Please help young readers this Summer!

During the month of May **RVA Reads** is collecting children's books for Summer

(for 4 years-old through early elementary school)

*Love to shop at
thrift stores with
inexpensive
children's books?*

*Is there a little library in your
neighborhood with an
abundance of children's books?*

*Do you, or your
kids, have gently
used children's
books they no
longer read?*

**Donate books to the RVA Collection Box
in the Narthex (entrance)**

At The Gayton Kirk through May

these will be given to young readers along with new books

RVA Reads is a program of Richmond Public Schools

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Do You Want to Be a Part of Transforming Cultures of Violence into Communities of Peace

The Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, a mission of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

and a program of Compassion, Peace and Justice Ministries,

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/peacemaking/>

in urgent response to the overwhelming culture of violence in our world is:

Working toward... Transforming cultures of violence into communities of peace.

Responding with the community to...

- Inspire new approaches to active peacemaking.
- Equip God's people to be compassionate and prophetic peacemakers.
- Connect communities of peace to learn from each other in shared accompaniment and take action together for the transformation of the world.

The Presbytery of the James has opportunities for peacemaking through the PRESBYTERIAN PEACEMAKER group.

If you would like to represent The Gayton Kirk in this effort please contact Mission Chair, Linda Smiley,

lmcms12@gmail.com and tell her of your interest.



MINUTE FOR MISSION: **BREAD FOR THE WORLD**

HOW MANY WAYS ARE THERE TO HELP REDUCE HUNGER? WE CAN ...

1. Donate money and/or items
2. Volunteer our service
3. Educate ourselves
4. Advocate
5. Pray

Moving towards a more wholistic approach to the mission program over the past few years, the Kirk has included a couple of advocacy groups that complement the direct service organizations we support. One of these is a Christian organization called *Bread for the World*, a group which has connections with 50 diverse Christian denominations and is supported by over 4,000 congregations in the US. Because churches and other charitable organizations can meet only a fraction of the need, *Bread for the World* gives Christians in the U.S. a strong and united voice to encourage and support government policies to relieve hunger both here and abroad.

As the year progresses, the Mission committee will share opportunities to be personally involved in the great work of compassion for those in need through the various hunger, shelter, international and youth missions our church supports.

ABOUT OUR GROUPS AND CLASSES

SUN 4PM-4:45PM DRUMMING AT The Gayton Kirk *will resume soon!*

A healthy way to connect with the heartbeat of the earth, the place of peace within, and an opportunity to make neighbors your friends. We meet inside when the weather is not conducive to drumming outside.



MONDAYS 10 - 11AM BIBLICAL WISDOM LITERATURE CLASS

[ZOOM](#) Hosted by Linda S. Using the Great Courses curriculum, we will examine Biblical Wisdom Literature and discuss our findings.

MONDAYS 11AM – NOON SCRIPTURE AND COFFEE

[ZOOM](#) Hosted by Janet James. Join us on Zoom for a lively discussion of the Biblical passage for the upcoming sermon.

MONDAYS 1:30 – 3:00PM CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS

Teacher Sandra O'Neill. in-person. Currently working on acrylics. More info? oneillstudio@comcast.net

MONDAYS 7 - 8:30PM ART BY HAND Knitting and Handiwork *meets on the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month.*

in-person. The Blue Room. Hosted by Liz B. We invite all Knitters, crochet-ers, cross stitch-ers, needlepoint-ers, or hand quilters to join. If you want to learn, people are available to teach you.



TUESDAYS 10:30 – 11:30AM CHAIR YOGA

Robin Ricketts, instructor. This *weekly* class enjoys the benefit of yoga's stretching and breathing exercises. Participants are urged to exercise within their comfort level. Persons of all ages and abilities are welcome. During this time, wearing a mask is optional; we are not requiring the wearing of masks!

TUESDAYS 1:00PM BEGINNING BRIDGE

Ellen Welthy and Tina Bechtle, facilitators. Individuals with some knowledge of bridge are welcome to come, play, and further their knowledge of the game on Tuesdays.

TUESDAYS 1:00PM— LEARN HOW TO PLAY BRIDGE *NEW!*

Tina Bechtle, Facilitator. Individuals who want to learn how to play bridge are welcome to come. No previous knowledge required. Bring a Friend! Join the fun for free. *Began on January 11th! BUT you can start anytime*

WEDNESDAYS 11:00—12:00 PM CREATIVE EXPRESSION -BEADING

with Cathi Thornton. Here is another way to relax and be creative. Join us to make jewelry from beads and found items. There are plenty of supplies to share or you can bring your own beads and stringing cord. (in-person)

WEDNESDAYS 11AM to 12PM SPIRITUALITY CLASS

in-person and [ZOOM](#). Hosted by Janet.

