

APRIL 24, 2022



GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Geneva Presbyterian Church

April 24, 2022

10:30am

The Gathering

Welcome to worship with Geneva Presbyterian Church! Whether you're joining us online or in person, we're glad you're here and grateful to be gathered as a community united in Christ. This is your spiritual home -- we encourage you to sing, pray, and be yourself just as God made you in this holy space.

We greet with open arms and open hearts guests and new church members across the full diversity of life, including differences in sex, gender identity, age, race, ethnicity, national origin, range of abilities, marital status, family structure, financial means, and education.

No matter who you are, you are welcome here and we hope you will feel home at Geneva.

Prelude

Welcome to the Worship of God

Silence and Introit

Call to Worship

Leader: Lord Jesus, you alone are the resurrection and the life; those who believe in you will never die.

People: I give you thanks, O God. Guide us in the way of eternal life.

Leader: The Day of Resurrection has dawned upon us, the day of true light and life. In Christ, the life of believers arose from the dead.

People: Let us give abundant thanks and praise to God, that we solemnly celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection.

Leader: Lord Jesus may be pleased to bestow on us quiet peace and special gladness by His favoring mercy.

People: We may rejoice in the gift of our Redeemer. Amen.

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show 33

(Psalm 150)

1 Praise the Lord! God's glo - ries show,
 2 Earth to heaven ex - alt the strain, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Strings and voic - es, hands and hearts,

saints with - in God's courts be - low,
 Send it, heaven, to earth a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia!
 in the con - cert, bear your parts,

an - gels round the throne a - bove,
 Age to age, God's mer - cies trace, Al - le - lu - ia!
 All that breathes, your Lord a - dore,

all who see and share God's love.
 Praise God's prov - i - dence and grace! Al - le - lu - ia!
 sing - ing praise for - ev - er - more,

Originally cast as two eight-line stanzas, this 19th-century paraphrase of Psalm 150 was slightly shortened when it was set to the present tune with recurring Alleluias. The Welsh tune is actually older than the text and bears a name meaning "the church of St. Mary."

TEXT: Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; rev. 1836, alt.
 MUSIC: Robert Williams, 1817; harm. David Evans, 1927
 Music Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press

LLANFAIR
 7.7.7.7 with alleluias

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(below in unison, then silent personal prayers)*

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that temptation, frustrations, and pressures beset us, and our new life in Christ can be easily compromised and betrayed. Help us be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. Let us silently confess our sins.

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response

SERVICE MUSIC

582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, ♯ with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, ♯ with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, ♯ with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

Joys and Concerns

(The Virtual Church recording is turned off during this portion of the service for privacy. We will resume recording after the Lord's Prayer.)

Prayers of the People; The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

God, source of all light, by your Word, you give light to our spirit. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that our hearts and minds may be opened to know your truth and your way. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 60:19-22

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

John 8:12-20

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"What does light mean to you?"

Rev. Stella Lee

Affirmation of Faith/Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic* Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen. *(*meaning all of God's churches)*

The Thanksgiving

The Offering



Music Offering

Prayer of Dedication

The Sending

Closing Hymn

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

#35

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

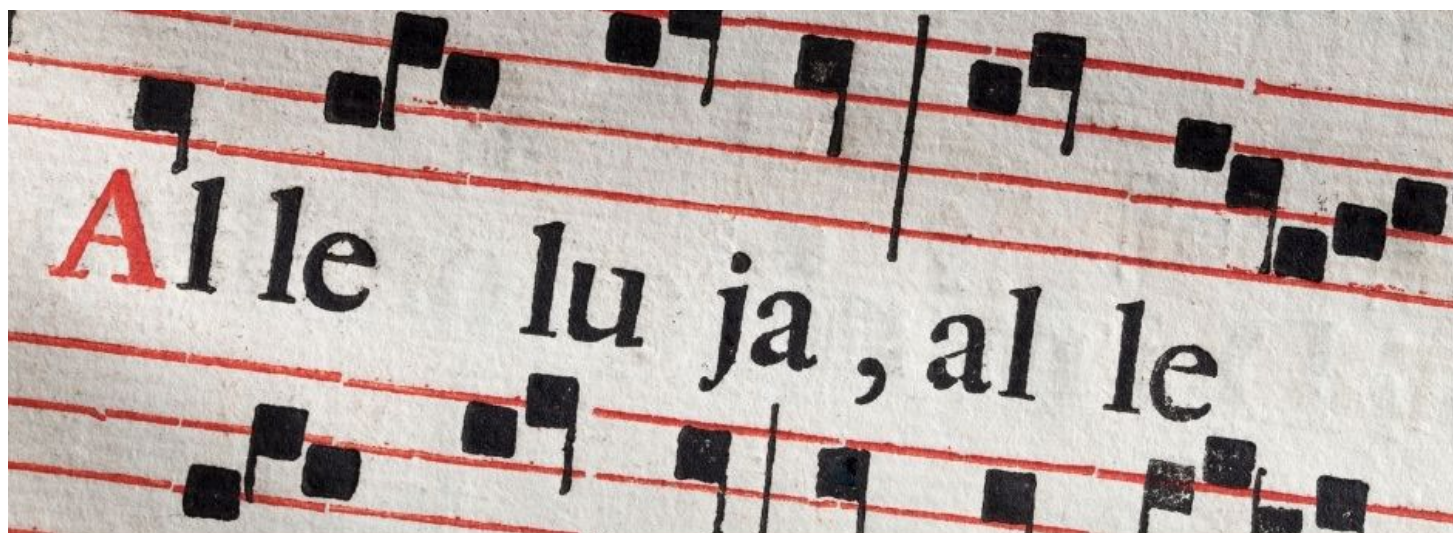
This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

