



GENEVA RADIANT

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MARCH / APRIL 2014

The best mathematical equation ever given: 1 cross + 3 nails = 4 given



Hurray for our Jubilee! It's just a few weeks away. How quickly the time has flown, not just this year, but also the last 50 years! So much has been achieved. Fifty years ago, Geneva was planning to be chartered on May 17, 1964, Pentecost Sunday. They were worshipping in the basement of the "rambler" house originally on the site. That house still stands, although it has gone through many changes. Monday through Friday it houses 2-year-olds attending "school" for the first time. Above the classroom, the Fireside Room has served as the parlor for Geneva for many years, with updates provided by the Geneva Presbyterian Women. In honor of our Jubilee Anniversary, the Geneva Day School will be updating the Fireside Room in preparation for the next 50 years.

delicious food and joyful fun, including a slide presentation that will feature a DVD of the groundbreaking for Geneva's first construction project and another slide presentation of photographs taken by many, including our own Dick Sanderson.

There is still much to do, but in terms of important dates between now and then, we will celebrate Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Easter. As the days grow longer and the daffodils lift their pretty heads, we know that Easter is coming. I'm more than ready for this strange winter to come to an end! The movement of winter to spring is the reality of resurrection.



Resurrection is the signature of God. We experience God's grace in the life, death, and resurrection of our savior Jesus Christ. Christ is with us, but sometimes we long for concrete testimonials of resurrection; nature provides them.

This year we are on a journey, but there is an important stop along the way. We're going toward our anniversary via Holy Week. The journey of Easter shows us the sweep of the greatest story ever told.

It is in our stories and images that we recognize who we are, where we have been and where God is calling us to go. Let us take in the whole picture – the tapestry of our lives and God's great plans for us. Where is God calling us to take Geneva in the next fifty years? May He grace us with His wisdom, compassion and direction in continuing His mission for Geneva. Happy Easter! Happy 50th Anniversary!

In Christ, Reverend Anne



We've spent much of this year celebrating. We reaffirmed our commitment to mission with our Jubilee gifts of \$50 to missions close to our hearts. We have been collecting histories, stories and photographs for a memory book that will serve as a collectable. Irene Trypupenko, Janelle Thibau, Jane Campbell, Rosie Perthel, and I are working on the Jubilee booklet. There are plans for a memory garden to be placed north of the playground. Much is happening.

One of the most exciting things is the Jubilee Banquet planned for Saturday, May 10, at Lakewood Country Club, which is being organized by Renee Moloznik and Bobbie Maxwell. We're planning a great time together with



EXECUTIVE REPORT

Nick Owens has been elected as the new Chairman of the Executive Committee. Congratulations Nick! We look forward to having your monthly report in the Radiant.

SESSION REPORT

Mark Allen has been elected as the new Clerk of Session. Congratulations Mark! Mark will have a summary of the Session meetings of March & April in the next issue.

DEACONS NEWS from Floyd Cox



Three New Deacons!

Deacon Mark Allen moved to Session to replace Larry Blim as Clerk of Session.

We welcome Adrienne Hahn, Emma Wheatley and Tom Sadler as new Deacons along with the return of Janelle Thibau, all in the Class of 2017. Floyd Cox will be the Deacon Moderator for one more year.

Deacon Family Groups:

Family Groups will be updated at our April meeting and will be posted on the bulletin board by the office. Also, expect a call or email from your Deacon after the Family Groups are updated. If you do not know who your Deacon is, please email Floyd Cox at floyd.redbone@gmail.com.

Volunteer on a Sunday:

If you would like to be a Sunday Greeter, help with the Sanctuary set-up, or help count the Sunday offerings, please contact Floyd Cox at 301-983-8274 or floyd.redbone@gmail.com. The schedules are flexible.



A WORD from John Widmann, Music Director



We have a tremendous celebration planned for April 20, Easter Sunday, to celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord. Musically, our service will include a brass quintet, which features two trumpet players, a French horn player, a trombone player and a tuba. The quintet will be playing several prelude pieces and will also play on all three hymns. Our postlude that day, "Grand Choeur Dialogue" is, like it sounds, a dialog, between the quintet and the organ. It was written by the French composer, Eugène Gigout (1844-1925). In addition to that, the quartet will accompany one of the choir anthems. Our Geneva Bell Choir will

...THAT TOGETHER YOU MAY
WITH ONE VOICE GLORIFY
THE GOD AND FATHER OF
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.



play with one of the hymns, and is also playing a bells-only piece.

