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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: 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;

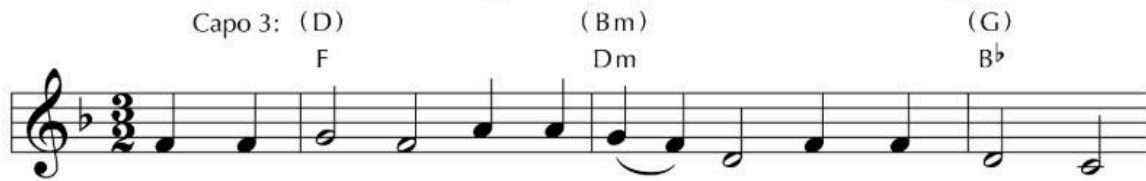
People: the earth is full of the glory of God.

Leader: We have peace with God through Jesus Christ;

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

Opening Hymn

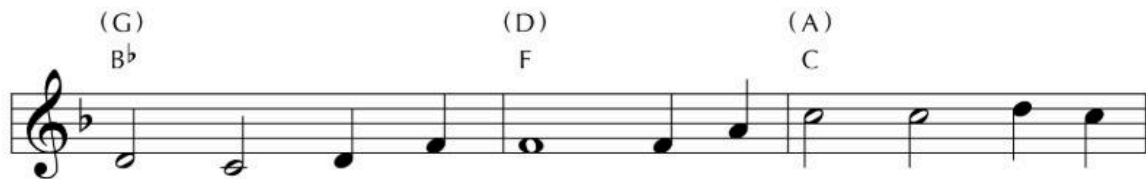
God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716



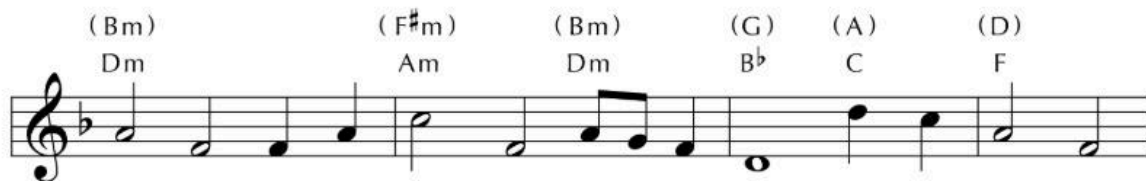
1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your



end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in



to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

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...

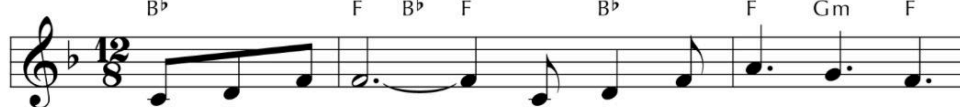
Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response

SERVICE MUSIC

582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B $\flat$ F B $\flat$ F B $\flat$ 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 $\flat$ E $\flat$ B $\flat$ 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 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

Refrain

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of staves. The lyrics are: 'Be - cause He lives I can face to - mor - row, Be-cause He lives all fear is gone; Be - cause I know He holds the fu - ture. And life is worth the liv-ing just be-cause He lives.' The score includes various musical notations such as treble and bass clefs, key signatures, time signatures, notes, rests, and bar lines. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding staves.

Be - cause He lives I can face to - mor - row, Be-cause He

lives all fear is gone; Be - cause I know

He holds the fu - ture. And life is worth the liv-ing just be-cause He lives.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

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

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

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

Matthew 28:16-20

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"In Relationship"

Rev. Patrick McElwaine

Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

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

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.



Music Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God



1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.



that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy



skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,



The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
 and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

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

Fred Brown, brother of Scott Brown;
Joe Morman, uncle of Robin Kough;
Alyssa Kakol, a friend of Sara and Tom Sadler, died tragically in a pedestrian accident;
Rosalie Ruff;
Tom Maxwell;
Paul Quin, husband of Pamela Wilson;
Adriana Bockma, friend of Sara Torrence;
Richard Torrence, brother-in-law of Sara Torrence;

Healing and Comfort for

The Khalil family;
Larry Maske, cousin of Ken Sprinkle, cancer
Karen Dove, friend of the McElwaines, health concerns;
Scott Brown, recent hernia surgery;
Hamed Moghaddam, health concerns;
Tim Davidson, brain tumor, uncle of Ben Shaver;
Stacey Mastrian, health concerns, friend and former professor of Ben Shaver;
Gabrielle Suver, seriously injured in a hit and run bicycle accident;
The Moghaddam family and their business, during a time of discernment and transition;
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;
Kevin Shaver, health concerns;
Bob Daraskevich and his family, friend of Kyla Lupo, undergoing cancer treatment;
Nancy Morse, health concerns;
John Hanson, friend of Sara Torrence, health concerns;
Margaret and Don Acton, parents of Amanda White, continued health concerns;
Pepe Marin, health concerns;
Nancy Rawson, health concerns;
Judith Sadler, mother of Tom Sadler, mental illness and PG County guardianship care;
Sandra Kichefski, sister of Sheri Sankey, health concerns;



A Concert of Gospel & Praise Faves

*Come enjoy the music of Kirk Franklin, Donald
Lawrence, and The Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir.*

Featuring the Geneva Sanctuary Choir, soloists, and orchestra!

Sunday, June 7, 4.00 pm

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Free Admission

Geneva May



Neurodiverse Playdate
May 2nd
11-Noon



Youth Sunday
May 3rd
10:30-11:45



Joyful Noise Service
May 17th
9:30-10 AM



Adult Bible Study
May 6, 13, 20, 27
6:00 PM



Pentecost Service
May 24th
10:30-11:45



Childrens Chimes Practice
May 24th & 31st
During Sunday School



Church Picnic
May 31st
Following Worship

Today's Worship Leaders

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

Julie Moloznik, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host;

Ken Denaburg, Curtis Chimba, Audio/Visual

Church Elders	Church Deacons
Kyla Lupo, Julie Moloznik, Sheri Sankey, Ken Sprinkle, Janelle Thibau, Daniela Smith, Jack Kough	Eve Dailey, Sheena Galliani, Allyson McElwaine, Carl Perthel, 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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