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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

Geneva Presbyterian Church

November 1, 2026 **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 at home in Geneva.

Prelude

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome to the Worship of God

Call to Worship

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

Leader: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting;

People: and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

– Psalm 100:1, 2, 5

Opening Hymn *(next page)*

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

O Lord our God, you call us to proclaim the gospel, but we shy away when the opportunity arises. You call us to be reconciled to you and one another, but we are content to live in separation. You call us to live standing on the promises you have made, but we place our trust in the illusions of this world.

Draw us near to your heart again and forgive us, O Gracious One, as we approach your throne of mercy in prayer…

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response



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 (sung on Communion Sundays)

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



The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

God of new and eternal life, your grace is our daily bread. Nourish us in this reading and proclaiming of scripture so that we may grow in humility, be filled with faith, and follow joyfully where your Holy Spirit leads. Amen.

First Scripture Reading **1 Corinthians 10:16-17** (page 932 in your pew Bible)

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

Children's Sermon *Danni Coates*
(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 22:14-20** (page 857 in your pew Bible)

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

Sermon **"Nourished at the Root"** *Rev. Patrick McElwaine*

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.



Reception of New Member

Presentation of New Member *Hamed Moghaddam*

Profession of Faith

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

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 God's universal, worldwide church of all times and places)*

Welcome

Leader: Congregation, how do we welcome this brother in the faith?

People: With joy and thanksgiving in Christ we welcome you to life and ministry with Geneva Presbyterian Church!

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



Charge and Benediction

Postlude

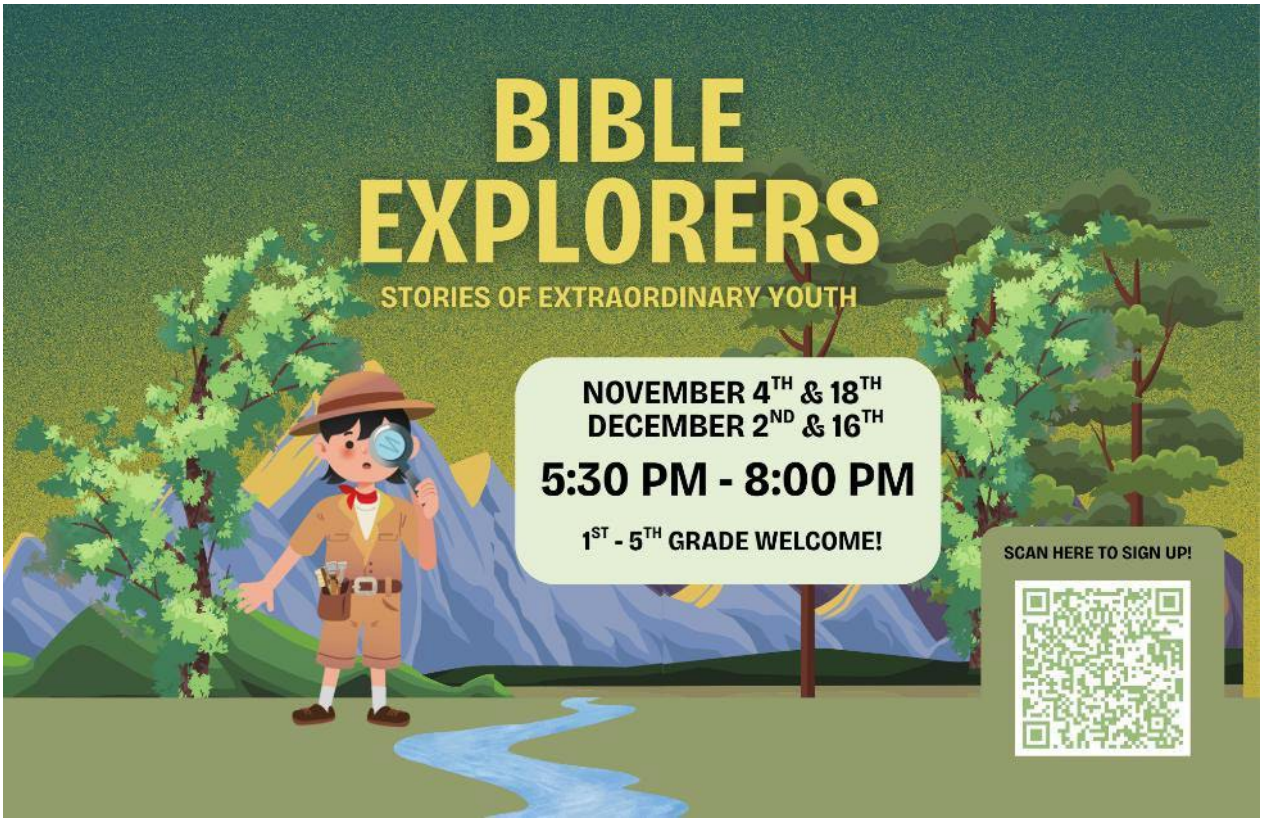


Names in bold are new prayer list additions.
The work, worship, pastor and leadership of Geneva.