In addition to the Easter offerings, both of our choirs will be playing special music for our liturgical Jubilee celebration service on May 18. Our Geneva Choir is singing a piece called "Oh, Sing Jubilee to the Lord". It was written by Stephen Folkemer (b. 1952), who is the Director of the Music Department at the Lutheran

Theological Seminary at Gettysburg. Our Geneva Bell Choir will also be playing an appropriate piece for the occasion, "Jubilate!", by Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952).



Enjoy singing with us!

GENEVA DAY SCHOOL NEWS from Suzanne Funk



Marvelous March was a busy month and included a number of wintry days. But now, we can wish you a Happy Awesome April and what we hope will be “real”

spring weather! While we enjoyed the snow, we are all looking forward to warmer days with blooming flowers and increased bird activity. The children are always excited to observe new signs of spring while they are outdoors!

March was full of activities throughout the school as it celebrated Dr. Seuss’ 110th birthday and St. Patrick’s Day, with lots of reported mischief by Leprechauns. It was also Dental Health Month and several dentists visited to reinforce proper dental hygiene.



The Parents’ Association sponsored a lovely Silent Auction and Dinner on the Ides of March, this year at the Washingtonian Marriott. Everyone enjoyed the evening of conversation and bidding. Proceeds will benefit the Geneva Scholarship Fund, which allows many students to continue benefiting from a Geneva education.

Awesome April will include several traditional Geneva events. The Kindergarten Class will be singing the National Anthem at a Bowie Baysox home game. Painted Lady Butterflies and other

insects will be delivered for class studies, and duck eggs will be delivered to Kindergarten to hatch and raise in mid-April. A GPA Father-Child Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, April 26, on the playground.

Geneva will be on Spring Break from April 14-21 with a return day to school on April 22. The Spring Break Camp is already full for little ones who need coverage during this time. Earth Days will be celebrated on Thursday and Friday, April 24 and 25, with many fun events scheduled outside. Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the end of the month and into early May.



Geneva is currently taking registration for Geneva’s Summer Camp, so suggest to family and friends to enroll their child now for great summer fun! Camp Director, Mr. Bullis, is planning special activities each week along with outside arts and crafts and water play, cooking, nature and creek walks, and more.

As you can tell, something is always happening at Geneva. Have an Awesome April and beautiful Easter!

Warm regards,
Suzanne Funk, Director

“JUBILEE TOASTS” for our JUBILEE BOOKLET

What a great opportunity to archive your message, wish, expression of congratulations on Geneva’s 50th Anniversary! Give Irene your contribution so you can be included in the history. You can leave a note in memory of or in honor of a loved one.....anything you like. It will be a wonderful completion to our Jubilee Booklet!

Email Irene at irene.genevapresbyterian@gmail.com.

JUBILEE BANQUET

RSVP to Irene at 301-424-4346 or irene.genevapresbyterian@gmail.com

and remember to select your dinner choice: *Roasted Chicken Roulade*, *Grilled Salmon Fillet*, or *Vegetarian Pasta*

Announcements and Upcoming Events



EASTER LILY SIGN-UP SHEET ~ please sign up for your Easter lily(ies). The sign-up sheet is up on the kiosk. **The lilies are \$15.00.** Please make checks payable to GPC and give to Irene Trypupenko in the church office, or place in the collection plate on Sunday. Please remember to mark "lily" in the memo section of your check.



"A Journey Through Jesus' Last Week" ~ Come join us for our FINAL Joint Ecumenical Lenten Bible Study this **Wednesday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m.** This session will be hosted by the Emmanuel Lutheran Church located at 7730 Bradley Boulevard. The Presenter will be the Rev. Adrian Nelson, II, on the Topic of "Jesus on Trial."

JOIN THE JUBILEE FUND! Our Jubilee banquet is right around the corner. You may have already received your invitation. If not, please see Renee Moloznik. The cost of the banquet dinner is \$50 per person. If you would like to sponsor one or two people with a gift of \$50, **please make your check out to GPC and note "Jubilee Fund" in the memo section.**



FOR THE JUBILEE BOOKLET ~ Please remember to give Irene your **messages, wishes, in honor or in memory of, etc.** to add to the **"Jubilee Toasts"** section in the back portion of the Jubilee booklet. **We have 2 so far, but I know we can get many, many more!**
Sample: **"Congratulations on your first 50 years! Irene Trypupenko"**

ALSO: PLEASE KEEP THE OLD PICS AND STORIES COMING!!!

