

MAY 5, 2024



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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

May 5, 2024

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

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome to the Worship of God

Call to Worship

Leader: Brethren, as we gather today let us remember Christ's humility with the Apostle Paul's own words, imitating our Lord,

People: "who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

Leader: but emptied himself, taking on the form of a servant, being born in human likeness.

People: And being found in human form, he humbled himself, and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross."

Leader: Let us sing with loud voices of praise to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

- Philipians 2:6-8

JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN

260 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the

3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, here on earth our food, our

4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o - tent we

throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to -

stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to you from

own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your foot - stool,

ry a - lone! Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on

day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,

heaven your throne. As with - in the veil you en - tered,

The author regarded this text as a communion hymn, a theme that seems eclipsed by the attention to Christ's exaltation, but a helpful reminder that such hymns are not always quiet and meek. This text is sung to various tunes, but this rousing Welsh one is a favorite choice.

TEXT: William Chatterton Dix, 1866, alt.
MUSIC: Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831, alt.

HYFRYDOL
8.7.8.7.D

thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
 earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the songs of
 robed in flesh, our great high priest; here on earth both

ev - ery na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."
 all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Call to Confession

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

SERVICE MUSIC

Alleluia!

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Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
 MUSIC: Fintan O'Carroll, 1981; harm. Christopher Walker, 1985
 Music © 1985 Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker (Published by OCP)

CELTIC ALLELUIA

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.

THE CHURCH

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness 314

Christ, Be Our Light

Em Am7 Bm7 Esus Em

1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for

Am7 Bm7 Esus Em Am7

truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,

D G C Am Dsus D

your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.

Refrain G C G Em Bm Em

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the

Am7 D G Dsus D Em Em7

dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your

C Am7 D G Am7 G

church gath - ered to - day.

By blending biblical images and current vignettes in the present tense, this hymn connects Christ’s promise that he is the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) and his charge to his followers to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). This is part of the church’s servant calling.

TEXT and MUSIC: Bernadette Farrell, 1993
Text and Music © 1993 Bernadette Farrell (Published by CCF)

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT
9.8.9.6 with refrain

The Word

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives. In the power of the Holy Spirit we pray; Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Mark 10:32-34

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 10:35-45

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"No Crown Without A Cross"

Rev. Patrick McElwaine

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.

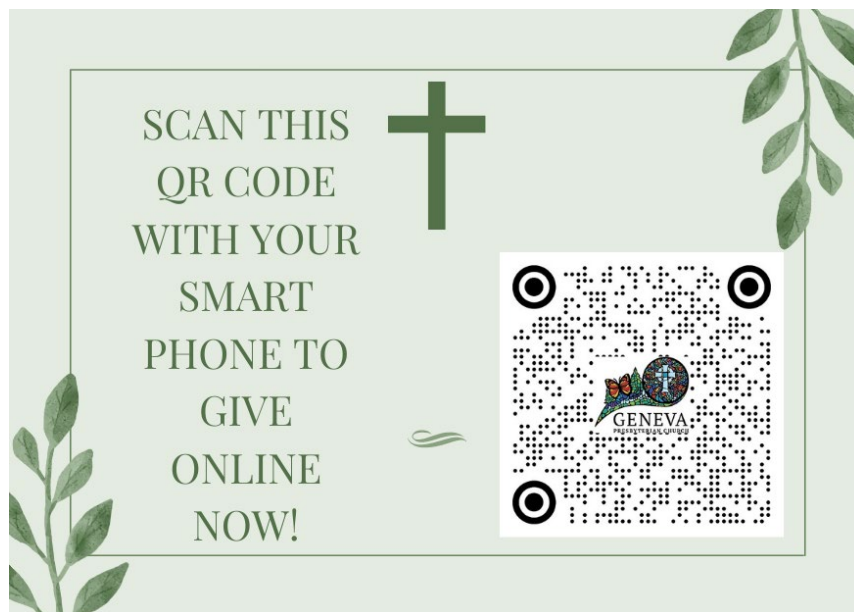
*(*meaning all of God's churches)*

The Thanksgiving

The Offering

“We Remember You”
Geneva Sanctuary Choir

Lloyd Larson



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 Prayer

The Sending

Closing Hymn

“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”

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DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant 727 The Servant Song

1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney; we're to -
3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the

be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the
geth - er on the road. We are here to help each
night - time of your fear. I will hold my hand out

grace to let you be my ser - vant too.
oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.
to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

(repeat stanza 1)

The opening and closing stanza expresses the essence of this folk-style song about the mutuality of servant ministry: those who serve must also be willing to be served. This is what Christ intended when he commanded the disciples to “wash one another’s feet” (John 13:14).

