

PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH: JULY 2, 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

Jamie McConnell, daughter-in-law of Jim & Linda McConnell
Teri Payne, sister of Pastor Becky Nicol
Ronald Hill, brother of Lorie Montanye
Jason Biffle, fiancé of Christa Chappel, niece of Sherry & Gary Duffett
Bob Ariss, friend of Andrew & Patty Dahlberg
Conrad & Kathy Montgomery, friends of Dick & Nola Keslinke
Jazzy & John Steele, friends of Dick & Nola Keslinke
Prayers for those affected by Mass Shootings, Natural Disasters & other Traumas
Prayers for the people of Ukraine & Russia, Sudan and other war-torn Countries
Prayers for those persecuted for their Faith
Prayers for Peace & Reconciliation in the World

ON-GOING CONCERNS

Wayne Belec
Janet Helm
Bruce Benstein
Marilee Stach
Wayne Peterson
Jane Livingston - Arden Courts - Geneva
Marilyn Bradley - The Holmstad - Batavia
Gordon Wilson - Brighton Gardens of St. Charles
Shirley Anderson - Autumn Leaves of St. Charles
Larry Lounsbury, Tower Hill – South Elgin
Dorothy Urbaitis & Rick Olaerts
Davy Shaffer, grandson of Vicki Shaffer
Janet Orpet, cousin of Jill Nettleton
Mary & John Cannon, friends of Dick & Nola Keslinke
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

Missionary Andrew Soon Lee, Coordinator of the UMC Mission Projects in Cambodia & Rebuilding Haiti Now

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JULY 2, 2023
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Pastor Rob Hamilton

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

“The Bible is a library of books reflecting how human beings have understood the divine. People at that time believed the gods were with them when they went to war and killed everyone in the village. What you’re reading is someone’s perspective that reflects the time and the place they lived in. It’s not God’s perspective— it’s theirs. And when they say it’s God’s perspective, what they’re telling you is their perspective on God’s perspective. Don’t confuse the two.”

— Rob Bell, *What Is the Bible?: How an Ancient Library of Poems, Letters, and Stories Can Transform the Way You Think and Feel About Everything*

WELCOME

Pastor Rob Hamilton

HYMN REQUESTS

697 (*red hymnal*)
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437 (*red hymnal*)

“America” v. 4
“America the Beautiful” v. 3
“This is My Song” v. 2

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN 2246 (*black songbook*) "Deep in the Shadows of the Past"

WORDS WITH CHILDREN *Pastor Rob Hamilton*
(3-year-olds - 5th graders are invited to attend the "First Steps in Faith"
Sunday school class in room across from the Nursery.)

PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH *Carol Zars*

SPECIAL MUSIC "Speak O Lord" *Mike Popplewell*

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:17-20 *Carol Zars*

SERMON "Out with the Old and in with the New?" *Pastor Rob Hamilton*

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
(Please pass the attendance registers at the end of the pew down and back.)

OFFERTORY VBS "Deep Sea," Slideshow Presentation

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

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

CONFESSION AND PARDON (*see insert*)

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
(While it is customary for Christians to pass the peace with a handshake
or physical touch, we ask that we exchange the peace WITHOUT touch,
such as a wave, peace sign or other loving gesture to others.)

GREAT THANKSGIVING (*responsive*) U.M. Hymnal Pg. 15

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)
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.

SHARING OF THE LOAF AND CUP
(We welcome all persons to partake in the feast of the Lord. Our ushers will guide
us to the table or will offer service to those who prefer to receive seated. We offer
pre-packaged communion elements both with or without gluten (please ask the
server for gluten-free elements) or via intinction (dipping bread in the cup). All of
the bread for intinction is gluten-free. All cups contain unfermented grape juice.)

*CLOSING HYMN 2172 (*TFWS*) "We are Called"

COMMISSIONING OF ASP MISSION TEAM PARTICIPANTS

*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.)

The flowers in the chancel today are in loving memory of Todd James Olesen,
infant son of JoAnn Cregier and Ted Olesen, and brother of Michael, Markus, and
Matthew.



VOLUNTEER PARTICIPANTS

WELCOME HOSTS:	Sherry & Gary Duffett
USHERS:	Steve Lillie, Tom Anderson, Steve Cornwell, Tom Reynolds
LITURGIST:	Carol Zars
COMMUNION SERVERS:	JoAnn Cregier, Tom & Linda Tamlyn, Carol Zars
HOSPITALITY HOSTS:	Steve & Cindy Caliendo
GREET THE PASTOR WELCOME TABLE:	Carol Zars
SANCTUARY PREPARATION:	Elaine Voss, Suzanne Zefron



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