JUBILEE BANQUET ~ Please RSVP by phone or by email to Irene Trypupenko in the church office and remember to give her your dinner choice: **chicken, salmon, or vegetarian pasta.** 301-424-4346 or irene.genevapresbyterian@gmail.com

EASTER EGG HUNT & YOUTH SCAVENGER HUNT! Don't miss out on the Easter Eggstravaganza, **right after worship on Easter Sunday.** There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for infants to age 4 and older siblings of Geneva students; and a Scavenger Hunt for ages 13 to Young Adult. Bring your own Easter baskets or bags! Contact Lisa Millet for details – 817-301-4223 or twinkiebug@msn.com.

REMINDER!

PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT ~ \$35.35

Please remember to pay your 2014 Per Capita Apportionment.
The amount is **\$35.35 per active church member.**



GENEVA'S OFFICERS 2014

Church Elders

Mark Allen, Chris Crecelius, Huguette Moussodou, Nick Owens, Rosie Perthel, Sara Sankey, Dianne Whitaker, Rolf Winch.

Church Deacons

Jeremy Balian, Stephanie Balian, Katie Brand, Floyd Cox, Adrienne Hahn, Renee Moloznik, Tom Sadler, Sheri Sankey, Janelle Thibau, Emma Wheatley.



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2014 Lenten and Easter Services



Lenten Readings

During the Sundays of Lent we will extinguish one purple candle in our crown of thorns wreath each week with a reading by Paul Dyck as a way to count the Sundays to Holy Week and Easter. The Denaburg family provided the crown of thorns wreath and candles.

Sunday, April 6, 10:30 a.m.: "Lenten Encounters"

The service will feature a series of monologs by different people who were there during the final week of Jesus' life on earth. The Children's Chimes will be participating in this service as well.

Passion/Palm Sunday, April 13, 10:30 a.m.: "Lessons in Lent"

We will have a service of readings and Lenten hymns and Anthems on the subject of Christ's Passion. All children will participate in the procession of the palms and the celebration of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 7:00 p.m.

We will celebrate Maundy Thursday with our traditional service of Tenebrae with communion. As we walk through the story of the last night of Jesus' earthly life, we will share the Last Supper with Him and His disciples. We will travel with Him to the garden of anguish and taste the fear of the disciples as the priests and soldiers arrive to arrest Jesus. We will sit around the courtyard fire with Peter. And with Peter, we will deny the Lord.

Easter Sunday, April 20

At 10:30 a.m. we will celebrate the Resurrection in the sanctuary, with the prelude beginning at 10:10 a.m. The sanctuary and English Handbell Choir will be joined by guest musicians and raise the roof with glorious music!

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PLEASE JOIN US EASTER SUNDAY
 for WORSHIP followed by a Youth
SCAVENGER HUNT
 April 20, 2014, 10:30 a.m.

Ages 13 to Young Adult

Siblings of Geneva students

HAPPY EASTER

GREAT AWARDS & PRIZES

RSVP to Lisa Millet 817-301-4223 twinkiebug@msn.com

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Easter Eggstravaganza

COME & JOIN US
 Easter Sunday Worship & Egg Hunt
 April 20, 2014, 10:30 a.m.

Awards & Prizes!!


Immediately after service!

Bring your Easter baskets!

HAPPY EASTER

Ages Infant to Age 4 and older siblings of Geneva students

RSVP to Lisa Millet
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 twinkiebug@msn.com



Please join in the celebration
Geneva Presbyterian Church
50th Jubilee Dinner

Saturday, May 10, 2014
6:00 PM

Lakewood Country Club

13901 Glen Mill Road
Rockville, Maryland

-Valet parking available-

Cost: \$50 per adult includes appetizers, dinner and dessert

Cash Bar

Dinner choices:

Roasted Chicken Roulade

Grilled Salmon Fillet

Vegetarian Pasta

Please RSVP by April 30th

(please include names of people attending and their dinner choice)

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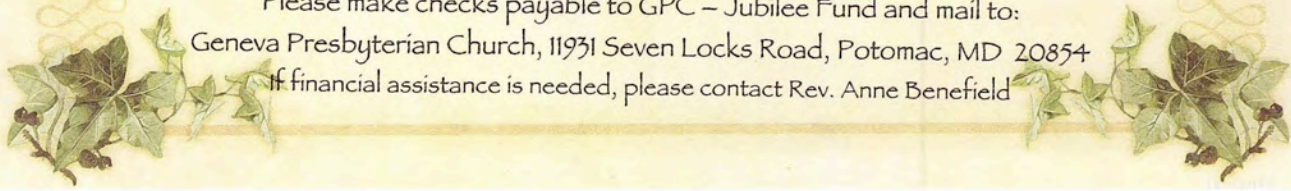
(301) 424-4346 or

irene.genevapresbyterian@gmail.com

Please make checks payable to GPC - Jubilee Fund and mail to:

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If financial assistance is needed, please contact Rev. Anne Benefield





THANK YOU TO MY FRIENDS FROM RUTH NUNN

"I hope all is well with you. Maybe spring has come to you sooner than to us. I hope so, for it has been a cold and snowy winter here. I can't really say that it bothered me all that much though, since I have not been outside since January! At least I am now back home. I am slowly getting back on my feet although a walker and a wheel chair are very handy pieces of equipment to have.

