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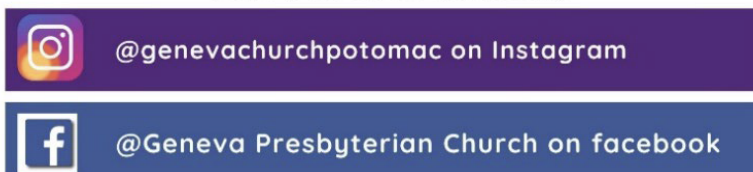


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10:30am

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: This is the day that the LORD has made ...

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Let us worship the LORD ...

People: And give God all the praise!

In an Age of Twisted Values 345

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em) (D) (G) (D)
Fm Cm Fm E^b A^b E^b



1 In an age of twist - ed val - ues we have lost the
2 We have built dis - crim - i - na - tion on our prej - u -
3 When our fam - i - lies are bro - ken, when our homes are
4 We who hear your word so of - ten choose so rare - ly

(Em) (A) (B7) (Em) (Bm) (Em) (D) (G)
Fm B^b C7 Fm Cm Fm E^b A^b



truth we need. In so - phis - ti - cat - ed lan - guage we have
dice and fear. Ha - tred swift - ly turns to cruel - ty if we
full of strife, when our chil - dren are be - wil - dered, when they
to o - bey. Turn us from our will - ful wan - dering; give us

(Am) (Em) (Bm) (Em) (C) (G)
B^bm Fm Cm Fm D^b A^b



jus - ti - fied our greed. By our strug - gle for pos - ses - sions
hold re - sent - ments dear. For com - mu - ni - ties di - vid - ed
lose their way in life, when we fail to give the a - ged
truth to light our way. In the pow - er of your Spir - it

(D) (Am) (Em) (B7) (Em) (Bm)
E^b B^bm Fm C7 Fm Cm



we have robbed the poor and weak. Hear our cry and
by the walls of class and race, hear our cry and
all the care we know they need, hear our cry and
come to cleanse us, make us new; hear our cry and

(Em) (D) (G) (Am) (Em) (Bm) (Em)
Fm E^b A^b B^bm Fm Cm Fm



heal our na - tion; your for - give - ness, Lord, we seek.
heal our na - tion; show us, Lord, your love and grace.
heal our na - tion; help us show more love, we plead.
heal our na - tion till our na - tion hon - ors you.

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and loving will forgive us. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

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

You have given us so much, God. You have given us our time, our talent, our treasure, given us our very lives even. And yet we give so little in return. A few dollars for the plate, even less for our sisters and brothers in the world. Forgive us, God, for our sin. And help us to live more faithfully in the days to come. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon/Declaration of Forgiveness

Jesus says, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." This is Good News! In Jesus Christ, we have more than enough! More than enough mercy, more than enough grace, more than enough love! Thanks be to God! Amen.

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, 7 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, 7 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, 7 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 Online 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

COMMUNITY IN CHRIST

Christ, Our Peace 1037

Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that di - vide us;

Christ, our peace, come, make us one bod-y in you.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Christ, Our Peace' (number 1037) from the 'Community in Christ' collection. It features two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that di - vide us;' and 'Christ, our peace, come, make us one bod-y in you.' The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes, providing a harmonic foundation for the vocal melody.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, God. Give us now the grace to receive your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to your will and live always to your glory. In the name of Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Renee Moloznik

(Children 5th grade and younger are invited to join Bridges to Worship in the downstairs classroom following the Children's Sermon)

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 20:45-21:6

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Two Small Coins"

Rev. Todd Sutton

Affirmation of Faith

With what shall we come before the LORD, and bow ourselves before God? Shall we come before him with burnt offerings and other sacrifices? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of such sacrifices? Shall we give our firstborn for our transgression, the fruit of our bodies for the sin of our souls? God has told us what is good; and what the LORD requires of us is to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with our God.

- adapted from Micah 6

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.



