

**MAY 26, 2024**



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# Geneva Presbyterian Church

**May 26, 2024**

**Trinity Sunday**

**10:30am**

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*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: Jesus calls us to go and make disciples,

**People: baptizing them in the triune name of God.**

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

**People: the earth is full of the glory of God.**

Leader: We have peace with God through Jesus Christ;

**People: we have love from God through the Holy Spirit.**

THE TRIUNE GOD

# 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

*Descant*

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - mighty - y!  
 1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,  
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - mighty - y!  
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - mighty - y!

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!  
 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Much of the imagery of this hymn comes from Revelation 4:2–11, which its author, an Anglican bishop, knew as a reading appointed for Trinity Sunday. The tune, written specifically for this text, reinforces the Trinitarian theme by strong dependence on the D-major triad.

TEXT: Reginald Heber, 1827, alt.;  
 Korean trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea; Spanish trans. Juan B. Cabrera  
 MUSIC: John Bacchus Dykes, 1861; desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948  
 Korean Trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea  
 Music Desc. © 1948, ren. H. W. Gray Co., Inc. (a div. of Belwin-Mills Publishing Corp.)

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ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

## Call to Confession

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

God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we sometimes get too caught up in the specifics. We ask such lofty questions that we forget the basics: do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God. Love God and your neighbor as yourself.

Lord, forgive us, and help us to live according to your will. When we get in our own way, bless us with gentle reminders of your grace and call us back to the joy of your abundant love. Forgiving God, we open our hearts to you now in silent prayer...

## Assurance of Pardon

### Congregational Response “Glory to God whose Goodness Shines on Me” #582

SERVICE MUSIC

## 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)  
B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> 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<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> 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.

# Rain Down

48

Capo 3: (D) (F#7) (Bm) (D7) (G)

F A7 Dm F7 Bb

Rain down; rain down; rain down your

(D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D) (F#7) (Bm)

F/A Gm7 C7 F A7 Dm

love on your peo - ple. Rain down; rain

(D7) (G) (Em) (A7) (G) (D)

F7 Bb Gm C7 Bb F

down; rain down your love, God of life.

This refrain comes from a longer song based on Psalm 33, but the striking image of God’s love falling like rain is not actually present in that psalm. That image may be based on Ezekiel 34:26, where God promises to send showers of blessing upon the people of the covenant.

TEXT: Jaime Cortez, 1991  
 MUSIC: Jaime Cortez, 1991; arr. John Carter, 2001  
 Text and Music © 1992 Jaime Cortez (Published by OCP)

RAIN DOWN  
 Irregular

## The Word

### Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor and praise to your threefold name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### First Scripture Reading

**Mark 11:27-33**  
 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 Cali Bronkema in the rug area to participate!)*

## Second Scripture Reading

**Mark 12:1-12**

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

**"A Heart Open to Correction"**

*Rev. Patrick McElwaine*



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

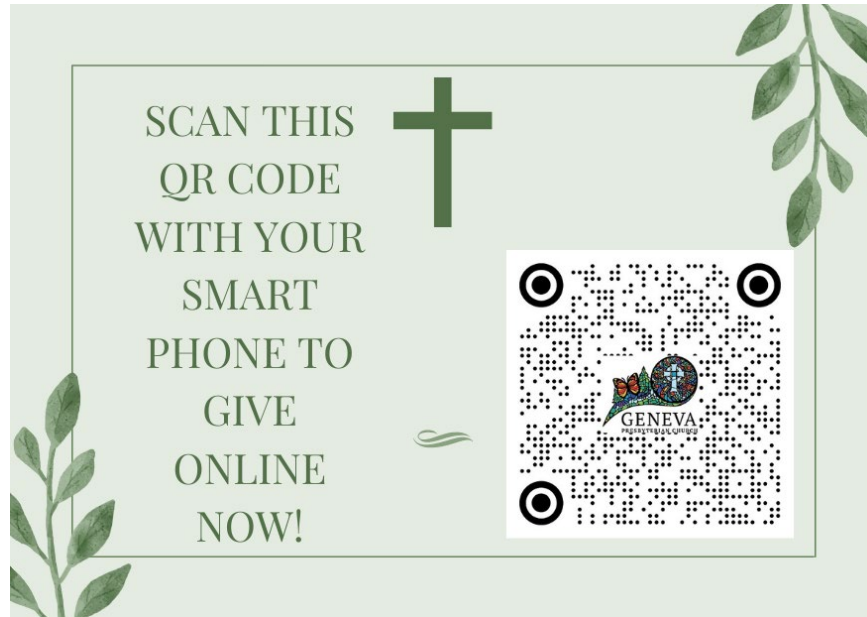
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; 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



