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10:30am

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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: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**People: Sing and give praise to God's name; tell the good news of salvation
from day to day.**

Leader: The Spirit and the Church say, "Come."

People: The people of the Word say, "Come."

Leader: Let everyone who is thirsty come.

People: Receive the gift of the water of life.

– Psalm 96:12 and Revelation 22:17

Sing a New Song unto the Lord 276

(Psalm 98)

Refrain

Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be
sung from moun - tain's high. Sing a new song
un - to the Lord, sing-ing hal - le - lu - jah!
1 Shout with glad - ness! Dance for joy! O come be -
2 Rise, O chil - dren, from your sleep; your Sav - ior
3 Glad my soul for I have seen the glo - ry
fore the Lord. And play for God on
now has come. He has turned your
of the Lord. The trum - pet sounds; the
glad tam - bou-rines, and let your trum - pet sound.
sor - row to joy, and filled your soul with song.
dead shall be raised. I know my Sav - ior lives.

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

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, do not hide your face from us in displeasure. Do not hand us over to our own sinfulness. Do not allow us to stumble in our wanderings.

God of grace, have mercy on us. Deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. Draw us near to you again in forgiveness. Help us to share with you honestly all that needs confessing as we pray in this silence...

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response “Love the Lord Your God” *(sung twice)* #62

62 Love the Lord Your God

Capo 4: (C) E (G) B (F) A (C) E

Love the Lord your God with all your heart.

(C) E (G) B (F) A (C) E

Love the Lord your God with all your soul.

(F) A (Dm7) F#m7 (Em7) G#m7 (Am7) C#m7 (Dm7) F#m7 (G) B (C) E

Love the Lord your God with all your mind.

(F) A (Dm7) F#m7 (Em7) G#m7 (Am7) C#m7 (F) A (G) B (C) E

Love the Lord your God with all that you are.

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

"Rain Down"

#48

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Rain Down

Capo 3: (D) F (F#7) A7 (Bm) Dm (D7) F7 (G) Bb

Rain down; rain down; rain down your

(D/F#) F/A (Em7) Gm7 (A7) C7 (D) F (F#7) A7 (Bm) Dm

love on your peo - ple. Rain down; rain

(D7) F7 (G) Bb (Em) Gm (A7) C7 (G) Bb (D) F

down; rain down your love, God of life.

The Word

Prayer for Illumination *(in unison)*

Holy Triune God, in the reading and proclaiming of this scripture, make known to us your ways of salvation and life. Prepare our heart to receive this Good News, our mind to properly understand, and our spirit to live for You alone. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 130

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

Children's Sermon

Cali Bronkema

(Children 5th grade and younger are invited to join Bridges to Worship in the downstairs classroom following the Children's Sermon. Please join NextGen Director Cali Bronkema in the rug area to participate!)

Second Scripture Reading

Mark 14:66-72

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

Sermon

"Not the End of the Story"

