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Geneva Presbyterian Church

October 22, 2023

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

Call to Worship

Leader: You are my witnesses, says the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen,

People: so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he.

Leader: Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me.

People: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

Leader: I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

– Isaiah 43:10, 18&19

Opening Hymn

“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”

#305

(Lyrics on next page)

305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
 2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,
 3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
 For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988-1989 observance, which had the theme "Celebrate the Journey." The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.

TEXT: Brian Dill, 1988
 MUSIC: John Darwall, 1770
 Text © 1989 Brian Dill

DARWALL'S 148TH
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Prayer of Confession *(below in unison, then silent personal prayers)*

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, do not hide your face from us in displeasure. Do not hand us over to our own sinfulness. Do not allow us to stumble in our wanderings.

God of grace, have mercy on us. Deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. Draw us near to you again in forgiveness. Help us to share with you honestly all that needs confessing as we pray in this silence...

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.

Passing of the Peace

“Here I am To Worship”

Musical score for the hymn "Here I am To Worship". The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four lines of music with lyrics underneath. Chord symbols are placed above the notes.

Line 1: Chords: A^{7sus}, D, A/C#. Lyrics: So, here I am to wor-ship, here I am to bow down, here I am to

Line 2: Measure 12. Chords: D/F#, G, D. Lyrics: say that You're my God. And You're al - to - geth - er love - ly, al - to - geth - er

Line 3: Measure 15. Chords: A/C#, D/F#. Lyrics: wor - thy, al - to - geth - er won - der - ful to me.

Line 4: Measure 17. Chords: G, G^{2(no3)}. The line ends with a double bar line.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

God of new and eternal life, your grace is our daily bread. Nourish us in this reading and proclaiming of scripture so that we may grow in faith, be filled with love, and follow joyfully where your Holy Spirit leads. Amen.

First Reading

Mark 2:13-17

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 Reading

Mark 2:18-22

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Tax Collectors, Sinners, and New Wineskins"

Rev. Patrick McElwaine



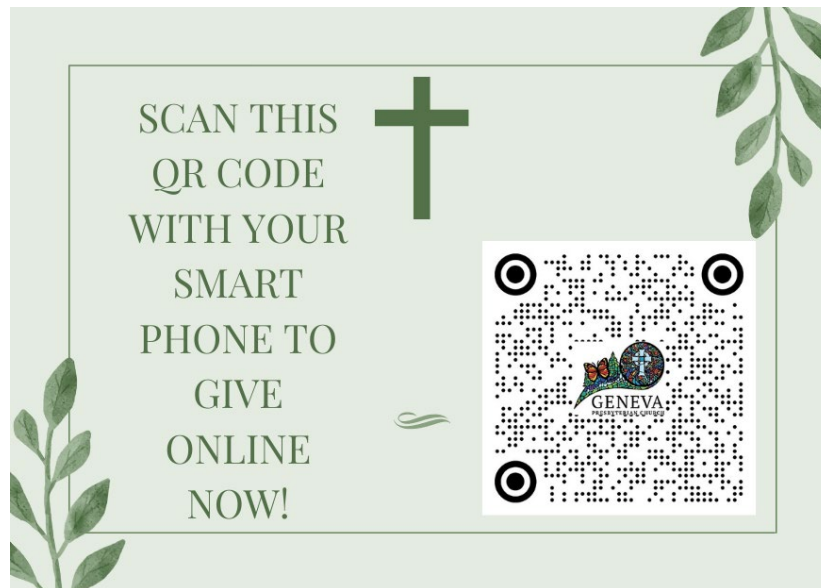
Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

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 Sending

Closing Hymn

“What Is the World Like”

#771

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

What Is the World Like 771

Capo 1: (G) A^b (Em7) Fm7 (C) D^b (D) E^b

1 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 2 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 3 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 4 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 5 These are the sto - ries that Je - sus im - parts,

(Em) Fm (C) D^b (Am) B^bm (B7) C7

Mus - tard seeds grow more than we can con - ceive:
 Wit - ness the wan - der - ing child com - ing home;
 No more is neigh - bor just al - ly or friend;
 Read - y for feast - ing, we watch through the night,
 filled with the Spir - it who joins us as one.

(Em) Fm (Am) B^bm (D) E^b (G) A^b

roots thread the soil; branch - es reach for the sun.
 watch as the par - ent breaks in - to a run.
 peace thrives in plac - es where once there was none.
 tend - ing our lamps till the new day's be - gun.
 Born through our voic - es, our hands, and our hearts,

(C) D^b (Em7) Fm7 (Am7) B^bm7 (D) E^b (G) A^b

This is how God moves us each to be - lieve.
 This is how God longs for us when we roam.
 This is how God works when ri - val - ries end.
 This is how God read - ies us for the light.
 this is a new world where God's will is done.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text and tune were written to conclude a hymn festival at the 2009 Annual Conference of The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada. Four parables framed both the festival and the hymn: the Mustard Seed, the Prodigal Son, the Good Samaritan, and the Ten Bridesmaids.

TEXT: Adam M. L. Tice, 2009
 MUSIC: Sally Ann Morris, 2009
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NEW WORLD
 10.10.10

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

Janet Lupo Neidermuller, sister-in-law of Vince Lupo;

Tom Voith, brother of Elaine Winch;

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;

Lorraine Leicht, Renee Moloznik's mother;

Healing and Comfort for

John Wright, health concerns;

Logan, niece of Janelle Thibau health concerns;

Mike Sydoriak, health concerns;

Eleanor Rassmussen, Allyson McElwaine's aunt, 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

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| Sunday, October 22 | 10:30am | Worship – In-Person and Online |
| Monday, October 23 | 7:00pm | Meeting - Session |
| Wednesday, October 25 | 6:00pm | Bible Study – *NEW TIME* - Zoom |
| Sunday, October 29 | 10:30am | Worship – In-Person and Online |
| Sunday, October 29 | 1:30pm | Trunk N Treat |
| Wednesday, November 1 | 6:00pm | Bible Study – *NEW TIME* - Zoom |
| Saturday, November 4 | 11:00am | Neurodiverse Playground Get Together – Geneva Playground |
| Sunday, November 5 | 10:30am | Worship – In-Person and Online |
| Sunday, November 5 | 11:30am | 1st Sunday Coffee Hour |

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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SERMON
SERIES



Geneva Presbyterian
Invites You To:

Trunk N' Treat

29 October

1:30-3:30

Featuring Slush and Krust

Crafts - Games - Candy

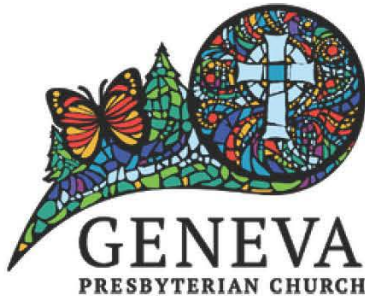
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Free!





National Capital Area Council for Scouting (BSA)



Food Drive



Drop Off by November 4th!

Church Narthex and Day School Lobby

**Bring Your Best Foods
To Fight Hunger**



Most Needed Foods:
Grains
Proteins
Canned Fruits and
Vegetables
Other Healthy Items

**PLEASE SUPPORT GOD'S MINISTRY
THROUGH GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE, TABLET,
COMPUTER OR MAIL!**

Ways to Give:

- **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;
Alice Franks, Lector; Tom Sadler, Zoom Host.
Curtis Chimba 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,
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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