Closing Hymn

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

Heaven Shall Not Wait 773

Capo 1: (D) (G) (A) (A7) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 E^b A^b B^b B^b7 E^b Cm7 Fm B^b

1 Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their pa-tience,
 2 Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their for-tunes,
 3 Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great i-de-as,
 4 Heaven shall not wait for tri-um-phiant Hal-le-lu-jahs,

(D) (G) (A) (A7) (D) (G) (Asus) (A)
 E^b A^b B^b B^b7 E^b A^b B^bsus B^b

the scorned to smile, the de-spised to find a friend:
 the proud to fall, the e-lite to tend the least:
 thoughts of com-pas-sion di-vorced from cries of pain:
 when earth has passed and we reach an-oth-er shore:

(Bm7) (Em) (F#m) (Bm7) (D) (Em7) (A)
 Cm7 Fm Gm Cm7 E^b Fm7 B^b

Je-sus is Lord; he has cham-pioned the un-want-ed;
 Je-sus is Lord; he has shown the mas-ter's priv-ilege:
 Je-sus is Lord; he has mar-ried word and ac-tion;
 Je-sus is Lord in our pres-ent im-per-fec-tion;

(D) (G) (A) (A7) (D) (Bm) (Em)
 E^b A^b B^b B^b7 E^b Cm Fm

in him in-jus-tice con-fronts its time-ly
 to kneel and wash ser-vants' feet be-fore they
 his cross and com-pa-ny make his pur-pose
 his power and love are for now and then for

1-3 4
 (Asus) (A) (Asus) (A) (D)
 B^bsus B^b B^bsus B^b E^b

end. ev-er-more.
 feast.
 plain.

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
Tom Maxwell

Paul Quin, husband of Pamela Wilson
Adriana Bockma, friend of Sara Torrence
Richard Torrence, brother-in-law of Sara Torrence
Ron Hauber, friend of Sara Torrence
Joan Snider Voith, sister-in-law of Elaine Winch
Jeanie Voith Bort, Aunt of Elaine (Voith) Winch
Bobbie Maxwell;
John Wright;

Healing and Comfort for

Jeff Norwood, Cancer Treatment, friend of Moloznik family
Sam White, undiagnosed health concerns
Mohammad Pajouhi, uncle to Hamed Moghaddam & brother to Ency Moghaddam,
for healing, wisdom for the doctors, and restoration of his heart;
Rev. Mary Pullen, cancer treatment;
Allyson McElwaine, health concerns;
Mike Sydoriak, health concerns;
Victoria Winch, traveling mercies;
Kevin Shaver, health concerns;
Bob Daraskevich and his family, friend of Kyla Lupo, undergoing cancer treatment;
Nancy Morse, health concerns;
Scott Brown, health concerns;
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;
Pepe Marin, health concerns;
Nancy Rawson, health concerns;
Rosalie Ruff, health concerns;
Judith Sadler, mother of Tom Sadler, mental illness and PG County guardianship care;
Sandra Kichefski, sister of Sheri Sankey, health concerns;

Thank you to Rev. Todd Sutton for providing pulpit supply while Pastor Patrick is away!

Rev. Todd Sutton was born and raised in the Detroit area. He graduated from the University of Michigan in 1995. After college, Todd moved to Washington, DC, worked on Capitol Hill, and found Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church. While there, Todd met his future wife, Ceska, and received his call to the ministry.

Todd attended Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. While at CTS he interned at churches in Memphis, TN, and Cape Town, South Africa. He also traveled to Northern Ireland and the Middle East.

Since graduating from seminary, Todd has served churches in St. Petersburg, FL, Washington, DC, and Kensington, MD. In 2019, he became the Chaplain at National Presbyterian School where he leads two Chapel services each week, teaches all Religion classes, oversees service projects, and provides pastoral care for the community.



Geneva Presbyterian
Invites You To:

Trunk N' Treat

26 October

2:00-4:00

Featuring Slush and Krust

Crafts - Games - Candy

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Free!

Geneva October



Neurodiverse Playdate
Oct. 4th
11am-Noon



Food for The Soul
Oct. 8th, 15h & 22rd
6:00 PM



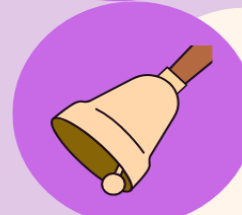
Joyful Noise Service
Oct. 12th, 9:30-10 AM



Trunk N' Treat
Oct. 26th
2:00 PM



Adult Bible Study
Oct. 1st & 29th
6:00 PM



Childrens Chimes
Practice
Oct. 19th & 26th



Bible Explorers
Oct. 29th
5:45-7:15 PM

Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, *Pastor*; Ben Shaver, *Music Director*;

Rolf Winch, *Lector*; Kyla Lupo, *Zoom Host*

Ken Denaburg & Zach Michaels; *Audio/Visual*

Church Elders	Church Deacons
Kyla Lupo, Julie Moloznik, Tom Sadler, Sheri Sankey, Ken Sprinkle, Elaine Winch, Jack Kough	Eve Dailey, Sheena Galliani, Allyson McElwaine, Carl Perthel, Janelle Thibau, Renee Moloznik

If you have 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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