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GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Geneva Presbyterian Church

August 14, 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

on "Festal Song"

Wayne L. Wold (b. 1954)

Welcome to the Worship of God

Silence and Introit

Call to Worship

Leader: Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord.

People: Let us worship the Lord with gladness;

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with singing.

People: God, You are the Holy One our Lord. It is You who made us, and we are Yours; we are Your people, and the sheep of Your pasture.

Leader: We enter Your gates with thanksgiving, and Your courts with praise. We give thanks to You, we bless Your holy name.

All: For You are good; Your steadfast love endures forever, and Your faithfulness to all generations.

Leader: Let us sing praises to the Lord.

(Adapted from Psalm 100)

LIVING AND DYING IN CHRIST

815 Give to the Winds Thy Fears

1 Give to the winds thy fears; hope, and be
 2 Through waves and clouds and storms God gent - ly
 3 Leave to God's sov - ereign sway to choose and
 4 Let us in life, in death, thy stead - fast

un - dis - mayed. God hears thy sighs and
 clears the way. Wait pa - tient - ly; so
 to com - mand. So shalt thou, won - dering,
 truth de - clare, and pub - lish with our

counts thy tears; God shall lift up thy head.
 shall this night soon end in joy - ous day.
 own God's way, how wise, how strong God's hand!
 fi - nal breath thy love and guard - ian care.

This text uses selected stanzas from sixteen four-line English stanzas based on the original German text, which was twice as long. The German hymn was constructed as an acrostic on Martin Luther's translation of Psalm 37:5, and much of the spirit of that psalm is retained here.

TEXT: Paul Gerhardt, 1653; trans. John Wesley, 1737, alt.
 MUSIC: William H. Walter, 1872

FESTAL SONG
 SM
 (this tune in a higher key, 744)

Call to Confession

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

Faithful God, You let us have seen and experienced Your power, grace, and love countless times. Yet we still doubt Your goodness toward us. You changed our sinful status by your grace and mercy. Yet we persist in sinful patterns. You call us to be bold in our faith. Yet we often shrink back and hide from the life you call us into. Forgive us for caring more about what the world thinks than what You have instructed. Give us boldness to step into the abundant life You invite us to have. Let us silently confess our sins to God.


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

Joshua 1:1-6

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

John 4:5-26

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Jesus Never Gives Up"

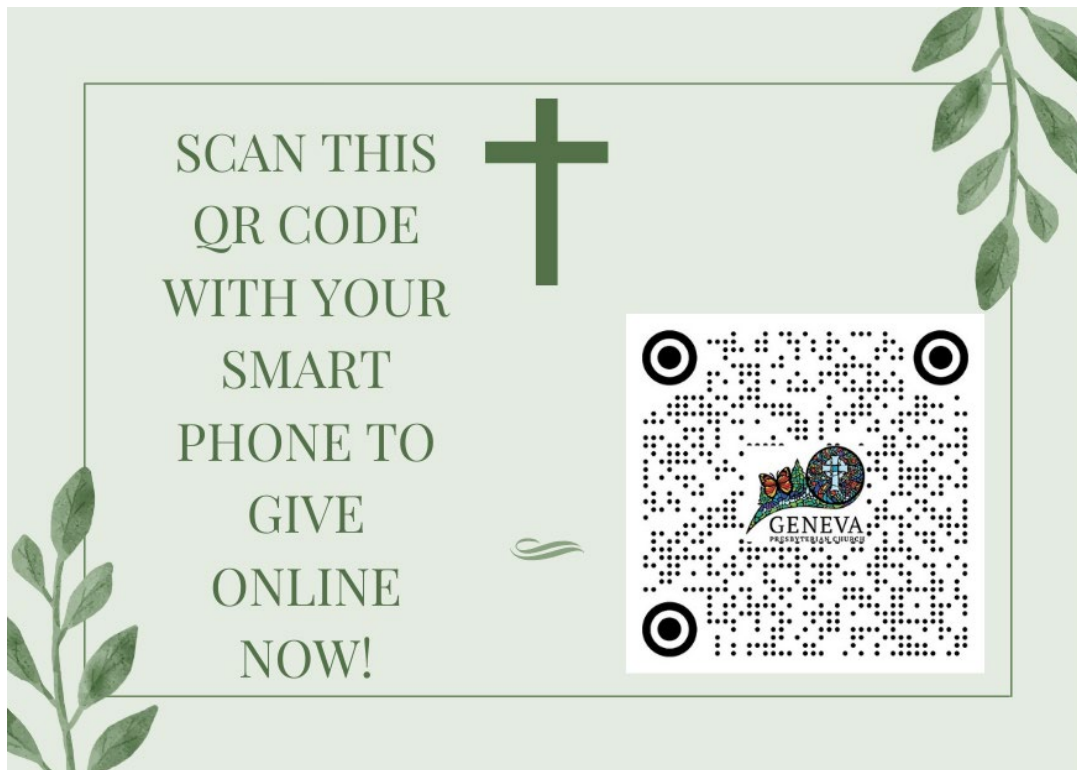
Rev. Stella Lee

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

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

#69

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL

69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord



1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est



made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

TEXT: Daniel L. Schutte, 1981, alt.
MUSIC: Daniel L. Schutte, 1981; harm. Alfred V. Fedak, 2011
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HERE I AM (Schutte)
7.7.7.4.D with refrain

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Tocatta in d-dorian, BWV 538

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)



Names in bold are new prayer list additions.

