

Kirk Happenings

Week of September 10, 2023

The Gayton Kirk PCUSA

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



Wanted: Volunteers, ages 6 and up

Why: To pack meals for Rise Against Hunger

When: September 24 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Where: Gayton Kirk Presbyterian Church

11421 Gayton Road, Henrico, Va.

Join us as we pack more than 20,000 meals to feed hungry children overseas. Donations accepted.

For more information call 804-741-5254.

THE GAYTON KIRK WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10

- 8:30 AM - Celtic Worship Service **in-person** and [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 9:45 AM - Outside Worship Service - **in-person** (led by Janet J.)
- 9:45 AM - Music with all generations using Orff Instruments - **in-person** (led by Maya C.)
- 11:00 AM - Worship Service **in-person**, [live streaming](#), and on [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 5:00 PM - **Jazz Vespers 12th Anniversary** - **in-person**, [live streaming](#), and on [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 5:45 PM - Jazz Vespers discussion - **in person** and [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 6:00 PM - Jazz Vespers Fellowship- **in-person**

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11

- 11:00 AM - Coffee & Scripture - [ZOOM](#) (led by Janet J.)
- 1:30 PM - Creative Expressions - **in-person** (led by Sandra O.)
- 6:30 PM - **All Committees' Meetings** - [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 12

- 1:00 PM - Bridge and Learn to Play Bridge- **in-person** (led by Ellen W. and Tina B.)
- 6:00 PM - Theology on Tap at Rare Olde Times - **in-person** (led by Betty M.)
- 7:00 PM - *Unclobber* by Colby Martin - [ZOOM](#) (led by Stacy D.)

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 13

- 9:45 AM - *The Language of God* by Francis Collins - **in-person** (led by Bland W.)
- 11:00 AM - Spirituality Class: *Faith after Doubt* by Brian McLaren - **in-person** (led by Lavinia J.)
- 1 :00 PM - Creative Fellowship (Art) Class - **in-person** (led by Robin R. & Jan S.)
- 3:00 PM - Staff/Committee Heading Meeting- **Hybrid** (led by Janet J.)
- 7:00 PM - Taizé- **in-person**

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 14

- 9:30 AM - Tai Chi - **in-person** (led by Steve S.)
- 10:30 AM - Chair Yoga - **in-person** (led by Robin R.)
- 6:30 PM - Music Practice - **in-person** (led by John D.)

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17

- 8:30 AM - Celtic Worship Service **in-person** and [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 9:45 AM - Outside Worship Service - **in-person** (led by Janet J.)
- 9:45 AM - Music with all generations using Orff Instruments - **in-person** (led by Maya C.)
- 11:00 AM - Worship Service **in-person**, [live streaming](#), and on [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 3:00 PM - **Kirk Children's Book Festival Planning Meeting** - **in-person** (led by Stacy D.)
- 5:00 PM - Jazz Vespers **in-person**, [live streaming](#), and on [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 5:45 PM - Jazz Vespers discussion - **in person** and [ZOOM](#) (host, Marilyn J.)
- 6:00 PM - Jazz Vespers Fellowship - **in-person**

This Sunday

Anniversary Celebration

JAZZ VESPERS

Celebrating 12 years and honoring our founders!

Join us for supper following the service.

SUNDAY
9/10
5PM

Bring a dessert or snack to share!

Sundays 9:45am - Children, Youth, & Intergenerational Opportunities

Children & Youth
Sunday School

Books of the Bible



All elementary & middle school students are welcome!

Sunday Mornings, 9:45 - 10:45AM

Questions? please email:
Russell.kerr.3@live.com

Resumes in October

Sunday Mornings
September 10, 17, 24
9:45-10:30
ORFF AND MUSIC FOR ALL AGES



led by Maya Collins, music intern



This is our September Sunday Morning
Children, Youth, and Adult group

Join us for musical learning experiences!

