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December 25, 2022

Christmas Day

10:30am

Welcome to Christmas Morning worship with Geneva Presbyterian Church! May God fill your heart with peace, joy, and love as we worship on this blessed Lord's Day.

Prelude

Welcome to the Worship of God

Christmas Day Prayer

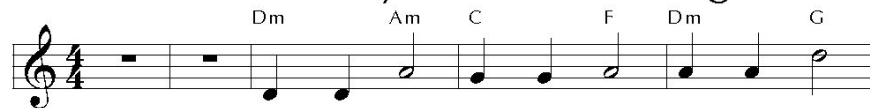
Hymn

"On This Day Earth Shall Ring"

#141

JESUS CHRIST: BIRTH

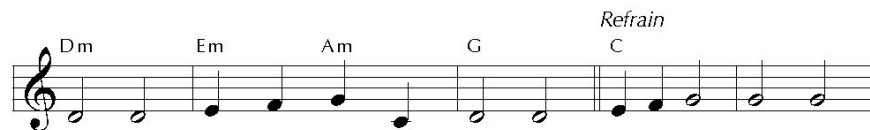
141 On This Day Earth Shall Ring



1 On this day earth shall ring with the song
2 His the doom, ours the mirth; when he came
3 God's bright star, o'er his head, wise men three
4 On this day an - gels sing; with their song



chil - dren sing to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to
down to earth Beth - le - hem saw his birth; ox and ass be -
to him led; kneel they low by his bed, lay their gifts be -
earth shall ring, prais - ing Christ, heav - en's King, born on earth to



save us; him the Fa - ther gave us.
side him from the cold would hide him. *Id - e - o - o - o,
fore him, praise him and a - dore him.
save us; peace and love he gave us.



id - e - o - o - o, id - e - o glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

*Therefore, glory to God in the highest.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

Lord Jesus, in our celebrating today point our hearts and minds clearly to you. Surround, infuse, and uphold this day in your matchless joy. Prepare our hearts for the coming of your Word as we turn to scripture now. In the power of the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Titus 3:4-7

Ben Shaver

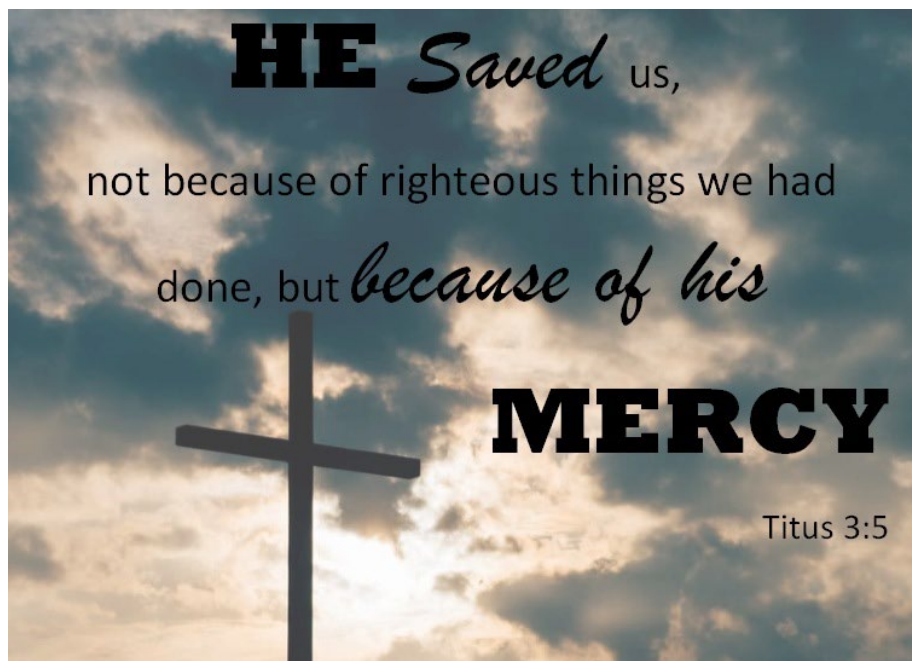
This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Cali Bronkema

Christmas Morning Reflection

Rev. Patrick McElwaine



JESUS CHRIST: BIRTH

132 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

1 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joi - ce with heart and soul and voice;
 2 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joi - ce with heart and soul and voice;
 3 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joi - ce with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He has o - pened heav - en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Carols using two languages, like this one dating from at least the 14th century, belong to a special group called “macaronic,” the original languages here being German and Latin. Though the present version is only in English, it is sung to the traditional German folk melody.