## Music Offering

## Prayer of Dedication

# The Sending

## Closing Hymn

**“As the wind Song”  
(Lyrics on next page)**

**#292**

## 292

## As the Wind Song

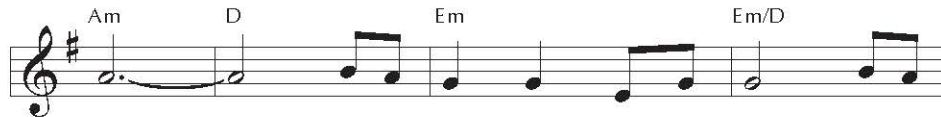
## 風之頌



1 As the wind song through the trees, as the  
 2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the  
 1 風之頌, 林中吹送, 輕風之  
 2 彩之虹, 雨後高懸, 生風之



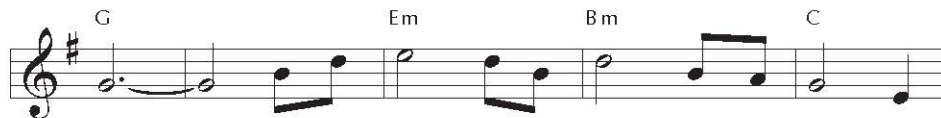
stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 送, 心中振動, 上主的靈如風吹  
 盼, 人間再現, 上主的靈如風吹



God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the  
 God, as the green in the spring, as a  
 送; 心溫暖, 奇異難明, 風浪  
 送; 春天裡, 青山綠水, 線上



voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 中, 靜聽主聲, 上主的靈如風吹  
 繫飛揚風箏, 上主的靈如風吹



God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has  
 God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come  
 送; 眼不見, 心未明, 風來去何  
 送; 大地萬象更新, 和平終實

Reversing the usual order, this hymn began with the music rather than the words. The composer (from Singapore) sent this tune to the author (in New Zealand) to see what text it might inspire from her. She also suggested the tune name, a Maori phrase meaning "Holy Spirit."

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



blown bring-ing life, bring-ing power to the world,  
 true, bring-ing gifts, bring-ing love to the world,  
 蹤, 給 世 人 賜 生 命 加 力 量;  
 現, 給 世 人 帶 來 愛 和 禮 物;



as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -  
 as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the  
 火 之 舌, 跳 動 飛 舞, 心 深 處, 朝 思 暮  
 麵 之 酵, 悄 然 膨 升, 盛 宴 上, 醇 香 美



sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
 feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
 想, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。  
 酒, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。

**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**

**David Allen, Cali Bronkma's Grandfather**

**John L. Sever, fellow Rotarian and friend of Sara Torrence and Jim Harris**

**Robert Owers, friend of Sara Torrence**

**Bill Bryan, father of Letitia Denaburg;**

**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;

**Healing and Comfort for**

**Peggy Bronkema-Allen, Cali's Grandma, loss of a loved one;**

**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;**

John Wright, 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;

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**

**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 26	10:30am	<b>Worship</b> – In-Person and Online
Monday, May 27		<b>Memorial Day</b> – Office closed
Saturday, June 1	11:00am	<b>Neurodiverse Playdate</b> – Geneva
Sunday, June 2	10:30am	<b>Interactive Worship Service</b> – In-Person and Online
Sunday, June 2	12:00pm	<b>Summer Kickoff Picnic</b>

I'll be away for continuing education May 28-30. If you have any pastoral need during this time please contact your Deacon.



# GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN SUMMER PLAYDATES

**June 15th**  
**11am-12pm**

**Popsicle Playdate**

For all families - join us for  
popsicles and playground  
fun!

**July 20th**  
**11am-12pm**

**Popsicle Playdate**

**August 17th**  
**11am-12pm**

**Popsicle Playdate**



**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](mailto:Rosanna@bradleyhillschurch.org)

or Cali at Geneva:  
[nextgen.genevapotomac@gmail.com](mailto: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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# Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor; Ben Shaver, Music Director;  
Jane Campbell, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host.  
Sheri Sankey and Curtis Chimba, 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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