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May 8, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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: Lift your hearts, raise your voices, and join the heavenly host who forever sing:

People: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.

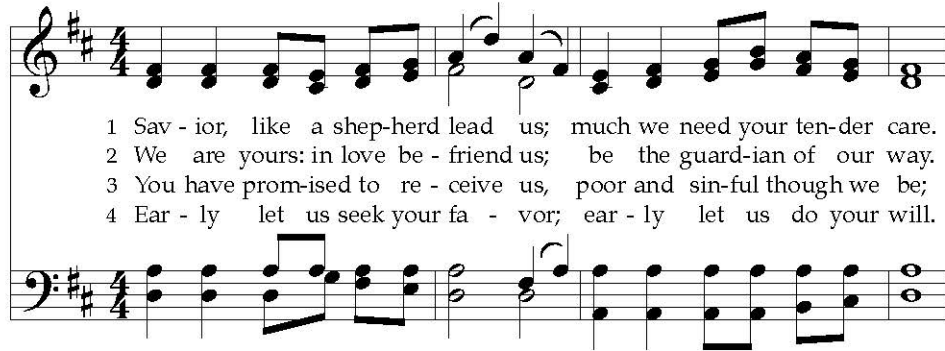
Opening Hymn

"Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

#187

(lyrics on next page)


Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us 187



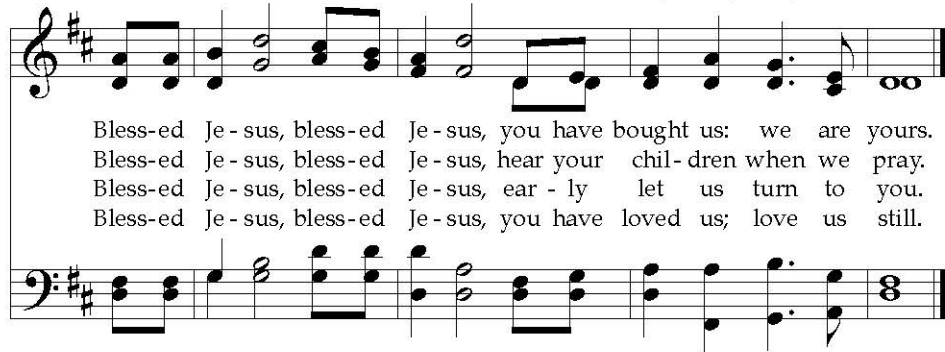
1 Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.
 2 We are yours: in love be - friend us; be the guard-ian of our way.
 3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;
 4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor; ear - ly let us do your will.



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us; for our use your fold pre-pare.
 Keep your flock: from sin de - fend us; seek us when we go a-stray.
 you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.
 Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us: we are yours.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.
 Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
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This unattributed hymn, like many that are now meaningful to adults, was written for children and develops shepherd imagery from Psalm 23 and John 10:1-13. The tune, composed for these words, was originally named for the text but has come to be known by the composer's name.

TEXT: Thrupp's *Hymns for the Young*, 1836, alt.
 MUSIC: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1859, alt.

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Call to Confession

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

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask for your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

Forgive us according to your loving-kindness, O God. In your great compassion, hear the silent prayers we offer now...

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response "Shepherd Me, O God"

PRAYER
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Shepherd Me, O God
(Psalm 23)

Capo 1: (Em)
Refrain Fm (C) D^b (G) A^b (D) E^b

Shep-herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -

(Bm7) (C) (Am7) (Bm7) (Em)
Cm7 D^b B^bm7 Cm7 Fm

yond my fears, from death in - to life.

He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Refrain

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 of the vine and the mustard seed, bless us in the reading and hearing of your Word today. May your glory grow in our hearts and bear forth good fruit in your Holy Name. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 53:1-6
This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Acts 9:36-43
This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"What Will They Lift Up?"

Rev. Patrick McElwaine

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

“The King of Love My Shepherd is”

arr. Mack Wilberg

Geneva Sanctuary Choir

Prayer of Dedication

The Sending

Closing Hymn

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

#65

(Lyrics on next page)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

TEXT: William Williams, 1762; stanza 1, trans. Peter Williams, 1771; stanzas 2-3, trans. William Williams, 1772
 MUSIC: John Hughes, 1907

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

 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: Terry Dunne (5/3); Alice Franks (5/5); Debbie Dunne (5/6); Cynthia Kaufmann (5/13); Katie Harris (5/30); Jeff Alexander (5/30)

This Week at Geneva

Saturday, May 7	10:00am	Neurodiverse Playground Get Together – Geneva Playground
Sunday, May 8	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
		
Wednesday, May 11	7:00pm	Bible Study – Online
Saturday, May 14	11:00am	Haller Memorial Service – In-Person and Online
Sunday, May 15	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online

MAY 2022 BIBLE STUDY SERIES

"THE END"

HOW DOES EACH OF THE FOUR GOSPELS TELL THE STORY OF JESUS POST-RESURRECTION FOLLOWING EASTER? AND, FOR THAT MATTER, HOW DOES EACH GOSPEL "END" THEIR STORY OF JESUS?

5/4/2022 - MATTHEW 28:11-20

5/11/2022 - MARK 16:1-20

5/18/2022 - LUKE 24:36-49

5/25/2022 - JOHN 21:15-19

**JOIN ZOOM MEETING
MEETING ID: 273 879 363
PASSWORD: 978348**

THIS WILL BE OUR FINAL BIBLE STUDY SERIES BEFORE TAKING A REST FOR THE SUMMER.

- **Carole and Henry's Memorial Service**

Will be held on Saturday, May 14th at 11:00am. All are invited to attend. In person or online (it will be the same worship link we use for Sunday mornings).

- **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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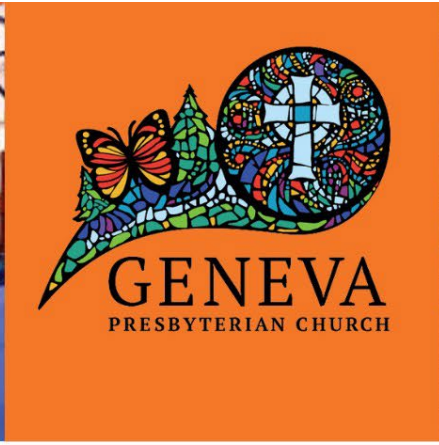


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every month**

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kiddos, their siblings
and caregivers**

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<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

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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;
Emmanuel Mbi, 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 to the Glory of God by the Geneva Presbyterian Family.



Geneva warmly welcomes all our guests joining us today



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