Rev. Patrick McElwaine

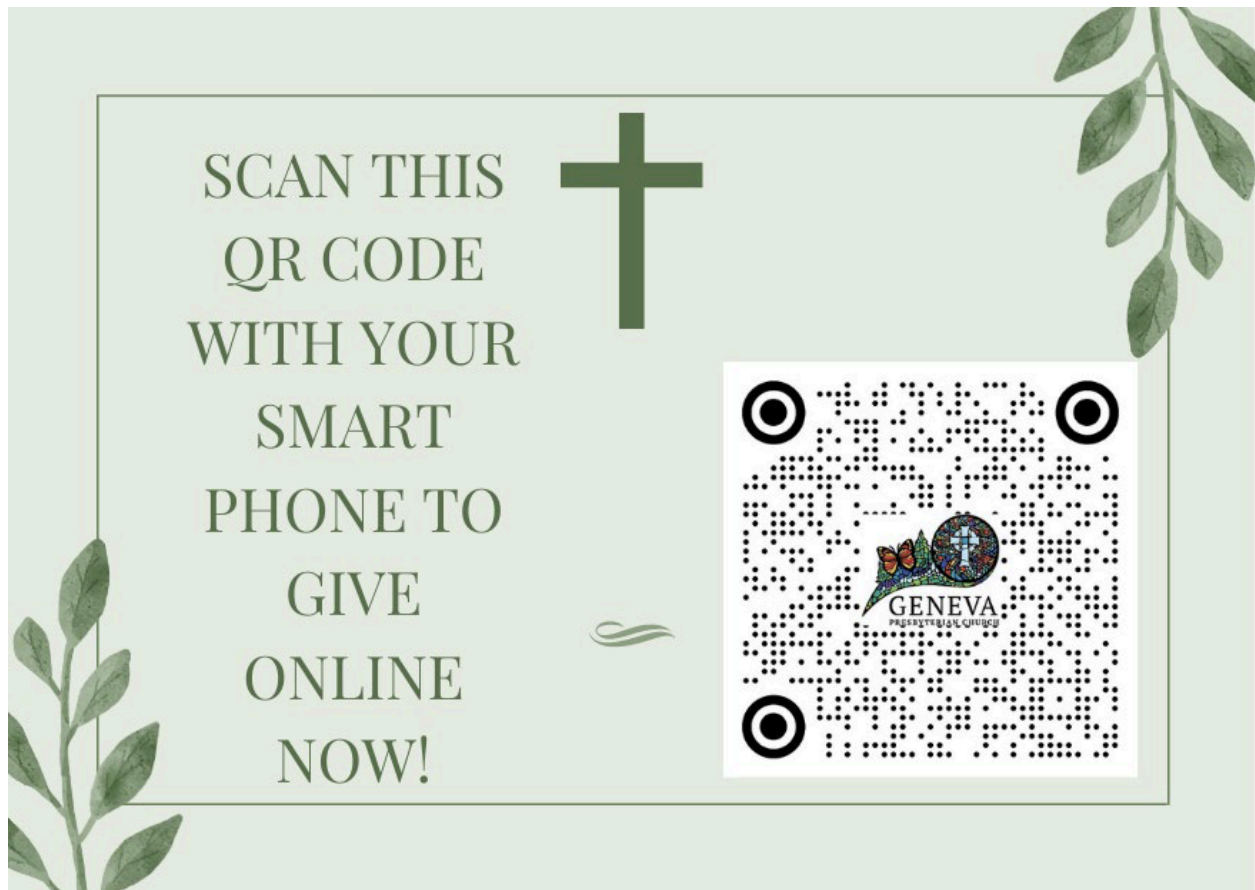
Affirmation of Faith/The Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

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 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

"City Called Heaven"

arr. Josephine Poelinitz

Prayer of Dedication

The Sending

Closing Hymn

“Your Only Song (Lamb of God)”

#518

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Your Only Son

Lamb of God

1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
 2 Your gift of love, we cru - ci - fied; we laughed and
 3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have

sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y
 scorned him as he died; the hum - ble King we named a
 brought me to your side to be led by your staff and

sod, and to be - come the Lamb of God.
 fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
 rod, and to be called a lamb of God.

Refrain

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the

ho - ly Lamb of God! O wash me in his pre - cious

blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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

Eric Maul, friend of Ben Shaver
Michelle Wilson (husband, Myles, and son, Holden), friend of Tom Sadler
Isabelle Schuessler, friend of Scott Brown;
Justin Pack, nephew of PJ Davis;
Ben Shaver's friend, Kitt Crescenzo, at the death of her partner Adrian;
Vince Lupo's family member, Uncle Lawrence;
Tina Martin, Sister-in-Law of Ken Sprinkle;
The family of Katie Richards Roome, friend of Letitia Denaburg;
Robert Owers, friend of Sara Torrence;
Tim Butcher, friend of Sara Torrence;
Emmanuel Mbi;

Healing and Comfort for

Breanne Spriggs, Allyson McElwaine's cousin, upcoming surgery;
Andy Sullivan, Friend of the McElwaine Family, receiving end of life care;
Kevin Shaver, health concerns;
John Wright, health concerns;
Mike Sydoriak, health concerns;
Eleanor Rassmussen, Allyson McElwaine's aunt, 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;
Rosie Perthel, health concerns;
Pepe Marin, health concerns;
Nancy Rawson, health concerns;
Rosalie Ruff, health concerns;
Dinah Paffrath, aunt of Renee Moloznik, receiving cancer treatments;
Daniel Adkins, nephew of Kyla and Vince Lupo, health concerns;
Jeff Leicht, Renee Moloznik's brother;
Judith Sadler, mother of Tom Sadler, mental illness and PG County guardianship care;
Leland Perthel, living with Post-Concussion Syndrome;
Sandra Kichefski, sister of Sheri Sankey, health concerns;

