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Get Prepared For Communion When Worshiping online!

Today we will be sharing the sacrament of The Lord's Supper during worship. Here's how it will work and how you can prepare if you are worshiping with us online:

- **Gather your own communion elements from around your home.** Jesus chose common foods of his day for the first communion: bread and "fruit of the vine." What common starch do you have available? In countries around the world, the commonly available starch may be tortillas or rice, so those are used. What beverage feels right for you to use? Not everyone has juice in the home, so you might need to be creative.
- **Please:** in preparing for communion and choosing your elements, do so thoughtfully and with reverence for the sacrament we will share.
- **Our blended community of online and in person worshipers is gathered together in holy space and on holy ground.** The liturgy and prayers will serve to consecrate all of our elements into one common meal at the Lord's Table.

It is a joy to share the Lord's Supper together – let us gather in remembrance of Jesus who is the Eternal Host at this table.

With Grace and Peace,
Pastor Patrick

May 3, 2026

10:30am

Thank you for joining us for this interactive, intergenerational worship service created by our youth! All children are welcome to join us upstairs today. If they need a "chill out" zone, they are welcome to use the Founders Room.

We're so glad you're here to celebrate with us!

Prelude

Processional "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

We are marching in the light of God;
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, oh, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, oh, we are marching in the light of God.

Additional stanzas (as written by the kids):
We are singing....
We are dancing....

Welcome to the Worship of God

Julie Moloznik

Call to Worship

*Michael Moloznik, Delwan Moghaddam,
John Pinaire, Malachi McElwaine*

Leaders: Jesus is the Good Shepherd

People: We are here, ready to listen, learn and grow.

Leaders: Jesus is the Good Shephard

People: Young and old, we are all created in God's image

Leaders: Jesus is the Good Shephard

People: Let us worship the Lord, who guides us in every season of life.

Opening Hymn

“Jesus Loves Me”

Youth Chime Choir

Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong;
they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Call to Confession

Renee Moloznik

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We pray that you will now help us to see what we shall be and we may continue to walk in your light. Listen now as we come to you with our silent prayers...

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Patrick McElwaine

Congregational Response “He’s Got the Whole World In His Hands”

Youth

1. He’s got the whole world in his hands....

(Sing three times)

He’s got the whole world in his hands.

2. He’s got the wind and rain in his hands....

(Sing three times)

He's got the whole world in his hands.

3. He's got the little tiny babies in his hands....

(Sing three times)

He's got the whole world in his hands.

4. He's got you and me brother/ sister / all my friends....

(Sing three times)

He's got the whole world in his hands.

5. He's got everybody here in his hands....

(Sing three times)

He's got the whole world in his hands.

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 *(Please return to your seats when you hear the music)*

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Meghan Micheals

Lord, we trust in you and your words, and we seek to do good each day. Open our ears and minds to listen to your words. Guide us and strengthen us to follow you with courage, even from our youth. In your name we pray, Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Daniel and the Lion's Den

Bridget McElwaine, Eliza Micheals, Stella Han

Second Scripture Reading

The Good Samaritan

John Pinaire, Vivi Dailey, Lettie Dailey, Teresa Moloznik

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

Procession of the Communion Elements

Malachi McElwaine, Michael Moloznik, Delwan Moghaddam, Teddy Smith

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Please come forward by the center aisle to receive the communion elements by intinction. You will receive a piece of bread and dip it in the chalice before then returning to your seat. Geneva Presbyterian practices an "open table", meaning that all who come to this meal by faith in Jesus Christ are welcome to participate. A gluten free option is available upon arrival at the Communion Table.

Closing Hymn

"My Lighthouse"

Rend Collective

Verse 1

*In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea,
whoa
You are the peace in my troubled sea.*

Verse 2

*In the silence You won't let go
In the questions Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea,
whoa
You are the peace in my troubled sea.*

Chorus

*My lighthouse, my lighthouse
Shining in the darkness,
I will follow You, whoa
My lighthouse, my lighthouse
I will trust the promise, You will carry me
Safe to shore, safe to shore
Safe to shore, safe to shore.*

Verse 3

*I won't fear what tomorrow brings
with each morning I'll rise and sing*

*My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea,
whoa
You are the peace in my troubled sea,
oh You are my light.*

Bridge 1

*Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storm*

Bridge 2

*Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storm*

Closing Prayer

Youth

Dear God,
Thank you for Jesus
Who taught us how to welcome people
Who taught us how to be strong
Who taught us how to give to others
So that everyone can feel love
Amen.

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

Fred Brown, brother of Scott Brown;
Joe Morman, uncle of Robin Kough;
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

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;
Sarah Siegel, traveling mercies;
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;
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;

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*;

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

Ken Sprinkle, Zach Micheals *Audio/Visual*

Church Elders	Church Deacons
Kyla Lupo, Julie Moloznik, Sheri Sankey, Ken Denaburg, 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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