

Kirk Happenings

Week of June 19, 2022

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

Dear Friends,

This Sunday's Scripture is Luke's story of Jesus' encounter with a man who is chained and naked - possessed by a legion of demons ([Luke 8:26-39](#)). Within this one story we can see the chaotic intersection of power, authority, possession, freedom, economics, and faith. It is also a story of transformation that reveals the complicated changes that happen when Love begins to act. True Love (Jesus) addresses and deals with what is keeping us sick, and sometimes we are just sick enough that we will allow True Love to do its work.

As I prepare for Sunday's sermon, taking in the Scripture and looking for the moment when change is initiated, I am searching for the open places in our community in which True Love can speak a word of guidance. Like the bound man, we have a legion of demons keeping us in the places of death - and so many of the demons are of our own making. And we already know that. So what is the wake-up word? What is it that Love is saying to us that we block out?

It appears to me that True Love's 'ask' is to open up to release what possesses us. We do not exorcize the demons, True Love does. We do not determine where the demons go, True Love does. And when we do obey Love's call, when Love has freed us from imprisonment, then we go tell our neighbors what happened - not what we did, but what True Love has done.

Here is a prayer from www.englished.com that could help each of us to be ready for True Love having its way with us:

Nurturing One, in all our places of doubt and shame, you dwell within us, whispering to us words of love. Wherever there are forces in us working to distract from your love for us or our neighbors, you are there, passionately pursuing a change of our hearts. Do not give up on us, O God! Until we are able to honor the Sacredness of all you have created, keep working on us. In Christ, our teacher and example, we pray. Amen.

In Christ,
Janet

THE GAYTON KIRK WEEKLY CALENDAR WITH LINKS

SATURDAY JUNE 18

1PM – 3PM Petting Zoo- **in-person**

SUNDAY JUNE 19 – Happy Father's Day

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

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

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

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

5:45 PM [ZOOM](#) Jazz Vespers discussion hosted by Linda Smiley

MONDAY JUNE 20

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

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

6:30 PM [ZOOM](#) Session Meeting

7 PM Art by Hand **in-person** hosted by Liz B.

TUESDAY JUNE 21

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.

7 PM [ZOOM](#) Faith and Film “*The World Before Your Feet*” hosted by Bob C.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 22

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

3 PM Staff & Committee Chair Meeting

7 PM Taize Service – **in-person**

THURSDAY JUNE 23

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

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

Art by Scott Keen

Announcing our new art show:

Scott Keen will be featured not only in the Narthex Art Gallery, Janet and he have worked together to plan for his exhibit to accompany the Spirituality Class's Pentecost liturgical art.

This is the first time we have featured an artist's work in the sanctuary. We did this because (1) it undergirds the Pentecost theme and (2) it was large enough to hang in the sanctuary. We are so delighted that this worked out since we will only do these art installations when the church theme is reinforced by the artwork.

You can find out more about Scott's work here: www.scottkeen.art



The Gayton Kirk

11421 Gayton Road, Henrico VA



**You are invited
to a gallery reception
to view and celebrate the work of**

SCOTT KEEN

<https://www.scottkeen.art/>

**Sunday, July 10
3:30 - 4:30 -pm**

Questions? Contact Stacy Deyerle at gaytonkirk.intern@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Leigh Hulcher & Kate Gareau [HG Team RVA](#)

Invite you to a Petting Zoo
On
Saturday, June 18th



1PM to 3PM

At The Gayton Kirk Presbyterian Church
11421 Gayton Road, Henrico, VA 23238

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
6/7/2022 AND 6/21/2022
Contact [Bland Weaver](#) for details
if you want to volunteer.



**Faith
&
Film**

Discussion Tuesday June 21 at 7PM

[CLICK TO ZOOM](#)

June Faith & Film feature

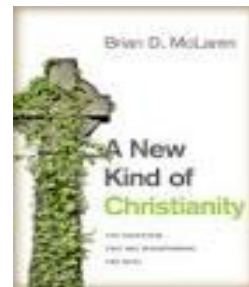
Watch and enjoy
“The World Before Your Feet”
a documentary featuring Ashland, VA
native Matt Green as he walks and
explores every neighborhood and street in
NYC. It’s a journey of discovery, humanity
and wonder, of being present to the
people he meets and their neighborhoods.