TEXT: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.
MUSIC: Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

LOBE DEN HERREN
14.14.4.7.8

Charge and Benediction

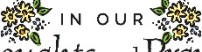
Postlude



About the Music...

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The closing hymn, a very strong 17th-century German hymn, employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

 IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Names in bold are new prayer list additions.
The work, worship, pastor and leadership of Geneva.

Comfort for the Family and Friends of

Carole Haller;

Earl Baker, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence;

John “Jack” Fossett, friend of Kyla and Vince Lupo;

Elaine Brasted;

Jim Torrence;

The family and friends of John McKenna, friend of Jim and Sara Torrence

Healing and Comfort for

Barbara and Paul Prosswimmer, health concerns;

Bob Lankford, friend since childhood of Sara Torrence, cancer

Robyn Alexander, recovering from knee surgery;

Nancy Morse, recovering from a fall;

Brent Davis, spine surgery;

James Dodaro, his family, and friends, in their grief;

The extended family of Dr. Lena Leonchuk, Jeff Alexander's coworker, who live in Ukraine;

Rosie Perthel, health concerns;

Bill Bryan, father of Letitia Denaburg, health concerns;

Pepe Marin, continued treatment for cancer;

Scott Brown, health concerns;

Nancy Rawson, health concerns;

Robin Kough, cancer treatment;

Tomoko Alexander, mother of Jeff Alexander, recovering from a fall and hip surgery;

Beverly Pitts Cain, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence, surgery from brain tumor;

Ken Adams, father of Juliet Hiemberg, health concerns;

Briana Cochran, cousin of Thibau Family, health concerns;

Rosalie Ruff, health concerns;

Ellie Croft, friend of Gretchen Winch, health concerns;

George Ehler, relative of friend of Ken Sprinkle, health concerns;

Betty Halls, health concerns;

Lorraine Leicht, Renee Moloznik's mother, health issues;

Dinah Paffrath, aunt of Renee Moloznik, receiving cancer treatments;

Carl Perthel, health concerns;

Isabelle Schuessler, friend of Scott Brown, health concerns;

Joanne Elder, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence, cancer;

Mary Bird, aunt of Renee Moloznik, health concerns;

Justin Pack, nephew of PJ Davis, diagnosed with ALS;

Daniel Adkins, nephew of Kyla and Vince Lupo, health concerns;

Donald Schuessler, friend of Scott Brown, health concerns;

Emilia Monte, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence, recurring cancer;

Jeff Leicht, Renee Moloznik's brother;

Judith Sadler, mother to Tom Sadler, mental illness and PG County guardianship care;

Leland Perthel, living with Post-Concussion Syndrome;

Sandra Kichefski, sister of Sheri Sankey, health concerns;

Zoë, friend of Bob and Rhonda Ricci, health concerns;

Prayers for Peace

Daniel Kough, son of Jack and Robin Kough, home from Afghanistan.

Walter Sprinkle, son of Ken and Nan Sprinkle, US Army Special Training

WELCOME TO GENEVA! We welcome you to this church and want you to feel at home. We want you to feel accepted here, and also challenged, even as we invite you to accept and challenge us. If you are new to this community or do not have a church home, we invite you to join us. Please contact a staff member using any of the emails on the back of today's bulletin.



Birthdays: Jane Campbell (4/1); Matthew Denaburg (4/3); Julia Moloznik (4/3); John Wright (4/11); Dean Allen (4/12); Curtis Allen (4/13); Jake Moloznik (4/14); Steven Dunne (4/20); Corinne Alexander (4/21); Scott Brown (4/24); Luis Galliani (4/25); Rhonda Ricci (4/26); Lauren Heimberg (4/28); Kyla Lupo (4/30); Jimmy Miller (4/30)

This Week at Geneva

Sunday, April 24	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Monday, April 25	7:00am	Meeting – Session
Wednesday, April 27	7:00pm	Bible Study – Online
Sunday, May 1	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online

- **Geneva Day School Has A New Director!**

The Geneva Day School Director Search Committee has recently completed its search for the next Director of the school. We are very pleased to announce that Ms. Daisy Lizama has been selected as the new school Director effective in June.