TEXT: Richard Gillard, 1977; alt.
MUSIC: Richard Gillard, 1977; arr. Betty Pulkingham
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THE SERVANT SONG
8.7.8.7

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

John Regan, Friend of Patrick and Allyson McElwaine;

Tim Butcher, friend of Sara Torrence;

Emmanuel Mbi;

Kathy Torrence, niece of Jim and Sara Torrence;

Henry Tyrrell, friend of Jim and Sara Torrence;

Annamaria G. Winch, Rolf Winch's mother;

Ken Adams, father of Juliet Hiemberg;

Lori Miller, Friend of Beth Sherman;

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

Jacqueline Thibau, Mother of Eric Thibau;

Healing and Comfort for

Derrick Truby, health concerns;

Elena Storms, Geneva Day School teacher, surgery;

Amanda Hewitt, friend of the church;

Bud Riley, Rebecca Winch's father-in-law;

Bob Galvin, extended family of Patrick and Allyson McElwaine, kidney transplant;

Elmer Sanchez, Friend of Allyson McElwaine, health concerns;

Bill Bryan, father of Letitia Denaburg, health concerns;

John Wright, health concerns;

Mike Sydoriak, health concerns;

Logan, niece of Janelle Thibau 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;

Nancy Morse, health concerns;

Scott Brown, health concerns;

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

John Hanson, friend of Sara Torrence, 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 of 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: Terry Dunne (5/3); Alice Franks (5/5); Debbie Dunne (5/6); Cynthia Kaufmann (5/13); Katie Harris (5/30); Jeff Alexander (5/30)

This Week at Geneva

Sunday, May 5	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Wednesday, May 8	6:00pm	Food for the Soul – Host Families
Sunday, May 12	9:00am	Joyful Noise Worship – In-Person
Sunday, May 12	9:30am	Caregivers Coffee
Sunday, May 12	10:30am	Worship – In-Person and Online
Wednesday, May 15	6:00pm	Food for the Soul – Host Families

Joyful Noise Service

A SENSORY FRIENDLY WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us for a time of movement, learning, and joyful noises! All are welcome.

2nd Sunday of the Month

9-9:30: Worship
9:30-10:15: Caregivers Coffee Hour

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Bells of Geneva in Concert

with Flutist Jaylan Jones

May 18, 2024
6:00 P.M.

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**BRADLEY HILLS PRESBYTERIAN
& GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN
INVITE YOU TO:**



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024

WHAT?

Join us for a week of music, games, crafts and faith formation! We will come together to celebrate our identities as beloved creations of God. We will practice sharing what we have, finding our community, and using our voices for others!

WHEN?

August 19-23rd
9am - Noon.

WHERE?

Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church
6601 Bradley Blvd
Bethesda, MD

QUESTIONS?

Email Rosanna at Bradley Hills:
Rosanna@bradleyhillschurch.org

or Cali at Geneva:
nextgen.genevapotomac@gmail.com

HOW MUCH?

Register by May 26th: \$80/child
Register by June 30th: \$95/child
Register by August 5th:
\$110/child
Scholarships are available for any family who needs one.

FOR WHOM?

This program is for children ages 4 years old (as of 9/1/24) through rising 5th graders. 6th - 12th graders are welcome as volunteers (reach out for a volunteer registration form).

REGISTER HERE:





GPC'S

SUMMER KICKOFF PICNIC

Get ready to fire up your taste buds and celebrate the start of the summer!

Please bring a side or dessert, and let us know if you'd like to help grill.



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- **By Mail:** checks securely received at :
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Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor; Ben Shaver, Music Director;
Jane Campbell, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host.
Ken Denaburg and Tom Sadler, Audio/Visual

Church Elders

Kyla Lupo, Julie Moloznik, Tom Sadler,
Sheri Sankey, Ken Sprinkle,
Amanda White, Elaine Winch

Church Deacons

Eve Dailey, Sheena Galliani,
Allyson McElwaine, Carl 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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