## PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH: NOVEMBER 12, 2023

*Please keep the following people in your prayers. Please call the church office with the names of those you would like to have included in the prayers. Names will remain on the list for 3 weeks. Should you wish to have a person remain on the list longer, please notify the church office.*

### RECENT CONCERNS

Janet Helm
Ryker Schiele, grandson of Nancy Harrington
Pastor Luther Mason, Greenstone UMC & Dorcas Ministry
Charles & Marilyn Kayton, parents of Nancy Hansen
Christine Lieggi, cousin of Sherry Duffett
Jaxon Morrighan, grandson of Ginny & Sam Aharrah
Tricia Monaghan, niece of Margot Monaghan
Lucy Jo Hale, granddaughter of Cheryl Mennerick's cousin Brenda
Phil Carter, friend of Janet Helm
Teri, mother of Janet Helm's friend Andrew
Bill Kirkwood, friend of Margot Monaghan
Prayers for those affected by Mass Shootings, Natural Disasters & other Traumas
Prayers for those caught in the Violence of War: Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia, & Sudan
Prayers for those persecuted for their Faith
Prayers for Peace & Reconciliation in the World

### ON-GOING CONCERNS

Wayne Belec
Bruce Benstein
Bill Weckler
Wayne Peterson
John Fasbender, Autumn Leaves of St. Charles
Bev Larkin, Lake Shore Manor - Sebring, FL
Dorothy Urbaitis & Rick Olaerts
Marilyn Bradley - The Holmstad - Batavia
J. Fazel, GreenFields of Geneva
Gordon Wilson - Brighton Gardens of St. Charles
Shirley Anderson - Autumn Leaves of St. Charles
Ron & Marge Maier, Bickford of St. Charles
Vaughn Siarny, Alden North Shore Rehab Center - Skokie
Marie MacKenzie, DuPage Care Center - Wheaton
Larry Lounsbury, Tower Hill – South Elgin
Jamie McConnell, daughter-in-law of Jim & Linda McConnell
Davy Shaffer, grandson of Vicki Shaffer
Teri Payne, sister of Pastor Becky Nicol
Jason Biffle, husband of Sherry & Gary Duffett's niece Christa
Ronald Hill, brother of Lorie Montanye
Clement & Drisilla Dwyer, friends of Cheryl Mennerick
Dwight & Leatha Newberry, cousins of Cheryl Mennerick
Bill Marshall, brother of Deb Schiller
Caregivers caring for Loved Ones at Home

### THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Bryan Kelsey, son of Bruce & Diane Kelsey
Jeffrey Jungknecht, nephew of Jim & Jennifer Karwoski
Adam Dahlberg, son of Patricia & Andrew Dahlberg
Lynda Cooke, granddaughter of the late Emilie Marquez
Reed Arrott III, son of Reed & Ruth Arrott, Jr.
Matthew & Allison Isely, son & daughter-in-law of Mike & Vicki Isely
William Lyon, grandson of the late Gwyn Lyon

### MISSION EMPHASIS

Good Night Sleep Tight and The Neighbor Project

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*Welcome to The United Methodist Church of Geneva! We gather not as strangers but as friends in Christ!*

*In our order of service below, the words in* ***bold type*** *we speak together as a congregation. An asterisk (*) invites us to stand in body or in spirit.*

*Restrooms with changing stations are out the rear doors of the sanctuary and to the right. Further down the hall from there is our parlor. We broadcast a live-stream of our worship there and have play items for children. We also have a play space in the rear, north corner of our sanctuary. The parlor and this space are available to all persons.*

*Large print bulletins & hearing devices are available from our Ushers.*

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CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

"You should never hate anyone, even your worst enemies. Everyone has something good about them," [Jeannette's mom] said. "You have to find the redeeming quality and love the person for that." "Oh yeah?" I said. "How about Hitler? What was his redeeming quality?" "Hitler loved dogs," Mom said without hesitation."

*— Jeannette Walls, The Glass Castle*

WELCOME *Pastor Rob Hamilton*

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER *John Kemble*

*OPENING HYMN 549 *(red hymnal)*
"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *Dr. Greg Coates*
*(All children and youth are invited to Sunday School.)*

PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH *John Kemble*

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)* *John Kemble*

**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 trespasses,**
**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**
**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

ANTHEM "Ubi Caritas" - Duruflé *Chancel Choir*
*(see insert for lyrics and translation)*

*SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:43-48; 1 John 3:15-17 *John Kemble*

SERMON "Loving Political Opponents" *Pastor Rob Hamilton*

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
*(Each week we pass the red attendance pads at the end of the pew down and back so that we might know who is worshipping next to us.)*

OFFERTORY

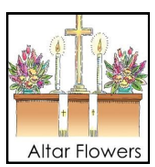
*DOXOLOGY *(unison)* U.M. Hymnal Pg. 95
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN *(see insert)* "Christ, Your Words of Love Confound Us"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
(*Some worshipers leave after the Benediction, while others remain seated through the playing of the Postlude. Please feel free to do as you wish. Everyone is invited to coffee fellowship immediately after the service next door in Fellowship Hall.)*




*If you would like to have flowers placed in worship on a Sunday in memory or recognition of a loved one, or in celebration of a special event, please sign up online at www.genevaumc.org/signups or call the church office at 630-232-7120 to select a date and provide a brief dedication to be included in the Sunday worship bulletin.*

VOLUNTEER PARTICIPANTS

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| WELCOME HOSTS: | Linda & Jim McConnell |
| USHERS: | Keith Bowgren, Jim Alderfer, Andy Dahlberg, Dave Dias |
| LITURGIST: | John Kemble |
| GREET THE PASTOR WELCOME TABLE: | Suzanne Zefron |
| HOSPITALITY HOSTS: | Steve & Nancie Lillie |
| SANCTUARY PREPARATION: | Jim & Fran Manos |

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QUESTIONS FOR CONVERSATION

1. Why is it so important to Christ that his disciples learn how to forgive and even love their enemies?
2. What does it mean to "speak no evil" toward those who disagree with us politically and why is that so challenging?
3. How should you deal with disagreement over politics or religion within your own family? How can the church model an answer to this?

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