

**JUNE 26, 2022**



**GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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# Geneva Presbyterian Church

June 26, 2022

Third Sunday After Pentecost

10:30am

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## 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: In the turning that bends too quickly, too sharply, God invites us to make this wondrous journey.

**People: In the weight of chains we've come to befriend, God lures us into unimaginable freedom.**

Leader: In the very moments when it seems almost impossible, God calls our hearts to blossom with love.

**People: This is the God we have gathered to worship. Amen.**

JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN

275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er  
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of  
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the  
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his  
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth  
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ  
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we  
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and  
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from  
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for  
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's

Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.

TEXT: Martin Luther, 1529; trans. Frederick Henry Hedge, 1852  
 MUSIC: Martin Luther, 1529, alt.

EIN' FESTE BURG  
 8.7.8.7.6.6.6.7

armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.  
 age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.  
 lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.  
 truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.

## Call to Confession

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

Gracious Lord, you have blessed us with freedom — freedom to follow or to turn away; freedom to love or to hate; freedom to heal or to hurt. You ask only that we follow your ways, loving our neighbors as ourselves. In the midst of our turbulent lives, help us find teachers to show us the gifts you set within us. And help us claim these gifts today. We now open our hearts to you in silent prayer and confession...


## 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<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> 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<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> 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)*

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

**First Scripture Reading**

**Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20**  
This is the Word of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Second Scripture Reading**

**Galatians 5:1, 13-25**  
This is the Word of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

**“Freedom! Part 1”**

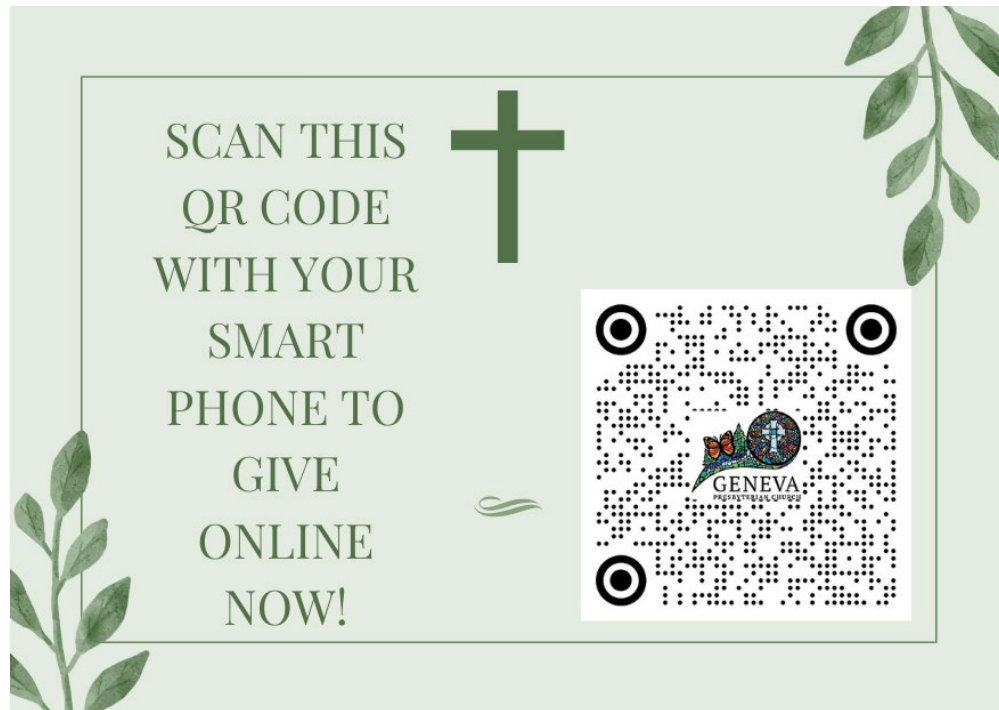
*Sara Sadler*

## **Affirmation of Faith/Apostles' Creed** *(From A Brief Statement of Faith of PC(USA))*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us the courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. Amen.

## **The Thanksgiving**

### **The Offering**



### **Prayer of Dedication**

# The Sending

Closing Hymn

“The Summons”

#726

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION

## 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C

1 “Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?  
 2 “Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?  
 3 “Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?  
 4 “Will you love the ‘you’ you hide if I but call your name?  
 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?  
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
 Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus) (A)  
 Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> Am7 B<sup>b</sup> Csus C

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

TEXT: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1967  
 MUSIC: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell, 1967  
 Text and Music Arr. © 1987 WGRG, Iona Community (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

KELVINGROVE  
 13.13.7.7.13

Charge and Benediction

Postlude



**Names in bold are new prayer list additions.**

The work, worship, pastor and leadership of Geneva.

