



**Gayton Road Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
Ministers: Every Believer  
Pastor: Jonathan Kruschwitz**



*We are Disciples of Christ,  
a movement for wholeness  
in a fragmented world.*

*June 9, 2019  
Pentecost Sunday*

*As part of the one body of  
Christ, we welcome all to  
the Lord's Table as God  
has welcomed us.*

*Please use the Narthex for conversation, gathering and visiting,  
so that the Sanctuary may be used for quiet reflection and preparing for worship.*

**GATHERING**

*Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship.*

*"What the world needs is people who have come alive."*

*(Howard Thurman, 1899-1981)*

**PRELUDE**

"Spirit of the Living God"

arr. John Carter

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Acts 2:1-21)

When we see only troubles and not their redemption:

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

When we know only frustration and not the hope of something more:

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

When we feel only fear and not the courage of your love:

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

And when we are too content and need to be stirred:

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

When we enjoy having the final word and need to hear yours:

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

When we trust in what we see and need to dream again:

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Rush upon us like a violent wind.

**Fall upon us like a peaceful dove. Come, Holy Spirit!**

**\*OPENING HYMN (INSERT)** "God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind" CWM RHONDDA

**\*OPENING PRAYER** (Acts 2:1-21)

**Holy Gust,  
Who fans the flame within  
And moves the world without:  
Stir us up who are at a standstill,  
Life us up who are low;  
Overwhelm us who are too comfortable,  
Awaken us who are asleep—  
And gather us all together  
In the one movement of your love. Amen.**

ANTHEM "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" Doris Akers  
. Lee Scott

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-23

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*At this time, children through second grade are invited to depart for Worship & Wonder.*

**PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE**

THE LORD'S PRAYER 310 (SUNG) HAAS

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:1-21

SERMON "Bursting Old Wineskins"

\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION 250 "O Breath of Life" ST. CLEMENT

*During this song, all are welcome to come forward to become members of Gayton Road Christian Church by transfer of membership or baptism.*

*Deacons gather in the back of the sanctuary to prepare for the offering.*

OFFERING INVITATION (Psalm 104:24-34, 35<sup>b</sup>)

OFFERTORY "Humbly I Adore Thee" Myron Casner

\*DOXOLOGY 50 "Praise God" LASST UNS ERFREUEN

\*OFFERING BLESSING (Romans 8:22-27; Acts 1:1-21)

**Invisible and inexpressible Spirit,  
Fill these gifts  
And our lives  
With possibilities  
Of goodness  
Yet unseen and unheard—  
That your visions and dreams  
Might take on flesh  
In our world. Amen.**

CONFESSION (Acts 16:16-34; John 17:20-26)

Lord, you pour out your Spirit upon all flesh.	Christ, you speak through many languages.	Lord, you make us one body from all our gifts.
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<b>When we try to fence her in:</b>	<b>When we block out foreign accents:</b>	<b>When we refuse to be connected:</b>
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Lord, have mercy.	Christ, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.
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<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>	<b>Christ, have mercy.</b>	<b>Lord, have mercy.</b>
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**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

(Acts 2:1-21)

**THE PEACE**

(1 Corinthians 12:3<sup>b</sup>-13)

The Spirit is given to everyone for the common good of all.

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

**COMMUNION HYMN 392** “Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether” UNION SEMINARY

*(Elders and Deacons gather in the back of the Sanctuary to prepare to serve)*

*Communion is celebrated each Sunday. As a Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) congregation, we practice an open table where all are invited to the table. There is no barrier that prevents participation in the Lord’s Supper. The bread and the cup are taken in unison; hold each in your hands until you are signaled to partake. This communion bread is gluten free.*

*You are invited to bless the bread and the cup for your neighbor. As you pass the element, you may say, “The body of Christ, broken for you,” and, “The blood of Christ, shed for you.”*

**PRAYERS OF THE ELDERS**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**COMMUNION**

**\*CLOSING HYMN 463** “Renew Your Church” ALL IS WELL

**\*BENEDICTION** (Acts 2:1-21)

May God bless—**what is beyond our sight;**  
Christ bless—**what is beyond our strength;**  
And Spirit bless—**what is beyond our mind.**

We go now—in the gust of holy Change. Amen.

**POSTLUDE**

“Postlude”

William Matthias

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**\*Please stand if able.**

As a courtesy to other worshippers, please silence phones. Bibles (electronic or book) are most welcome!

**Scheduled to serve today:**

Preacher .....Jonathan Kruschwitz  
 Director of Music..... Jack Fox  
 Lay Leader ..... Anna McFarlane  
 Elders ..... Teresa Campbell and Becky Ennis  
 Deacons ..... Radek Larew, Kathy Habib,  
 ..... Bill Malla, and Alexa McFarlane  
 Acolytes ..... Alexa McFarlane  
 Children’s Message ..... Becky Ennis  
 Worship & Wonder..... Cinda Caiella  
 Nursery ..... Darrah Davis

**Welcome to Worship:** *Whether you are a member, friend or visiting with us today, may God bless you during worship this morning. You ARE welcome and we’re very blessed that you are worshipping with us today!*

**Communion** is celebrated each Sunday.

**GRCC NEWS AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITES**

**Congregational Gathering: Our Path Forward:** The Operations Team has been discussing long-range planning for the church. We would like to share the results of our meetings and begin the conversation about our future. Please plan to join us for this important meeting **today** after worship.