Adult Learning Opportunities

Began Sept. 7, 2023

Unclobber:

**Rethinking Our Misuse of
the Bible on Homosexuality**
by Colby Martin



Tuesdays at 7pm
September 7 - October 17
on Zoom

Led by Stacy Deyerle

Open to all. Invite a friend to join you.

Contact Stacy at
stacydeyerle.thegaytonkirk@gmail.com for the
Zoom link or with any questions.

It's not too late. Email Stacy to join
this week.

Begins Sept. 10, 2023

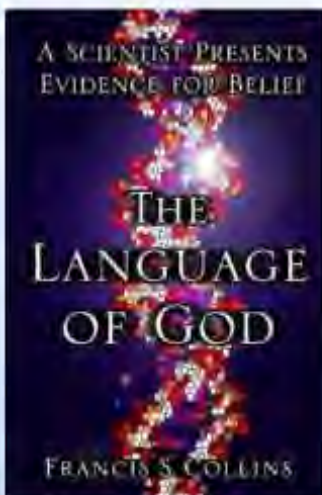


Sundays - 9:45 am

Gayton Kirk Library

Norma Smith will be teaching the
Presbyterian Outlook Curriculum :
The Devil You Say

Begins September 13, 2023



The Language of God

by Francis Collins
Facilitated by Bland
Weaver.

Wednesdays

9:45 am - 11:00 am

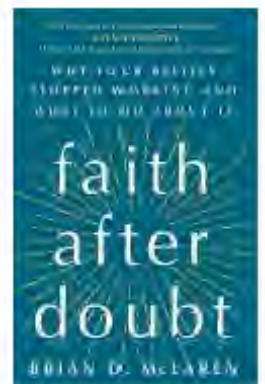
Planning to attend? Questions?

email Bland

Begins Sept. 13, 2023

Faith After Doubt

by Brian McLaren
a spirituality class
Wednesdays



11:00 am - 12:00 pm

First class is an organizational meeting
with a review of the preface, introduc-
tion, and chapter 1.

Planning to attend class? Questions?
email Lavinia, facilitator

More Adult Learning Opportunities

Beginning in October



*Inspired:
Slaying Giants,
Walking on Water,
and Loving the
Bible Again*

by Rachel Held Evans

**Thursdays at 7pm
on Zoom**

Contact [Barbara Crump](#) for more in-
fo about the class.

Begins October 2, 2023

Sacred Encounters
Women's Bible Study

by Olive Mahabir
Facilitated by Janet James

**First Monday of each
month**

3:00 pm

In person at the Kirk

**Study books are \$10. Please see Karen in the
Kirk office to obtain a book.**



Theology on Tap



Topic: Science and Religion

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2023

Starts at 6:30 PM

**In person at Rare Olde Times
10602 Patterson Avenue**

Located in the Canterbury Shopping Center

**To ensure adequate seating, please let
[Betty Meador](#) know by Sept. 9th that you
will be attending.. *If last minute you find
you can come, come on! There's always
room for one more!***

Serving Together



Kirk Children's Book Festival

COMING 2/3/24

Planning Meeting
Sunday, 9/17 3:00-4:30pm
at The Gayton Kirk

Everyone welcome! If you have ideas about this event, please come share.

Questions? Contact Stacy at
stacydeyerle@thegaytonkirk@gmail.com

The poster features a blue background with white text. It includes illustrations of a child in a wheelchair reading a book, a child jumping, and a small table with books and a lamp.

Save the Date

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023

9AM TO 1PM

FALL WORK DAY

AT

THE KIRK



CONTACT [MARION BROWN](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION

CAN YOU HELP with Rise Against Hunger?

We need 125 people to
pack the food.

We currently have 52.

We need \$8000.00 to pay for
the food.

We currently have \$1,815.00

Ask me about feeding children



\$20 feeds 50 kids

Please join us to pack meals!

RISE AGAINST HUNGER. GAYTON KIRK.

