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Get Prepared For Communion When Worshiping online!

Today we will be sharing the sacrament of The Lord's Supper during worship. Here's how it will work and how you can prepare if you are worshiping with us online:

- **Gather your own communion elements from around your home.** Jesus chose common foods of his day for the first communion: bread and "fruit of the vine." What common starch do you have available? In countries around the world, the commonly available starch may be tortillas or rice, so those are used. What beverage feels right for you to use? Not everyone has juice in the home, so you might need to be creative.
- **Please:** in preparing for communion and choosing your elements, do so thoughtfully and with reverence for the sacrament we will share.
- **Our blended community of online and in person worshipers is gathered together in holy space and on holy ground.** The liturgy and prayers will serve to consecrate all of our elements into one common meal at the Lord's Table.

It is a joy to share the Lord's Supper together – let us gather in remembrance of Jesus who is the Eternal Host at this table.

With Grace and Peace,
Pastor Patrick

Geneva Presbyterian Church

October 1, 2023

World Communion Sunday

10:30am

Childcare is available in a downstairs classroom -- please ask an Usher for help.

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

“Christians, We Have Met to Worship” arr. Sondra K. Tucker
Geneva Handbell Quartet

Welcome to the Worship of God

Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the LORD!

People: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Leader: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

People: The works of God's hands are faithful and just, and all God's precepts are trustworthy.

Leader: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; God's praise endures forever!

– Psalm 111, selected verses

LORD'S SUPPER

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Taste and See

(Psalm 34)

Capo 1: (E) (B) (A) (E) (A)
 Refrain F C B^b F B^b

All

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness

(E) (F[#]m) (B7) (E) (B) (A)
 F Gm C7 F C B^b

of the Lord. O taste and see, taste and

(E) (A) (E) (F[#]m7) (B7) (E)
 F B^b F Gm7 C7 F *Fine*

see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

(E) (G[#]m7) (Amaj7) (E) (F[#]m7)
 F Am7 B^bmaj7 F Gm7

Leader or All

1 I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall

(E) (F[#]m7) (B7) (E) (G[#])
 F Gm7 C7 F A7

al-ways be on my lips; my soul shall glo-ry in the

Because the first half of verse 8 is the emotional high point of Psalm 34, this paraphrase fittingly uses it as a refrain. In the Christian context of the Lord's Supper, the invitation to participate ("taste") is joined with the promise of blessing ("see that the Lord is good").

(C#m) (C#m7) (A) (E) (F#m7) (B7)
Dm Dm7 B^b F 3 Gm7 C7 *to Refrain*



Lord, for God has been so good to me.

(E) (G#m7) (Amaj7) (E) (F#m7)
F *Leader or All* Am7 3 B^bmaj7 F Gm7



2 Glo-ri-fy the Lord with me. To-gether let us

(E) (F#m7) (B7) (E) (G#7)
F 3 Gm7 C7 F A7



all praise God's name. I called the Lord, who answered

(C#m) (C#m7) (A) (E) (F#m7) (B7)
Dm Dm7 B^b F 3 Gm7 C7 *to Refrain*



me; from all my troubles, I was set free.

(E) (G#m7) (Amaj7) (E) (F#m7)
F *Leader or All* Am7 3 B^bmaj7 F Gm7



3 Wor-ship the Lord, all you people. You'll want for

(E) (F#m7) (B7) (E) (G#7)
F 3 Gm7 C7 F A7



noth-ing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is

(C#m) (C#m7) (A) (E) (F#m7) (B7)
Dm Dm7 B^b F 3 Gm7 C7 *to Refrain*



good; in God we need put all our trust.

Call to Confession

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

Blessed Trinity, you call us to be a holy people, for You are holy. You call us to flee from sin, but do we really? In honesty we are far more likely to accept the “halfway done,” the “close enough,” the “I’ll get to that eventually.”

Merciful Lord, convict our hearts of our transgressions. Let us not grow comfortable with sin in our lives, but rather empower us in your Spirit to mortify it completely. Hear our personal prayers of confession and come to our aid now...

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 (sung on Communion Sundays)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on Earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from our time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours. Now and forever, Amen.

Passing of the Peace

"Here I am To Worship"

A7sus D A/C#

So, here I am to wor-ship, here I am to bow down, here I am to

12 D/F# G D

say that You're my God. And You're al - to - geth - er love - ly, al - to - geth - er

15 A/C# D/F#

wor - thy, al - to - geth - er won - der - ful to me. _____

17 G G2(no3)

The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

Open our hearts to your word and your teaching, O Lord, that we may understand and rejoice in your will. In the unmatched name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Ephesians 6:10-18a

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Cali Bronkema

(Children 5th grade and younger are invited to join Bridges to Worship in the downstairs classroom following the Children's Sermon. Please join NextGen Director Cali Bronkema in the rug area to participate!)

Second Scripture Reading

Mark 1:21-28

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Jesus' First Healing"

Rev. Patrick McElwaine

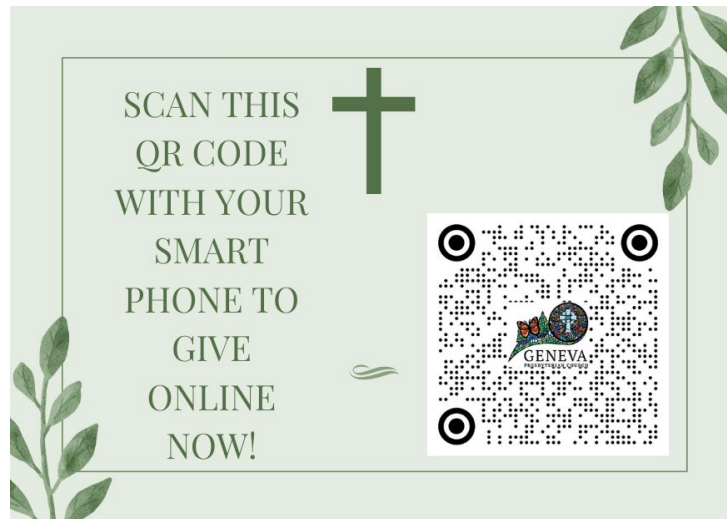
Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

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

Beloved, we invite you to join in the ministry of this church with your tithes and offerings. Your gifts may be received in the physical offering plate in the back of the sanctuary or online using the QR code in your bulletin. Let us give generously and joyfully.