WELCOME TO GENEVA! We welcome you to this church and want you to feel at home. We want you to feel accepted here, and also challenged, even as we invite you to accept and challenge us. If you are new to this community or do not have a church home, we invite you to join us. Please contact a staff member using any of the emails on the back of today's bulletin.



Birthdays: Stella Soh (9/2); Nancy Rawson (9/3); Alex Thibau (9/5);
Sheri Sankey (9/7); Paula PJ Davis (9/17);
Jim Stiles (9/19); Rebecca Winch (9/20); Gretchen Winch (9/20);
Lindsey Moloznik (9/27); Scott Heimberg (9/29)

This Week at Geneva

Wednesday, September 18	6:00pm	Bible Study - Online
Sunday, September 22	10:30am	Worship - In Person and Online
Monday, September 23	7:00pm	Session - Meeting
Wednesday, September 25	6:00pm	Bible Study - Online
Sunday, September 29	10:30am	Worship - In Person and Online

Geneva September



Neurodiverse Playdate
Sept. 7th, 11-Noon



Back to School Concert
Sept. 7th, 4-5:30 PM



Joyful Noise Service
Sept. 8th, 9:30-10 AM



Kickoff Picnic
Sept. 15th
Following Worship



Adult Bible Study
Sept. 18th & 25th, 6pm



Childrens Chimes
Practice
Sept. 22nd & 29
Following Worship

Geneva October



Neurodiverse Playdate
Oct. 3rd, 5th & 18th
11am-Noon



Food for The Soul
Oct. 9th, 16th & 23rd
6:00 PM



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



Trunk N' Treat
Oct. 27th
2:00 PM



Adult Bible Study
Oct. 2nd & 30th
6pm



**Childrens Chimes
Practice**
Oct. 20th & 27th
Following Worship



Bible Explorers
Oct. 30th
6-7 PM

FOOD FOR THE SOUL OCTOBER 2024

Childcare dropoff: 5:30

Dinner begins: 6:00

- October 9th
- October 16th
- October 23rd



If you are willing to host or attend any of these dinners, please signup by emailing Cali or filling out a form at church. Deadline to signup is October 4th!



Geneva's Bible Explorers

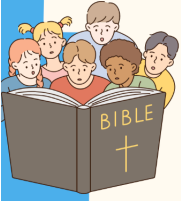
WHAT IS IT?

A Time For:

- Diving deeper into Bible stories
- Start relating faith to their lives
- Intergenerational learning
- Dinner together!

WHEN IS IT?

- Oct. 30th
- Nov. 13th
- Nov. 20th
- Dec. 11th
- Dec. 18th

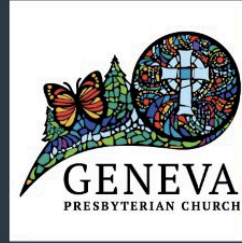


WHO IS IT FOR?

- Kids who are developmentally at the 1st grade reading level (or higher)
- Adult volunteers who want to share their favorite bible story

To Sign Up: Email Ms.Cali by Oct. 20th.

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THROUGH GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE, TABLET,
COMPUTER OR MAIL!

Three Ways to Give:

- **Online** - using this link -
<https://genevapotomac.org/give/online-giving/>
- **By App:** download **Vanco Mobile** , create an account, Invitation code for Geneva Presbyterian Church (Potomac, MD): **3DS2A8**
- **By Mail:** checks securely received at :
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Today's Worship Leaders

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

Alice Franks, Lector; Tom Sadler, Zoom Host.

Ken Denaburg, Curtis Chimba, Audio/Visual

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

If you have any ideas, suggestions, or concerns, please share them with our officers.

Today's flowers are given by **Sara Torrence** in memory of her husband, Jim, celebrating what would have been his 90th birthday (on September 25th)

Geneva warmly welcomes all our guests joining us today

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