Ms. Lizama has been a teacher and educator at Geneva since 2007 and Summer Camp Director since 2016. She is passionate about teaching and doing what is in the best interests of each of her students. She creates a supportive and uplifting environment for her class and fellow educators. She has been an integral part of the school which has been honored and voted Best Preschool and Best Summer Camp by readers of the *Bethesda Magazine*.

The Search Committee is confident that Ms. Lizama will continue to create a nurturing learning environment for all of our young students, and a positive and supportive school for parents and staff. We are delighted to welcome Ms. Lizama as the next Director of Geneva Day School!

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Please add us to your social media channels. You can follow and like Geneva Presbyterian Church via Instagram and Facebook!

 @genevachurchpotomac on Instagram

 @Geneva Presbyterian Church on facebook

- **Humanitarian Aid: Supporting Compromised Mothers and Children**

Geneva Day School, the Geneva Parents' Association, and the Geneva Presbyterian Church are collecting goods and supplies to be sent via the Ukrainian Embassy and Ukrainian Orthodox Church. These will be distributed to mothers with young children both in the Ukraine and at its borders. Thank you for contributing, as you wish, to the collection boxes in the school and church lobbies.



Desired Items:

- Dried foods
- Dehydrated milk
- Ramen or pasta
- Easy foods to prepare
- Hygiene products (toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, and shampoo
(hotel samples are okay)
- Feminine products
- Diapers
- Wipes

Cash contributions may be sent to these agencies, as well:

- Ukrainian Red Cross
- Save The Children
- The UN Refugee Agency
- United Help Ukraine


Thank you!



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PLEASE SUPPORT GOD'S MINISTRY
THROUGH GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE, TABLET,
COMPUTER OR MAIL!

Three Ways to Give:

- **Online** - using this link -
<https://genevapotomac.org/give/online-giving/>
- **By App:** download **Vanco Mobile** , create an account, Invitation code for Geneva Presbyterian Church (Potomac, MD): **3DS2A8**
- **By Mail:** checks securely received at :
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- **Virtual Church with Geneva Presbyterian: Sundays @ 10:30am**

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://bit.ly/2SL4E76>

Meeting ID: 668 560 374

Password: 240543

One tap mobile

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- **Geneva Worship Videos**

Geneva Presbyterian worship videos are available on our church website the Monday following each service. Please share worship recordings with friends and family and join us for worship later if you couldn't make it live!

[Click HERE to watch our past Virtual Worship services!](#)



- **Updated COVID Guidelines**

Session has approved an updated set of COVID Guidelines for Geneva Presbyterian that are in line with changing pandemic guidelines and the needs specific to our congregation. Please review these guidelines when you come to Geneva in person.

Update Approved March 28, 2021

1. Masks will be optional at Geneva Presbyterian Church and encouraged for those at high risk.
2. Child care is being offered in a downstairs school classroom. Masks are encouraged if a child is able to wear one. Adults providing child care will continue to wear masks in the indoor spaces.
3. Offerings and donations may be made online or in the physical offering plate located next to the sanctuary doors.
4. Social Distancing is encouraged but not required. Please maintain a high level of respect for the comfort level of those around you when it comes to personal interactions.
5. Geneva Presbyterian will follow the CDC Covid-by-County Mapping that delineates a color coded warning level system of Green, Yellow, Orange indicating risk with respect to increase in Covid positive tests, deaths and overall vaccination status: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>
6. In the event that Montgomery County, Maryland falls into a Yellow or Orange status, Geneva will reimplement wearing masks and social distancing, and the Covid-Reopening Team will meet to determine other possible action.
7. These guidelines apply to everyone equally, regardless of vaccination status.

Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor; Ben Shaver, Music Director;
Jane Campbell, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host.

Church Elders

Jane Campbell, Carl Perthel, Tom Sadler,
Sheri Sankey, Ken Sprinkle,
Amanda White, Elaine Winch

Church Deacons

Ludivine Kom-Liapoe, Kyla Lupo,
Sheena Galliani, Bobbie Maxwell,
Allyson McElwaine, Renee Moloznik,
Rosie Perthel, Rhonda Ricci

If you have any ideas, suggestions or concerns, please share them with our officers.

Today's flowers are given by Sheri Sankey in honor of Kyla Lupo's Birthday.



Geneva warmly welcomes all our guests joining us today



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