Music Offering

Prayer of Dedication

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Communion Music

"We Gather Together"
Geneva Handbell Quartet

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

Communion Prayer

The Sending

Closing Hymn

"Feed Us, Lord"

#501

Feed Us, Lord 501

D G/B Asus A D G/B Asus A G D/F#

1 Feed us, Lord. Feed us, Lord. In the bro - ken bread,
2 Quench us, Lord. Quench us, Lord. On this thirst - y ground,
3 Fill us, Lord. Fill us, Lord, with the bread and wine
4 Lead us, Lord. Lead us, Lord, nour-ished here by Christ,

G A B Em D/F# G D

be re - vealed a - gain. Come and feed our hearts, O Lord.
may your love flow down. Come and quench our hearts, O Lord.
of the ris - en Christ. Come and fill our hearts, O Lord.
giv - en strength for life. Come and lead our hearts, O Lord.

Not many Lord's Supper hymns call attention to the post-Resurrection meals Christ shared with his disciples, but the first stanza here alludes to the meal at Emmaus, when he was made known in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:13-35), and stanza three refers to "the risen Christ."

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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

Annamaria G. Winch, Rolf Winch's mother;

Ken Adams, father of Juliet Hiemberg;

Jacqueline Thibau, Mother of Eric Thibau;

Toshiko Ota, founding member of Geneva Presbyterian Church;

Kevin Nichols, son of a friend of Sara Torrence;

Jo Ann Elder, friend of Sara Torrence;

Siegfried Pasternak, father of a friend of Sara Torrence;

Lorraine Leicht, Renee Moloznik's mother;

Healing and Comfort for

Eleanor Rassmussen, Allyson McElwaine's aunt, health concerns;

John Wright, health concerns;

Logan, niece of Janelle Thibau health concerns;

Mike Sydoriak, health concerns;

Tom Voith, brother of Elaine Winch, health concerns;

Maxine Carey, health concerns;

Bob Daraskevich and his family, friend of Kyla Lupo undergoing cancer treatment;

Emmanuel Mbi, recovering from surgery;

Nancy Morse, recovering from knee surgery;

Scott Brown, health concerns;

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

Logan Bronkema, Cali Bronkema's brother, health concerns;

John Hanson, friend of Sara Torrence, health concerns;

Bill Bryan, father of Letitia Denaburg, health concerns;

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

Paul Quin, husband of Pamela Wilson, health concerns;

Rosie Perthel, health concerns;

Pepe Marin, health concerns;

Nancy Rawson, health concerns;

Rosalie Ruff, health concerns;

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

Isabelle Schuessler, friend of Scott Brown, health concerns;

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

Walter Sprinkle, son of Ken and Nan Sprinkle, on an overseas assignment

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: Leland Perthel (10/2); Ken Denaburg (10/4); Ed Devine (10/5); Amanda Devine (10/6); Brendan Davis (10/8); Matt Kough (10/10); Bobbie Maxwell (10/11); Eric Thibau (10/12); Jeremy Devine (10/15); Jack Kough (10/16); Pete Nunn (10/16); Letitia Denaburg (10/18); Patsy Wright (10/23)

This Week at Geneva

Wednesday, September 27	6:00pm	Bible Study – *NEW TIME* - Zoom
Sunday, October 1	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Sunday, October 1	11:30am	1st Sunday's Coffee Hour
Tuesday, October 3	6:00pm	Food for the Soul
Wednesday, October 4	6:00pm	Bible Study – *NEW TIME* - Zoom
Saturday, October 7	11:00am	Neurodiverse Playground Get Together – Geneva Playground
Sunday, October 8	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Tuesday, October 10	6:00pm	Food for the Soul
Wednesday, October 11	6:00pm	Bible Study – *NEW TIME* - Zoom

Weekly Virtual Bible Study

Wednesdays

6-7 pm

Zoom:

Meeting ID: 273 879 363

Password: 978348

Join us as we make our way through the book of Phillipians!



STEPPING INTO THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Join us for worship as we dedicate a year to the Gospel of Mark! We'll journey through the book together to better understand scripture, Jesus, and how it all relates to our own lives.

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FOOD FOR THE SOUL OCTOBER 2023



A time for community building, spiritual development and good food! Childcare provided.

6:00 pm

- Oct. 3rd, Host Family
- Oct. 10th, Host Family
- Oct. 17th, Geneva Founders Room, Potluck

If you would like to be a host family, or simply attend, please email Cali to RSVP!
(nextgen.genevapotomac@gmail.com)

Quartet Members

Jane Campbell

Rosie Perthel

Liz Pinaire

Elaine Winch



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THROUGH GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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- **Online by visiting our website:**

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

- **By Mail:** checks securely received at:

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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!

Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor; Ben Shaver, Music Director;
Mark Allen, Lector; Tom Sadler, Zoom Host.
Ken Sprinkle 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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