**Pentecost Offering:** **Today** we will receive a special Pentecost offering. Half of the offering is designated to the Virginia Region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in an effort to start and sustain new churches. The other half is used by Hope Partnership to support the recruitment, assessment, training, and coaching of new church leaders at events like Leadership Academy. For more, please see [disciplesmissionfund.org/special-offerings/pentecost](http://disciplesmissionfund.org/special-offerings/pentecost)

**Linger Longer (Birthday Bash):** After worship **June 30**, all are invited to the Fellowship Hall for a small piece of cake, a quick birthday singalong, and a time of celebration for **June’s** babies! This birthday-themed Linger Longer will happen (usually) the last Sunday of each month in 2019.

**Picture-Your-Pet Wall 2019:** We are all God’s creatures, humans and pets alike! This **June**, anyone whose last name begins with J or K is invited to share their pet pictures with Teresa. These will then be shared on a display in the Fellowship Hall! (Anyone whose last name begins with L, start gathering your photos. Your turn will be in July!)

**Sunday Sojourns:** The ancestors of our faith, Abraham and Sarah, sojourned their entire adult lives. Jesus said the Son of Man has no place to lay his head. The early church met not in official church buildings but in Christ-followers' homes. This summer, we follow in the footsteps of our ancestors in faith. On a few select Sundays, we will invite you to meet with us not in the sanctuary but in another gathering space in the community. For as it was in the Bible, so it is now: we often encounter God in the strange and unfamiliar, in circumstances of vulnerability and risk and trust. We are hopeful that our sojourns will be a blessing both to ourselves and to the communities with whom we gather. Stay tuned for more information about the sojourns that we are planning.

**The church continues to collect** used eyeglasses and hearing aids to help children learn and parents maintain their jobs; tab tops from drink cans, soup cans, & cat/dog food cans, etc. to support Ronald McDonald house; and box tops found on cereal boxes, soup cans, Kleenex, etc. to support our educational system. The collection boxes are in our narthex.

**From Where I Sit:** Faith is an experience. As a community of faith, we share our faith experiences to encourage and inspire each other, and to learn about the ways that God is moving among our community and our world. As Gayton Road is a church that celebrates the diversity of the body of Christ and welcomes each voice to the congregation, we invite you to write and share an experience of your own, however great or small. Please send any entries to [grccdoc@verizon.net](mailto:grccdoc@verizon.net). These will be shared with the church through email.

**Prayer List:** The prayer list has recently been cleared. If you would like any requests from the previous list to be renewed on the present list, please let Jonathan know.

### **Lectionary Scripture**

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35<sup>b</sup>

1 Corinthians 12:3<sup>b</sup>-13

John 20:19-23

# CALENDAR

## TODAY

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday School @ 9:45 am

Worship @ 11:00 am

**Congregational Gathering: Our Path Forward (after Worship)**

## THIS WEEK

6/12

Girl Scouts @ 6 pm

## COMING UP

6/16

**Summer Worship Schedule Begins: Worship @ 10 am**

6/17

BBBQ @ 6:30 pm (Ricos; 2316 John Rolfe Pkwy)

6/20

Brookdale West End Memory Care Gathering @ 10:30 am (1800 Gaskins Rd)

## LOOKING AHEAD

7/7

Sunday Sojourn: Worship with Symphony Manor @ 10 am  
(12411 Gayton Road)

8/3

Yard Sale Prep Begins

8/24

Yard Sale @ 8 am—12 pm

**LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER...**

**Our GRCC family:**

**Those who are unable to worship with us on a regular basis:** Jim Harris, Stuart Wilkinson, Anna Lee Werner, June & Bubba Galbraith, and Marion Paitzel.

**Friends of GRCC:**

Terri Kenner, daughter of June and Bubba Galbraith

Beth Payne, sister of Amanda Carlton

Lacey Fletcher, friend of Amanda Carlton

Isobelle Johns, mother of Chris Carlton

Regina Jones and Family—friends of Cody Gallagher

Charlie Davis—brother-in-law of Cinda Caiella

Ted and Hunter Keel and family, friends of June and Bubba Galbraith

Bart Marpolell, friend of June and Bubba Galbraith

**Carol Ninesling, mother of Jeff Wilber**

*During the month of **June**, please be in prayer for these Mission Personnel of the Global Ministries for our church.*

June 2: Brigitte Eale, Kenya

June 9: John Campbell-Nelson, Indonesia

June 16: Victor Makari, Israel/Palestine

June 23: Charo Breckenridge, Zambia

June 30: Cindy Moraga, Mexico

*For more information and weekly prayers for these specific areas please visit [www.globalministries.org](http://www.globalministries.org)*

*Together with other churches in Richmond **this June**, we pray for the criminal justice system in metropolitan Richmond.*

*For the week of June 9, 2019: We pray for the police, judges, lawyers and court personnel, correctional officers and institutions, juvenile detention facilities, and probation officers.*

*([www.metroprayrva.org](http://www.metroprayrva.org))*

**People listed in bold added this week.  
Please email or call the church with updates.**

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**GAYTON ROAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

*“Where everybody is welcome”*

Gayton Road Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is a family of friendly, accepting, God-centered people. With our come-as-you-are attitude and non-judgmental philosophy, we believe we are called to love and care for one another and share the Good News of God’s love and grace with the community through our words and actions.