

# Kirk Happenings

**Week of June 13, 2021**

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

## **Pastor's Message**

Dear Kirk Friends,

Thank you for the support and encouragement and love you are showing to each other and in our community as we once again make major transitions with our worship services and in-person activities. The Gayton Kirk truly is a church where following Jesus with our actions is practiced. There are so many people who continue to listen, consider the situations, make suggestions, offer to help as we proclaim the good news that God loves all of us and all of creation.

Sundays can sometimes feel like a chemistry experiment - thank you for your spirit of humor and kindness as we try one thing and then another. A special thank you from the bottom of my heart to those who support our worship services, Jim Collins, Barbara Crump, Rusty Deyerle, Stacy Deyerle, Betty Doll, Mike Doll, Marilyn Johns, Betty Meador, Kevin Riley, Ryan Remson, and Sally Wambold. And I am so grateful to Devon Laporre. Not only is he a gifted pianist - he is very flexible and easy going as we make last minute changes.

Our staff had excelled in accommodating and supporting us as we moved back into the building these past weeks. Karen Jimerson who must have experience herding cats, has somehow managed to herd us and keep a semblance of order. Yonan Shehata keeps the building clean and in order so that we have a nice environment for worship and ministry.

I am grateful to be in the midst of such good people.  
Janet

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**Planning to attend the 11AM Worship Service this Sunday June 13?  
Please help us. Will you let us know by [registering?](#)**

We are using the program Eventbrite and it asks you to  
(1) click to select a date, (2) click to get your (free) tickets, (3) enter your name and email.

[Click here to register](#)

OR you can email [register.thegaytonkirk@gmail.com](mailto:register.thegaytonkirk@gmail.com) with Sunday's date and the number of people planning to attend.

**All Worship Services Are Hybrid (in-person and zoom)**

***In accordance with the most recent Dept. of Health and CDC recommendations, people who are fully vaccinated no longer need to wear masks. Those who are not vaccinated are urged to continue wearing masks when joining us for indoor gatherings.***

## RELAXATION THURSDAYS

Chair Yoga with Robin (10:30 am to  
11:30 am)  
And

Tai Chi with Steve (2:00 pm to 3:00 pm)

Come and enjoy the relaxation and  
stretching of Chair Yoga inside the  
sanctuary.

Enjoy the fresh air with Tai Chi. Will be  
inside the sanctuary once weather gets  
to be too hot!



## The Meaning of Mary Magdalene: Discovering the Woman at the Heart of Christianity Edition

by Cynthia Bourgeault  
MONDAYS 10 AM [ZOOM](#)

Mary Magdalene is one of the most influential  
symbols in the history of Christianity—yet, if  
you look in the Bible, you will find only a  
handful of verses that speak of her. How did  
she become such a compelling saint in the  
face of such paltry evidence?

teacher, Janet James



## Faith & Film



Join us at 7 PM on Tuesday, June 15, 2021  
for a discussion of "Ma Rainy's Black Bottom".  
This film is available on Netflix.

It is based on a play by the late August Wilson.  
The film broadens our understanding as people  
of faith.

## JUNE FAITH & FILM

### "Ma Rainy's Black Bottom"

Discussion:

**Tuesday, June 15, 2021**

**Contact: [Linda Smiley](#)**

ZOOM LINK

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84127275813?pwd=QU9GUE9JTHJ0SSs2NXIJVnFMbmthQT09>

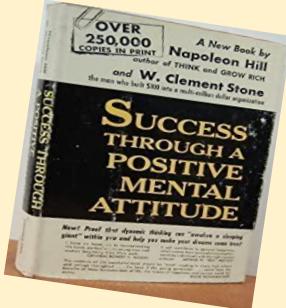
Meeting ID: 841 2727 5813

Passcode: 632013

**Bland Weaver's Class  
A STUDY  
of the Work and Writings of  
Napoleon Hill & Clement Stone**

We are Currently Reading "Success Through a Positive Mental Attitude"

**Wednesdays 9:45AM**



**Click to [ZOOM](#)**

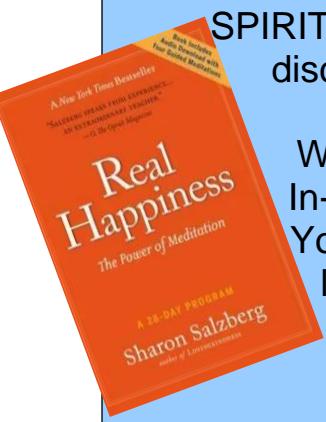
**11:00 AM [ZOOM](#)  
Coffee & Scripture**  
Zoom hosted by Janet James  
on Mondays



**CLICK FOR [ZOOM](#)**

**SPIRITUALITY CONNECTIONS  
discussing MEDITATION**

Wednesdays at 11AM  
In-person meets at The Kirk.  
You can also join by Zoom  
led by Ellen Welthy



**Calling on those handymen(women) and  
carpenters...**



**We need a few volunteers to  
sand and stain the benches in the  
Outside worship area. Please contact  
Sally Wambold at 804-337-6178; leave a  
message if she cannot answer your call!**

**Drum circle  
no experience needed  
feel the beat**



**Bring a chair. we have drums.  
Join us outside in the parking lot.  
Free and Fun**

**Sundays 4-4:45PM  
The Gayton Kirk**

**11421 Gayton Rd. Henrico, VA 23238**



A little bird told me ...