We are using Gertrud Mueller Nelson's book *"To Dance with God"*

to explore community and family spirituality. What are rituals about?

Why do we celebrate? How do we create meaningful moments?

THURSDAYS 10AM-11AM TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

Steve Sawyer, Instructor.

Tai Chi is a graceful, gentle form of exercise that's now used for stress reduction and a variety of other health conditions. This class is for beginners.

People can participate through sitting or standing. Everyone is welcome.

THURSDAYS 1:30PM-3PM A Study of the Gospel of MARK

Hunter Hill, Instructor.

A focus on Mark's Biblical narrative of Jesus' life and interaction with His disciples. This will be an in-person event at The Gayton Kirk.



PRAYER

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.

For Continued Health Issues: Kasci, Ria, Sally, Harriet, Charlie, Lorette, Peggy, JP, Ginny, Harriet, Charlie, Toni, Douglas, Frances, Smitty, Douglas, Sandy, Cathleen, Tim, Gretchen, Sandra, Pat, Valerie, Sandra B, Rhonda, Beth, Barbara, Kay, Lois, Sharon, Dorothy, Linda C., John, John B., Ron V., Trish, Sandra O., Meg, Suzanne, Lorrie

Carol for healing and quick recovery

Ria for healing and recovery as well as for her family

Anne for healing

Kathleen for healing of brain

Joy, recovery from knee replacement surgery

Laura, recovery from recurrence of melanoma

Jeri, for release from the grip of depression

Chloe for healing of medical issues

Prayer of healing for Joy's friend, Pam

Prayers for Madison to have a healthy pregnancy

Prayers for Molly to have a healthy pregnancy

Prayers for Brenna to have a healthy pregnancy

Continued healing for Tina

Prayers for safety and safe travelling to Turkey for Michael

Prayers for healing for the family of Sully & Lauren from Covid-19

Prayers for job security for everyone at Disney World

Prayers of healing from surgery for Janet C; Lilly's grandma

Prayers of healing for Jim and Melinda

Prayers of smooth & loving transition to a retirement home for Jeanne

Prayers of peace for Cathi and her family

Prayers for all the people who are facing wildfires in New Mexico

Prayers for Peggy for healing and a quick recovery so she may return home

From the Desk of Karen, Office Manager

just a few "housekeeping" notes...

OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday 9AM - 4PM
804-741-5254, please leave a message if you get voicemail
gaytonkirk@gmail.com

Dates of Deposits for MAY:

5.1.2022 5.8.2022 5.15.2022 5.22.2022 5.29.22

OUR MAILING ADDRESS IS:
PO BOX 29635
HENRICO, VA 23242

Please note: We have two bank accounts. Checks for pledges and general offering go into our general budget account. The designated account is for mission or money designated to a particular item. This means that if you are giving to something other than the general budget, for accounting purposes, [we ask you to write separate checks.](#)

Thank you! Karen

Offering and Attendance Report

We are now making deposits weekly.

NEEDED/ACTUAL

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| FEB. | \$18,620.69/ \$32,263.02 |
| MAR. | \$18,620.69/ \$18,916.83 |
| APR. | \$18,620.69/ \$14,019.22 |
| MAY | \$18,620.69/ \$704.12 |

[CLICK HERE TO MAKE AN OFFERING](#)

The 2022 Gayton Kirk Officers

Session

Janet James - Moderator
Marilyn Johns - Clerk of Session
Carol Woodcock - Treasurer
Marney Titmus - Administration
Bland Weaver - Administration
Sally Wambold - Building & Grounds
Marion Brown - Building & Grounds
Patti McCloskey - Christian Education
Rusty Deyerle - Communications
John Barnett - Communications
Linda Smiley - Missions
Jim Collins - Missions
Betty Doll - Worship

Diaconate

Lavinia Johnson-Moderator
Leah Viar
Aurea Perez
Aurea Melendez
Mary Horsley
Janice Baldwin

Attendance week of 5/1/2022

Celtic Worship - 25
Outside Worship - 10
11 AM Worship - 29
Jazz Vespers - 23

Taize (5.4.22) -- 4

Facebook Jazz Vespers Views
4/24 -
4/17 -