TEXT: Medieval Latin; trans. and para. John Mason Neale, 1853, alt.
 MUSIC: German folk melody, 14th cent.; harm. David Hugh Jones, 1953
 Music Harm. © 1955, ren. 1983 John Ribble (admin. Westminster John Knox Press)

IN DULCI JUBILO
 6.6.7.7.8.5.5

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

Mary Bird, aunt of Renee Moloznik;

Paul Prosswimmer;

Werner Haubrich, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence

Jens Thiedemann, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence

George Hunt, husband of Margot Hunt;

Pete Nunn, husband of Ruth Nunn;

Virginia Hughes, great aunt of Derrick Truby;

Donald Schuessler, friend of Scott Brown

Mark Perthel, brother of Carl Perthel;

Betty Halls;

Healing and Comfort for

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

Scott Brown, health concerns;

Barbara Prosswimmer, health concerns;

Margaret and Don Acton, parents of Amanda White, continued health concerns;

Lawrence Kushner, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence;

Ann Beaty, friend of Ben Shaver, health concerns;

Bill Linton, husband of a close friend of Sara Torrence, health concerns;

Sandra Poole, niece of Sara and Jim Torrence, treatment for cancer;

Paul Quin, husband of Pamela Wilson, health concerns;

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

Riley Young, hospitalization related to cerebral palsy;

Ryan Davis, nephew of Geneva Day School parents Ron and Zeina Davis, who is in critical condition following a car accident;

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

Brent Davis, spine surgery;

Rosie Perthel, health concerns;

Pepe Marin, continued treatment for cancer;

Nancy Rawson, health concerns;

Robin Kough, health concerns;

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

Ken Adams, father of Juliet Hiemberg, health concerns;

Rosalie Ruff, health concerns;

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

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;

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

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;

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.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

*Patrick, Cali, Ben &
Melissa*

- **Next Generation Ministries!**

Each Sunday, all children entering 5th grade and younger are encouraged to join us for Bridges to Worship! We invite all kids to stay in the Sanctuary through the children's sermon, where there will be activity bulletins, coloring pages and books for you to read. After the sermon, we will head down to the childcare room together. Each week we'll read a book or do a craft as a group, and then have some time for play. We'll return to worship after the sermon. If your child is not yet ready to join us in the Sanctuary, the childcare room will still be open for the entirety of the service.



GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
INVITES FAMILIES TO A

NEW YEAR CELEBRATION PARTY

Featuring Slush and Krust: The Party
Place for Neurodiversity! Pizza,
games and giveaways!

January 7th, 11am-1pm
Geneva Presbyterian Church
Potomac, MD

RSVP HELPFUL BUT NOT REQUIRED
VIA EVENTBRITE

- Join Geneva Presbyterian Church in the New Year!

WINTER SERMON SERIES: JONAH

*Dive deeper into this well known
story with us!*

**SUNDAYS AT 10:30
STARTING MID-JANUARY
IN PERSON OR ONLINE**

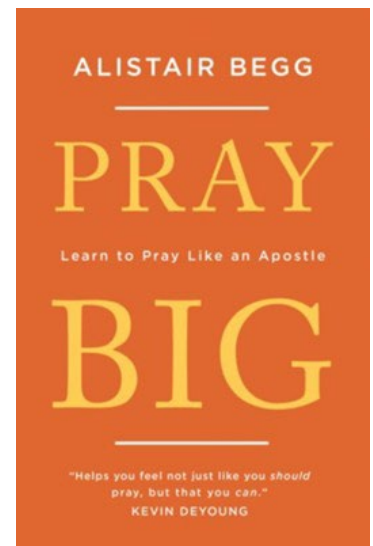
Chapter by chapter, verse by verse, in the new year we'll explore this story through fresh eyes to make connections with the New Testament and the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.



- **Bible Study Update!**

Join us Wednesdays @ 7:00pm via Zoom **beginning January 4, 2023**, as our Bible Study group shifts gears to read together through Alistair Begg's book "Pray Big: Learn to Pray Like an Apostle". This eminently practical and applicable book will help deepen, develop, and direct your prayer life like no other! Make sure to get a copy and mark your calendar -- if you need help to obtain a copy, please contact the church office.

Virtual Bible Study: Wednesdays @ 7:00pm
Join Zoom Meeting: <https://bit.ly/3c3kscZ>
Meeting ID: 273 879 363
Password: 978348



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- **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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- **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.

We are now in "the green zone" for Covid transmission in Montgomery County, which triggers "mask optional" per Session's approved policy

Approved August 22, 2022

1. Wearing of masks is optional at Geneva Presbyterian Church.
2. Please maintain a high level of respect for the comfort level of those around you when it comes to personal interactions.
3. 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>
4. 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.
5. 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

One tap mobile

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+16465588656,,668560374# US (New York)

- **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;

Ben Shaver, 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, Allyson McElwaine, Renee Moloznik, Rosie Perthel, Sara Sadler, Janelle Thibau

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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