Comfort for the Family and Friends of
Frances Spollen, grandmother of Allyson McElwaine;
Rick Maier, uncle of Allyson McElwaine;
Bob Daraskevich, friend of Kyla Lupo;
Rev. Dr. Harold Garman, friend of Sara Torrence;
David Reynolds, friend of Elaine and Rolf Winch;
Debbie Taylor, friend of Elaine and Rolf Winch;
Cheryl Reider, sister-in-law and aunt of the Moloznik family

Healing and Comfort for
Stefan Momber, cousin of Rolf Winch, cancer;
Don Fink, husband of Carolyn Fink, following a recent stroke;
Kenneth Weiss, friend of Sara Torrence, health concerns;
Kyla Lupo, recovering from surgery;
Larry Maske, cousin of Ken Sprinkle, cancer;
Karen Dove, friend of the McElwaines, health concerns;
Scott Brown, health concerns;
Hamed Moghaddam, health concerns;
Jeff Norwood, Cancer Treatment, friend of Moloznik family;
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;
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;





Join us for a 4-lesson story series exploring extraordinary youth from the bible with Next Generation Ministries! Dinner will be provided along with fun hands-on activities. Email nextgen@genevapotomac.org if you have any questions!

Geneva Presby November



Bible Explorers
November 4th & 18th
6:00 pm



Blood Drive
@ Beth Sholom Congregation
November 10th
2:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Neurodiverse Playdate
November 14th
11:00 am



Joyfull Noise Service
November 22nd
9:30 am



Hanging of the Greens
Potluck
November 22nd
After Service



Children's Chimes Practice
November 22nd & 29th
During Sunday School



Adult Bible Study
Every Wednesday
6:00 PM

Geneva Mission Opportunity of the Month
November 2026

Donate Blood!

Save up to three lives by donating a pint of blood. Blood only lasts about 30 days. There is a constant need for blood to save lives. Blood cannot be manufactured or grown. It only comes from generous donors like you. Blood used for transfusions in hospitals only comes from generous volunteer blood donors. Over 200 units of blood and blood components are required daily to support the diverse communities in our area. 62% of the United States population is eligible to donate blood but only 3% do. Every two seconds someone in the United States needs blood.

Local Red Cross Blood Drives:

Tuesday November 10, 2026, 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Beth Shalom Congregation

Ask About Power Red

11825 Seven Locks Road
Potomac, MD 20854
Co-sponsored by Geneva Presbyterian Church
Register at www.redcrossblood.org enter sponsor code: BETHSHALOM or call 1-800-RED_CROSS

Monday November 30, 2026, 1:30 PM to 6:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church

11200 Old Georgetown Road
Rockville, MD 20852
Register at www.redcrossblood.org enter sponsor code: TrinityLutheranNBethesda or call 1-800-RED_CROSS

Primary Blood Donation Centers:

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National Institutes of Health Donation Center at Fishers Lane
5625 Fishers Ln, Rockville, MD 20852 https://www.cc.nih.gov/bloodbank/appointment
National Institutes of Health
Dept. of Transfusion Medicines, 10 Center Drive Bldg. 10 Bethesda, MD 20892
https://www.cc.nih.gov/bloodbank/appointment
INOVA Woodburn Donor Center
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Blood Drive Hosted By:
Beth Sholom Congregation

Abramson Room
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2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Co-Sponsor: Geneva Presbyterian Church

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drink plenty of water before you donate.

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Brian Foont at foont@comcast.net for more information.

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Today's Worship Leaders

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

Mark Allen, *Lector*; Danni Coates, *Next Gen Director;*

Tomas Sadler, *Zoom Host*; Ken Sprinkle & Sheri Sankey; *Audio/Visual*

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

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.
Should you wish to donate flowers for a future worship service, please contact the Church Office Administrator. The fee is $50.00.

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