The work, worship, pastor and leadership of Geneva.

Comfort for the Family and Friends of

Mark Perthel, brother of Carl Perthel;

Erland Heginbotham;

Bob Lankford, friend since childhood of Sara Torrence;

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;

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

Brent Davis, spine surgery;

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;

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: Suzanne Funk (8/1); Alfonzo Lizama (8/2); Ken Sprinkle (8/8);
Caroline Ricci (8/9); Renee Moloznik (8/14); Judy Stiles (8/15);
Tom Maxwell (8/15); Jeanette Perthel (8/25)

This Week at Geneva

Sunday, August 14	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Wednesday, August 16	7:30pm	Meeting – Deacons
Thursday, August 17	11:00pm	Celebration of Life – Doris Williamson
Sunday, August 21	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online

- **Doris Williamson's Memorial Service**

Doris Williamson's memorial service will be held at Geneva Presbyterian Church on Thursday, August 17th at 11:00am. All are invited to attend, either in person or online (using the same worship link we use for Sunday mornings).



- **Welcome Cali Bronkema - Geneva's new Director of Next Generation Ministries!**

Cali Bronkema comes to us from First Presbyterian Church of Arlington, VA, where she has spent the last three years as their Director of Children and Youth Ministry. She fell in love with the DMV area while studying Communications, Law, Economics and Government at American University, which she graduated from in 2019.



She discovered her passion for working with children and youth while working at Johnsonburg Presbyterian Camp in New Jersey. She also hosts a podcast, "Generation Hope", through the new worshipping community Connect.faith. While she loves working with those under 18, she's also excited by all the possibilities that the title "Next Generation" brings, and can't wait to get to work imagining, discerning, and programming with Geneva!

Cali will begin her work and ministry with Geneva on Monday, August 29. Keep an eye on our social media pages to learn more about Cali between now and then - this would be a great time to follow us if you aren't already!

- **Deacon Helpers Needed**

Is God calling you to help our Deacons? Know of someone else who would be great for this? Please email Renee Moloznik or Pastor Patrick to let us know!

Deacons are community builders and relationship weavers in Geneva Presbyterian Church. As a team, they focus on caring and fellowship ministries. Though it's not time for an official election of church officers, our Deacons could still use the help of a few good people! We've already had one "yes" to this call - who in our midst will be next?

- **The Deacons want to know *your* opinion!**

We've planned some fun events for this year and we want to know what you think of them, and when you want them to happen. Fill out this quick 3 question survey and tell us what you think.

<https://form.jotform.com/221854859280162>

- **Special Thanks to Rev. Stella Lee!**

Stella Lee currently serves as a staff chaplain at UVA Community Medical Center, VA. Stella served for the First Presbyterian Church of Annandale as a Director of Family Ministries for five years in the past. She was ordained onto the hospital chaplaincy by the National Capital Presbytery. She is a graduate of Union Presbyterian Seminary, MDIV. She was originally born and raised in South Korea, where her family lives. Outside the ministry, she likes to enjoy being in nature, doing yoga and Zumba, and spending time with friends like her family here. She likes to start her day with morning devotionals and prayer to feed the hospital community every day. Her favorite quote is *"Better than a thousand hollow words, is one that brings peace"* by Buddha.



- **Thank you John Widmann for filling in While Ben is away!**

John Widmann is a freelance organist and carillonneur. He retired from teaching full time in Frederick County Public Schools a year ago in June, and has spent the entire last year living and studying carillon in Mechelen, Belgium. He received his diploma from the Royal Carillon School "Jef Denyn", the oldest, largest and finest carillon school in the world, in June. John was previously the Dean of the local, Potomac Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, and was also previously the Director of Music at Geneva, immediately preceding Ben Shaver.



John remains the City Carillonneur for the City of Frederick, playing recitals each Sunday at 12:30 on the Joseph Dill Baker Carillon in Baker Park, year 'round. He lives in Frederick with his wife, Diane, and sometimes their two adult sons.

- **Pastor Away**

Pastor Patrick will be away continuing his education starting Monday, August 8 and return to work on Monday, August 15. 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 or (301) 424-4346.

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

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COMPUTER OR MAIL!

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<https://genevapotomac.org/give/online-giving/>
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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>

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!](#)



Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor; Ben Shaver, Music Director;
Janelle Thibau, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host.
Tom Sadler and Sheri Sankey, Audio/Visual

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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