SUN. SEPT. 24, 5pm

INFO rahgaytonkirk@gmail.com

www.thegaytonkirk.org

**This is an updated list of
needs from previous week!**



The Food Pantry we support needs food.
We are helping to keep Wellborne UMC's Food Pantry stocked.

They have an urgent need for these items:

- *Adult cereals like raisin bran, cornflakes, Cheerios,
Oatmeal (packets only)**
- *Snacks (granola bars, Lance type crackers, fruit snacks)**
 - *Applesauce cups**
 - *Canned pasta**
 - *Mac & Cheese**
- *Spaghetti or other boxed pasta**
- *Spaghetti Sauce (only in cans or plastic bottles)**
- Diapers: sizes 2 & 3**

Take groceries directly to Welborne UMC (920 Maybeury Drive,
Richmond, VA 23229) 2nd parking lot entrance, near preschool.
Place items in box on the right side of the covered breezeway.

Thank You!!!

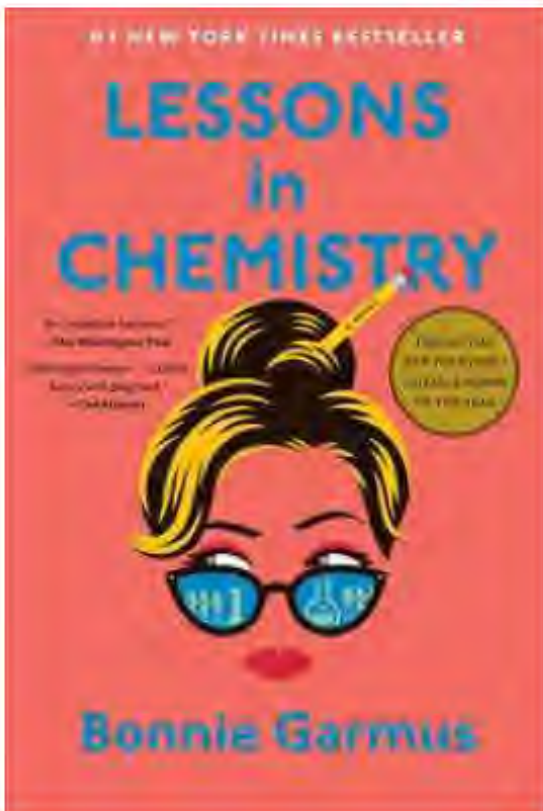
Community & Fellowship

Tai Chi at The Kirk

Thursdays

9:30AM— 10:15AM

This is a new start time.



The Gayton Kirk Book Club Fourth Tuesdays at 7pm By ZOOM

Sept. 2023 Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Graves

Oct. 2023 Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End by Atul Gawande

Nov. 2023 The Day the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland by Jim DeFede

Dec 2023 Jabbok by Lee Sloan

Jan. 2024 The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by Taylor Jenkins Reid



The Kirk Auction – Friday Night Fever – is just around the corner! Please put November 10 on your calendar for a fun night out that celebrates the Kirk and helps our budget and our neighbors.

Do you have donations for the silent auction? These are new or very gently used items, gift cards and certificates, services you might offer, services from our community businesses, tickets to sporting or theatre events, artwork, etc. Some people put together baskets, such as a baby shower basket, a movie basket, a bath and beauty basket – your imagination is the only limitation!

There is a donation letter in the church office, or Marilyn (marilynjohns2@gmail.com) can send it electronically to you so that when/if you approach a merchant or restaurant for a donation, they will see that it is a legitimate non-profit donation, for which they can get a tax deduction.

Contact Connie Knisley (knisleyconnie@gmail.com) to discuss your silent auction donation or any other items you have to donate. Thank you!

The Gayton Kirk Auction

[Date: Friday, November 10](#)

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: The Place, 4036-C Cox Rd., Glen Allen

For tickets or questions, contact Marilyn Johns (marilynjohns2@gmail.com)

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.) Out of respect for privacy, we do not use last names except for death notices.

