

OCTOBER 29, 2023



REFORMATION
Sunday

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October 29, 2023

Reformation 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

Welcome to the Worship of God

Call to Worship

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the LORD is God. It is God that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

People: Enter the LORD's gates with thanksgiving. Give thanks to God, bless his name.

Leader: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

– Psalm 100

Opening Hymn

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

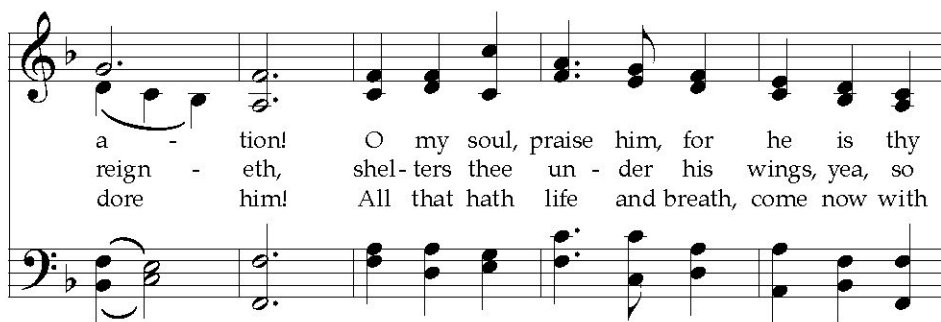
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(Lyrics on next page)

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty



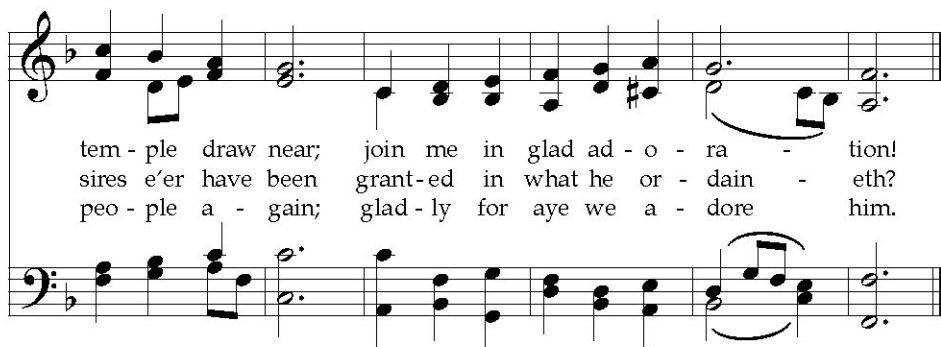
1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

TEXT: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.
MUSIC: Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863

LOBE DEN HERREN
14.14.4.7.8

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

Eternal God, in every generation you have raised up believers to cherish your Name and your ways. We confess to treating both lightly and with little regard in day to day living.

Holy One, in your mercy forgive us and rekindle a love for rightly using your name. For rightly addressing you with reverence. For rightly trusting and obeying your word. In this way, Lord we pray, remake the foundation of our hearts so that we may love and serve you faithfully...


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) (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 staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "So, here I am to wor-ship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're al - to - geth - er love - ly, al - to - geth - er wor - thy, al - to - geth - er won - der - ful to me." The score includes chord markings: A7sus, D, A/C# above the first staff; D/F#, G, D above the second staff; A/C#, D/F# above the third staff; and G, G2(no3) above the fourth staff.

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The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify you in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Mark 3:1-6

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 3:7-12

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Battle Lines"

Rev. Patrick McElwaine



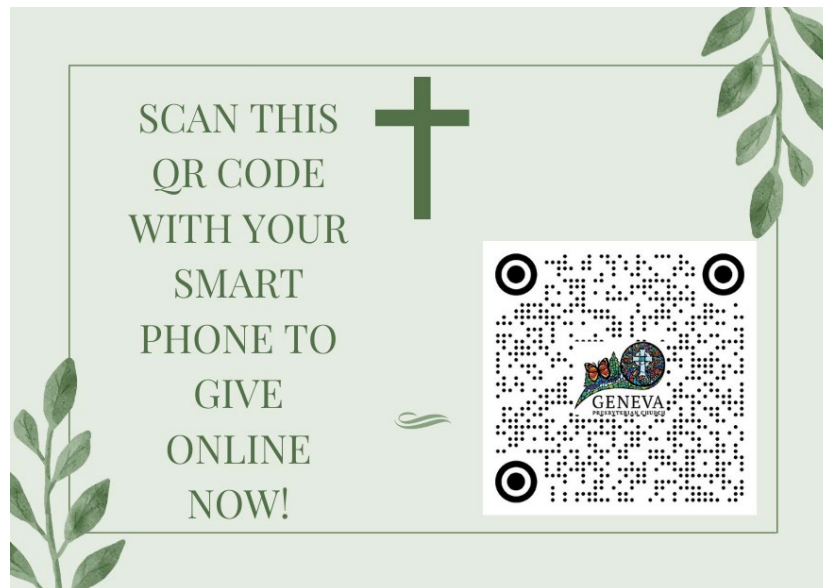
Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

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

"In Christ Alone"

arr. Lloyd Larson

Prayer of Dedication

The Sending

Closing Hymn

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

#775

LAMENT AND LONGING FOR HEALING

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me 775

1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

The two equal phrases in each line suggest that this African American spiritual shares some characteristics of work or field songs that were used to coordinate the efforts of slaves involved in tasks (road clearing, ditch digging, etc.) that needed combined rhythmic strokes.

TEXT: African American spiritual
MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Nolan Williams Jr., 2000
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WALK WITH ME
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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

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

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

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

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	2:00am	Daylight Savings Time Ends
Sunday, November 5	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Sunday, November 5	11:30am	1st Sunday Coffee Hour
Wednesday, November 8	6:00pm	Bible Study – *NEW TIME* - Zoom
Sunday, November 12	9:00am	Joyful Noise Worship – In-Person
Sunday, November 12	9:30am	Caregivers Coffee – In-Person
Sunday, November 12	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Sunday, November 12	11:45am	Annual Congregational Meeting – In-Person and Online

Geneva Presbyterian
Invites You To:

**Trunk
N'
Treat**

29 October

1:30-3:30

Featuring Slush and Krust

Crafts - Games - Candy

11931 Seven Locks Road. Potomac, MD

Free!



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

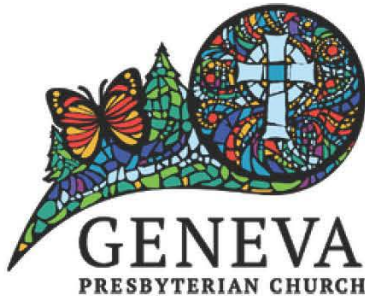
Join us for worship as we dedicate a year to the Gospel of Mark! We'll journey through the book together to better understand scripture, Jesus, and how it all relates to our own lives.

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SERMON
SERIES





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

Annual Congregational Meeting: Sunday, November 12 @11:45am

Please join us for the Annual Congregational Meeting following worship Sunday, November 12th (in-person or on-line). The Annual Report will be distributed soon via email. If you would like a printed copy mailed to you, please contact Office Administrator, Melissa Cutler at (301) 424-4346 or melissa.genevapotomac@gmail.com.

ANNUAL MEETING

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.



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;
Mark Allen, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host.
Sheri Sankey and Ken Denaburg, 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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