This 95-minute film
will give your spirit a lift!
Reviews: 100% Rotten Tomatoes rating
positive NY Times review.
Available on Amazon Prime video, Apple
TV, & True Story (new UK site).

A New Kind of Christianity
by Brian McLaren

New Class starting
Wednesday
9:45 AM to 11AM

Bland Weaver, facilitator



The Gayton Kirk Book Club
meets monthly

4th Tuesday at 7PM via
[ZOOM](#)

Book to read for June 28th:

Indigo Girl by Natasha Boyd



ABOUT OUR GROUPS AND CLASSES

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**

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.

Do you appreciate good books? Do you enjoy fine art? Do you like cooking, baking, or entertaining?

Then we can use your help! One to two times per month we will be having small, simple receptions for local authors and artists. You can help support local creatives at the Kirk through the gift of hospitality. If you would like to provide simple refreshments (dropped off at your convenience before events) and/or help set up and clean up from these receptions, please contact Stacy Deyerle at gaytonkirk.intern@gmail.com. The events are mostly on Sunday afternoons.

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

Prayers for Madison to have a healthy pregnancy

Prayers for Molly to have a healthy pregnancy

Prayers for Brenna to have a healthy pregnancy

Prayers for Maggie for a healthy pregnancy

Prayers for the family of Charles McAnally (Betty M's brother)

Prayers for Mary; may she recover quickly from her fall and may her breathing problems be healed

Prayers for Brian and Betsy to have healing from cancer

Prayers for Josh H and for his family

Prayers for Bonnie's husband for healing from health issues and for her grandchildren & great-grandchildren

Prayers for the family of Salvador Rolando Ramos

Prayer for the family of Payton S. Gendron

Prayers for those who are having problems with overcoming their challenges.

Prayers for Kip to have a full health recovery

Prayers for healing of Grace's kidneys and heart; Karen's mom and for step-dad's health & full recovery to walk.

Prayers of peace and free of pain, and full of healing for Ren.

Prayers for Bob, Nick, David, and Angelica.

Prayers for all of the mass shootings victims' families throughout the world

Prayers for all those who are struggling with their faith

Prayers for healing for Tony K.

Prayers for Spencer and all babies

Prayers for Mary for upcoming surgeries

Prayers for Ukraine, USA, Peace, end gun violence and Justice for ALL.

Prayers for Gloria

Prayers for teachers and students as they enter summer school and/or summer vacations

Prayers for Melinda & Jim as Melinda recovers from eye cancer & other health issues

Prayers for Linda to have strength as she deals with additional health issues

Prayers for Jan and family

Prayers for the Fernandez Family

Prayers for Bonnie's husband who is dealing with health issues, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren

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

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

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

MAR. \$18,620.69/
\$18,916.83

APR. \$18,620.69/
\$14,019.22

MAY \$18,620.69/
\$15,454.27

JUNE \$18,620.69/
\$11,387.04

[CLICK HERE TO MAKE AN OFFERING](#)

Attendance week of 6/12/2022

Celtic Worship - 20
Outside Worship - n/a
11 AM Worship - 44
Jazz Vespers - 13

Taize (6.15.22) -- 8

Dates of Deposits for **JUNE:**
6-5-2022 **6-12-2022**
6-19-2022 **6-26-2022**

JUNE

Birthdays and Anniversaries

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

- 2nd Sandra O'Neill(B)
- 5th Zamaita Melendez(B)
- 6th Cayce Craddock(B); Paul & Janet Hayden(A)
- 7th Ellen Hasty(B); Hunter & Lyn Hill(A)
- 10th Bill Cooper(B); James Young(b)
- 11th Emily Keefer(b)
- 13th John Barnett(B); Carlos Lara(B); Bob & Jan Chesnut (A)
- 14th Gary Collier(B)
- 16th Aimee Crady(B)
- 17th Debbie Mueller(B); Cathi Thornton(B)
- 18th Richard Faye(B); John & Marie Barnett(A)
- 19th Dan Sarate(B); Jon & Lyn Lunsford(A)
- 20th Susan Trulove(B); Burr Workman(B); Ron & Bev Inlow(A)
- 21st Stacy Deyerle(B); Rita Boyea(B); Jessica Gray(B); John & Christy Carroll(A)
- 23rd Gary Collier and Janet James(A)
- 24th Bill Carmines(B)
- 25th Marilyn Johns(B)
- 26th Lyn Hill(B)
- 28th Ray Carver(B)

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