For Continued Health Issues: Kasci, Ria, Sally, Harriet, Charlie, Lorette, Peggy, JP, Ginny, Douglas, Frances, Sandy, Cathleen, Tim, Gretchen, Sandra, Pat, Valerie, Sandra B, Rhonda, Beth, Barbara, Kay, Lois, Sharon, Dorothy, Linda C., John O., John B., Ron V., Trish, Sandra O., Meg, Suzanne, Lorrie, Roy, Karen W., Annie, Sean, Mary, Bob C, Chloe, Alma, Nick, Sherri

We are praying for:

- Grateful that Katie (from Kansas) has finished her stem cell transplant. Thankful that she got to go home to her kids (ages 17, 14, and 9) . She is appreciative of The Kirk's prayers.
- Phylis and John as John begins chemotherapy. Also, prayers for their family and friends who love and support them.
- Ronda as she battles cancer.
- Beth who will have intensive chemotherapy in Atlanta.
- Prayers for Neil, may God's love fill him as he heals and for health and strength in the coming months.
- Prayers for Bobby as he heals and recovers.
- Prayers for those involved in the Maui and California fires.
- Prayers for all the families who have lost loved ones and for those who have lost their homes.
- Praise to God for Christine's healing.
- Thankful for the rain.
- Prayers for continued health issues for Barbi.
- Prayers for Sara and Michael.
- Prayers for Renee, Jenny and Greg.
- Prayers for those who wish to be neat and organized.
- Prayers for God to help those who have trouble with time and timing.
- Pray for Jerry for a peaceful passing.
- Prayers for Brian and Sandra as they grieve.
- Prayers for John B. for a successful surgery and healing.
- Prayers for Debbie M. for health issues.
- Prayers for Karen J. and for her family (mom, dad, aunt, and uncle) for healthy healing.
- Prayers for John and Nadine.
- Prayers for Jim and Phyllis.
- Prayers for Nick and Sherri as they both are diagnosed with terminal cancer.
- Prayers for those who are suffering with colds, sinus issues, Covid, etc. may they heal quickly.

2023 Kirk Officers

Session

Janet James - Moderator
Marilyn Johns - Clerk of Session
Carol Woodcock - Treasurer
Marney Titmus - Administration
Janice Baldwin - Administration
Sally Wambold - Personnel
Marion Brown - Building & Grounds
Jim Collins - Building & Grounds

Susie Trulove - Christian Ed
Cathi Thornton - Christian Ed
Rusty Deyerle - Communications
John Barnett - Communications
Linda Smiley - Missions
Betty Doll - Worship
Betty Meador - Worship

Diaconate

Lavinia Johnson - Moderator
Tina Bechtle
Mary Horsley
Aurea Melendez
Aurea Perez
Leah Viar
Beverly Evans
Deb Kuhn

Worship Services



CELTIC WORSHIP

Sundays 8:30 AM [Zoom](#) and [In-Person](#)
Music. Scripture. Discussion. Holy Communion.



OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Sundays 9:45 AM
Music. Scripture. Reflection. Holy Communion.
[In-Person](#) in outdoor sanctuary *weather permitting*



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Sundays 11:00 AM
Music. Scripture. Sermon. Holy Communion.
[In-Person](#), [Zoom](#), and [Facebook Live](#).



JAZZ VESPERS

with the Gayton Kirk Jazz Trio
Sundays 5:00 PM
Poetry. Art. Scripture. Holy Communion.
Discussion. Soup.
[In-Person](#), [Zoom](#), and [Facebook Live](#).



Taizé Prayer Service

Wednesdays 7 PM
Sung prayer, piano & flute, candlelight.
[In-Person](#)

GROUPS AND CLASSES

MONDAYS 11 AM – 12 PM - SCRIPTURE AND COFFEE

[ZOOM](#) - Hosted by Marilyn Johns. Join us for a lively discussion of the Biblical passage for the upcoming sermon.