Friends,

The birds at The Kirk bring sure delight to all of us!

I watch the bluebirds fly low from one side of the grounds to another and the finches keep us company right outside our office windows.

Unfortunately, I have some sad news. As Marion Brown was walking the grounds, she checked the bluebird box and found that two babies had died in the box. She plans to donate a bluebird box system with new box fitted with anti-predator opening and a baffle on the pole to keep snakes out.

Now that Spring is here, we need to be sure to keep the feeders clean. There has been a serious eye disease problem this Spring that has caused blindness. It is spread via bird poop at feeders. Finches are especially vulnerable. Many people have cared for the bird feeders over the years— most recently, Susie Mote, Tina Bechtle, Mike and Lynelle Gardner. Thank you all so much!

**If anyone is interested in helping keep the feeders clean and filled, please send a note to Karen [gaytonkirk@gmail.com](mailto:gaytonkirk@gmail.com) and she will get it into the right hands.**

We want to be good to our birds!

THANK YOU, CONNIE KNISLEY!!!  
and thank you



Gayton Kirk's members and  
friends, children, and  
grandchildren,  
and thank you  
Kiwanis Club

*for a highly successful yard sale!*

At last count it looks like the Yard Sale  
brought in approx. \$2500 and counting

Thank you to the Auction Committee: Jim  
Collins, Connie Knisley, Marney Titmus,  
Lily Titmus, and Bland Weaver for their  
commitment to the financial health of our  
community and to the mission work that  
we support.



Please help us care for our kids  
and  
[take our survey](#)

## WORSHIP

# Celtic Worship Service

In-person and on Zoom  
Sundays 8:30AM

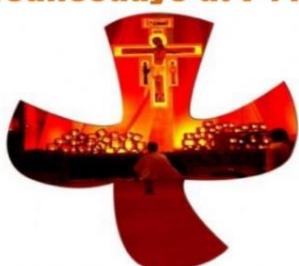


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Music. Scripture. Discussion.  
Holy Communion.

[NEW CELTIC Zoom Link:](#)  
Meeting ID: 829 4839 9986  
Passcode: 497588

**Taize**  
In person at The Gayton Kirk  
Wednesdays at 7 PM



11421 Gayton Rd Henrico VA 23238

outdoor Worship Service  
with Holy Communion

9:45 AM



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[www.TheGaytonKirk.org](http://www.TheGaytonKirk.org)

All are welcome! Free!  
**Jazz  
Vespers**  
Online and in person

scripture.art.poetry.discussion.holy communion.

5PM Sundays

*Live Music by the  
Tommy Witten Trio*

The Gayton Kirk  
11421 Gayton Rd. Henrico, VA 23238

5:00 PM In Person & [Live Streaming](#)



11AM WORSHIP SERVICE  
in-person and on zoom

special music. scripture. sermon. prayers.

You are invited to join us to



# Celebrate Debbie Mueller!

at a Retirement Party  
June 20th



Following the 11AM Worship Service



The Gayton Kirk  
11421 Gayton Rd Henrico VA 23238

If you would like to contribute to a gift for Debbie, please write  
"Debbie's Retirement" on the memo line of your check.

Or

[DONATE TO PAYPAL](#)

(Please be sure to click on drop down button and use Minister's  
Discretionary with a description of Debbie's Retirement as the memo)

Please [RSVP](#) if you are planning to attend  
the 11 AM Service and party

## From the Desk of Karen, Office Manager.....

Dates of Deposits for June:

**6.6.21      6.20.21      6.27.21**

I would like to ask that you help us when you write your checks to The Kirk. There are two accounts: regular pledges go to the general budget, and the designated account is for Missions, ACTS, Music Enrichment, Building Fund, or Minister's Discretionary.

Finally, I (and my mask) am back in the church building! Office hours are still 9AM to 4PM Monday thru Thursday. If you call and get the voicemail, please leave a message.