**Comfort for the Family and Friends of**

**Erland Heginbotham**

**Winfree Irvine, friend of Sara Torrence, and fellow Rotarian**

**Earl Baker, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence;**

Carole Haller;

John "Jack" Fossett, friend of Kyla and Vince Lupo;

Jim Torrence;

**Healing and Comfort for**

**Betty Halls, health concerns;**

**Barbara and Paul Prosswimmer, health concerns;**

**Bob Lankford, friend since childhood of Sara Torrence, cancer**

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

Nancy Morse, recovering from a fall;

Robyn Alexander, recovering from knee surgery;

Brent Davis, spine surgery;

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

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;

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:** Olivia Denaburg (6/2); Betty Halls (6/5); Robyn Alexander (6/10); Nancy Morse (6/14); Nikki Heimberg (6/22); Linda Devine (6/24); Alexander Galliani (6/25); Jose Pepe Marin (6/26); Bridget McElwaine (6/29); Marie Smith (6/30)

## This Week at Geneva

Sunday, June 26	10:30am	<b>Worship</b> – In-Person and Online
Monday, June 27	-----	<b>Meeting</b> – Session Canceled,
Saturday, July 2	10:00am	<b>Neurodiverse Playground Get Together</b> – Geneva Playground
Sunday, July 3	10:30am	<b>Worship</b> – In-Person and Online
Monday, July 4		<b>Independence Day</b> – Office Closed

- **Thank you Sean Burns for filling in While Ben is away!**

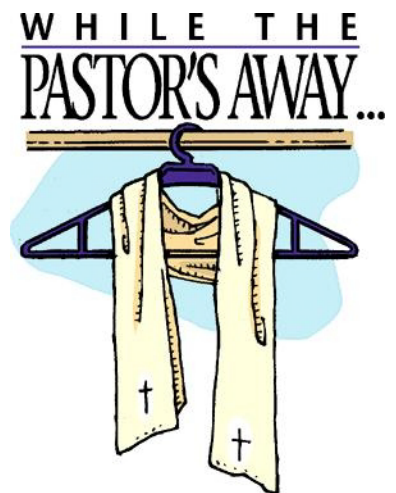
Sean Burns is a Philadelphia-area native who relocated to Washington, DC to pursue a law degree at Georgetown University Law Center. Before enrolling at Georgetown, Sean worked full time as a professional musician, dividing his time between the worlds of sacred music and vocal coaching. As an organist, Sean received a Master of Music at Westminster Choir College, where he studied with Alan Morrison. He then worked in several Philadelphia-area churches, most recently at Abington Presbyterian Church. In his vocal capacity, Sean worked at several universities and young artist programs for rising opera singers, most notably CoOPERative in Princeton, NJ and on the staff of the winter festival at Sarasota Opera in Florida.



- **Pastor Away**

A suggested best practice for pastors is to take two consecutive weeks of vacation each year in order to help them stay healthy, rest, and recharge. Pastor Patrick will be on vacation for two weeks in June and appreciates your support while he follows this advice.

Pastor Patrick will be away starting Monday, June 20 and return to work on Tuesday, July 5. If you have a pastoral need during this time, please contact your Geneva Presbyterian Deacon.



- **Worship Flowers**

Would you like to help add beauty to our worship of God? You are invited to purchase the worship flowers for our Sunday service! The cost is \$35 per week and the flowers can be dedicated in honor of or memory of a loved one or for another specified reason.

To sponsor our worship flowers for the week, please use our [SignUp Genius](#) (online payment available) or contact Melissa in the church office at [Melissa.genevapotomac@gmail.com](mailto:Melissa.genevapotomac@gmail.com) or (301) 424-4346.

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- **Online** - using this link -  
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**2022 Summer Sermon Series**  
**The Six Great Ends of the Church**

7/10 - The Proclamation of the Gospel for the Salvation of Humankind

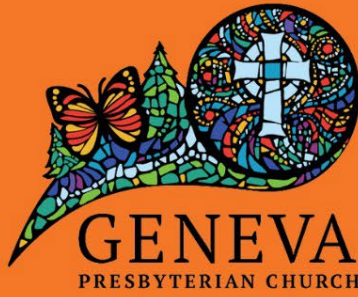
7/17 - The Shelter, Nurture, and Spiritual Fellowship of the Children of God

7/24 - The Maintenance of Divine Worship

7/31 - The Preservation of the Truth

8/7 - The Promotion of Social Righteousness

8/21 - The Exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the World



# NEURODIVERSE *Play Dates*



**in cold months**  
**We Rock the Spectrum**  
**7601 Airpark Rd, Suite E**  
**Gaithersburg, MD 20879**



**in warm months**  
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**1st Saturday of  
every month**

**10AM - 11AM**

# ALL ARE WELCOME

**Neurodiverse  
kiddos, their siblings  
and caregivers**

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- **COVID Guidelines**

COVID Guidelines for Geneva Presbyterian are based on the color coded CDC Covid-by-County Map and the needs specific to our congregation. Please review these guidelines when you come to Geneva in person.

**Approved March 22, 2022**

1. Masks are currently required inside the church building at Geneva Presbyterian Church.
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 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.

- **Virtual Church with Geneva Presbyterian: Sundays @ 10:30am**

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

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**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!](#)**



# Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor; Ben Shaver, Music Director;  
Mark Allen, 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 Sara and Tom Sadler's wedding anniversary



**Geneva warmly welcomes all our guests joining us today**



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