MONDAYS 1:30 – 3:00PM - CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS **In person** - **Teacher Sandra O'Neill**. Our current projects include Autumn, Halloween, and Thanksgiving themed paintings. We will begin exploring pencil art work. Drop in when you can. For beginners as well as for learning a new medium. Have an idea? Come and share!

For more info: oneillstudio@comcast.net

MONDAYS 7 -8:30PM - ART BY HAND: Knitting & Handiwork

In person in the Blue Room - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month. Hosted by Liz Barham We invite all knitters, crocheters, cross stitchers, needlepointers, or hand quilters to join. If you want to learn, people are available to teach you.

TUESDAYS 1:00PM - BEGINNING BRIDGE

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

TUESDAYS 1:00PM - LEARN HOW TO PLAY BRIDGE

In person - Tina Bechtle, facilitator. Individuals who want to learn how to play bridge are welcome. No previous knowledge required. Bring a Friend! Join the fun for free.

WEDNESDAYS 1—3:00PM - CREATIVE FELLOWSHIP: ART CLASS

In person - Robin Ricketts & Jan Schreiber, facilitators. Meets the 1st Wednesday of each month. Come join this open studio time to explore your artistic expression and share your ideas. Bring your current painting or drawing project and find inspiration in fellowship with other artists. Some supplies are available but we encourage you to bring your own.

THURSDAYS 9:30AM-10:15AM - TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

In person - 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.

We encourage new folks who are interested to come and either try Tai Chi or just observe!

THURSDAYS 10:30 – 11:30AM - CHAIR YOGA

In person - 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.

Masks are optional.

Photography notice: *Please be aware that photographs are taken at things happening around the Kirk. These are used in various ways, including social media and print publications. If you are uncomfortable having your photo taken or shared, please let us know, either by notifying anyone you see taking a photograph or a church leader on site, or by emailing gaytonkirk.intern@gmail.com.*

From the desk of Karen, Office Manager

just a few "housekeeping" notes...

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Thursday 9AM – 4PM

CONTACT: 804-741-5254 Please leave a message if you get voicemail.

gaytonkirk@gmail.com

MAILING ADDRESS:

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

Reports

We make deposits weekly.

	NEEDED/ACTUAL
JUNE	\$21,723.29/ \$12,328.89
JULY	\$21,723.29/ \$21,418.71
AUG.	\$21,723.29/ \$15,084.69
SEPT.	\$21,723.29/ \$1,632.00

[CLICK HERE TO MAKE AN OFFERING](#)

SUNDAY Attendance week of 9/3/2023

Celtic Worship – 21

Outside Worship – 7

11 AM Worship – 23

Jazz Vespers – 19

Taizé (9.6.23) – 4

Facebook streaming views as of Wednesday

11 AM Worship – 59

Jazz Vespers – 91

Dates of Deposits for

SEPTEMBER:

9.3.2023	8.17.2023
8.10.2023	8.24.2023

SEPTEMBER Birthdays and Anniversaries

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

- 1st Ross Riddell (B)
- 5th Monty and Martha Kier (A)
- 6th Hunter Hill (B); John O'Neill (B)
- 9th Betty Doll (B)
- 10th Xavier Rivera (b); Larry & Carolyn Bedford (A)
- 12th Grace and John Gray (A)
- 13th Monty Kier (B)
- 15th Lena Baldwin (b)
- 17th Ross Riddell and Sharon Atack (A)
- 18th Bryce Fisher (B)
- 19th Lynn Dowdy (B)
- 21st Richard and Lois Fay (A); James and Shelly Lord (A)
- 22nd Betsy Kennedy (B); Roy Mitchell (B)
- 23rd Michelle Terrell (B)
- 26th Deb Kuhn (B)
- 30th John Donelson and Marion Brown (A)