Please call the 741-5254 number to reach me and NOT via text-unless an **EMERGENCY!** I can also be reached via email: [gaytonkirk@gmail.com](mailto:gaytonkirk@gmail.com)

Thank you! Karen



## The 2021 Gayton Kirk Officers

### Session

Janet James - Moderator  
Marilyn Johns - Clerk of Session  
Carol Woodcock - Treasurer  
Bland Weaver - Administration  
Sally Wambold - Building & Grounds  
Barbara Crump - Christian Education  
Susie Trulove - Christian Education  
Aimee Crady - Communications  
John Donelson - Communications  
Betty Meador - Community Outreach  
Linda Smiley - Community Outreach  
Mike Doll - Missions  
Norma Smith - Missions  
Betty Doll - Worship  
Rusty Deyerle - Worship

### Diaconate

Tina Bechtle - Moderator  
Lavinia Johnson  
Patti McCloskey  
Aurea Perez  
Marney Titmus  
Leah Viar

## Offering and Attendance Report

We are now making deposits bi-weekly.

NEEDED	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
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**MAR** \$21,514.92 \$11,643.55 -9,871.37

**APR** \$21,514.92 \$18,208.14 -3,306.78

**MAY** \$21,514.92 \$20,252.85 -1,262.07

**June's** Offering to Date \$9,719.60

Amount Needed Monthly \$21,514.92

[\*\*CLICK HERE TO MAKE AN OFFERING\*\*](#)

## Attendance week of 6/6/2021

8:30 AM Celtic Worship – 25

9:45 AM Live Outside – 11

11 AM Worship – 13 in person 12 (zoom)

5 PM Jazz Vespers – 6 in person

– 2 (zoom) -4(Facebook)

Facebook Jazz Vespers Views – 6/06- 87  
5/30 - 150

## JUNE

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

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

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

## 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.

### 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, Ben Walsh, Sabrina F.B. Dias (Iraq)

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

### SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers for recovery from surgery for Frank T. who had an incident with his knee/leg.

Prayers for Karen as she recovers from her surgery; may she heal quickly and that her pain be no more.

Prayers for Lori's health to improve.

Prayers for Laurie as she has cancer; may she be healed.

Prayers for Nick to find help and healing.

Prayers for John and Sandra as they continue with medical treatment.

Prayers for healing after a medical procedure for Kasci.

Prayers for Joy's friend, Jeannie, and her husband Glen, who are mourning the loss of their son, Michael.

Prayers for the Crady family in the death of Patrick's aunt

Prayer for Bob recovering from a minor stroke; may limitations on his eyes be renewed.

Prayers for Bill, Nancy, and Ann on the passing of their mother, Olive Crummett

Prayers for Debbie as she goes through a procedure and healing.

Tony, prayers for healing

Aurea: prayers for healing of her knee and for PT to go well.

Debbie H, for comfort during her illness

Kasci, for her recovery from a broken ankle

Tim, Ray, and Lori's neighbor in PA who has Covid, pneumonia, and is on a ventilator.

Helen, another neighbor of Ray and Lori's, who is in the hospital and doctors do not know what is wrong with her.

Anita; prayers for recovery from heart transplant

Prayers for Linda Smiley and family for the passing of Gisele McMiminny.

Prayers for Linda's friend Susan (and Linda) while grieving the sudden passing of her husband, John Meunier.

George; prayers for a short recovery for his knee.

## THE GAYTON KIRK WEEKLY CALENDAR WITH LINKS

### SUNDAY JUNE 13

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

9:45 AM OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE **in-person**  
outside live with guidelines in place.

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

4:00 PM Drum Circle – **in-person**

5:00 PM Jazz Vespers **in-person** and [Live Streaming](#)

5:45 PM [ZOOM](#) Jazz Vespers hosted by Marilyn Johns  
(You can enter at 5PM to watch live streaming of Jazz Vespers with Marilyn)

### MONDAY JUNE 14

10:00 AM [ZOOM](#) A Study about Mary Magdalene

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

6:30 PM [ZOOM](#) All Committees Meetings

### TUESDAY JUNE 15

1:00 PM Bridge – **In-person**

7:00 PM **Faith and Film: “Ma Rainy’s Black Bottom”**

### WEDNESDAY JUNE 16

9:45 – 11 AM “Success through a Positive Mental Attitude”  
contact [Bland Weaver](#) for Zoom info

11 AM Spirituality Connections meets **in-person** at The Kirk and on [ZOOM](#)

12:00 PM [ZOOM](#) In Person the Tuckahoe Kiwanis Club meet in Sanctuary

7 PM Taize – **In-Person**

### THURSDAY JUNE 17

10:30 AM Chair Yoga- **In Person**

2:00 PM Tai Chi – **In-person**

### SUNDAY JUNE 20

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9:45 AM OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE **in-person**  
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11:00 AM Worship Service **in-person** [ZOOM](#) hosted by Marilyn Johns

12:00 PM **Celebrate Debbie Mueller! Retirement Party! – in person**

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