Please tell members of Geneva how much we appreciated the cards, phone calls and prayers during my convalescence. It certainly meant a lot to me to have people express their good wishes. Even though we live far away, we do think of all the folks there who meant so much to us over the years.

We are looking forward to having both sons with us on the weekend. David has already been here several times to help with meals, but Steve and Kelly live in Michigan, and their winter has been much worse than ours.

Anyway, I hope things are going well for you. Say hi to the GPW remnants!

Love, Ruth Nunn"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR FRIENDS CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS

- 3/1 Adam Brand
- 3/5 Isabelle Cherot
- 3/5 David Denaburg
- 3/5 Vince Lupo
- 3/8 Ellen Koch
- 3/9 Flore Kom Liapoe
- 3/9 Carl Perthel
- 3/9 Megan White
- 3/10 Adam Winchenbach
- 3/14 Nan Sprinkle
- 3/16 Rollin Franks
- 3/19 Mimi Ledoux
- 3/20 Kristina Dunne
- 3/21 Matthew Dunne
- 3/21 Danny C. Miller
- 3/24 Fiona Brand
- 3/24 George Hunt
- 3/28 Walter Sprinkle
- 3/29 Holly Allen
- 3/30 Lisa Miller
- 3/30 Veronique Weinstein
- 3/31 Toshiko Ota







- 4/1 Jane Campbell
- 4/3 Matthew Denaburg
- 4/7 Audrey Pike
- 4/11 John Wright
- 4/12 Dean Allen
- 4/13 Curtis Allen
- 4/13 Conor Cetola
- 4/14 Jake Moloznik
- 4/19 Ted Cetola
- 4/20 Steven Dunne
- 4/21 Corinne Alexander
- 4/24 Michael Mueller
- 4/25 Luis Galliani
- 4/25 Heather Mueller
- 4/26 Rhonda Ricci
- 4/28 Lauren Heimberg
- 4/29 Tyler Allen
- 4/30 Kyla Lupo
- 4/30 Jimmy C. Miller

RADIANT DEADLINE

The **deadline** for the **May/June 2014** Radiant will be **June 1**, with publication on June 8th. Please send your news to Marie Smith, hamblehants@yahoo.com by that date. Thanks!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 	2 7:00 Jesus' Last Week Bible Study at Geneva Presbyterian Church	3	4	5 5:00 Ministerios
6 5th Sunday in Lent 9:00 Geneva Choir 9:30 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship & Communion 11:00 Sunday School 11:45 Children's Chimes 2:00 Ministerios Women's Group 7:00 AA	7 10:00 GPW	8 7:00 Ministerios 7:15 Deacons	9 7:00 Jesus' Last Week Bible Study at Emmanuel Lutheran Church	10	11	12 5:00 Ministerios
13 Passion/Palm Sunday 9:00 Geneva Choir 9:30 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:00 Sunday School 11:45 Children's Chimes Potluck Fellowship Lunch 7:00 AA	14 10:00 GPW 7:30 Executive Committee	15 7:00 GDSPA 7:00 Ministerios	16 6:30 Geneva Choir 8:15 Handbell Choir	17  MAUNDY Thursday 7:00pm Tenebrae Service	18  GOOD FRIDAY	19 5:00 Ministerios 7:00 Fellowship Bridge
20 Resurrection of the Lord/Easter 8:15 Brass Practice 9:00 Geneva Choir 9:30 Bells Practice 9:30 Adult Bible Study 10:10 Prelude 10:30 Worship 11:00 Sunday School 11:45 EASTER EGG HUNT & SCAVENGER HUNT 4:00 Girl Scouts 7:00 AA 	21 10:00 GPW 7:15 Session	22 7:00 Ministerios	23 6:00 GDS Board	24	25	26 5:00 Ministerios
27 2nd Sunday of Easter 9:00 Geneva Choir 9:30 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:00 Sunday School 11:45 Children's Chimes 11:45 Worship Committee 7:00 AA	28 10:00 GPW	29 7:00 Ministerios	30	31		

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 ~ Bells Practice at 8:15 pm to rehearse Jubilee service piece.