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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 at home at Geneva.

Prelude

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome to the Worship of God

Call to Worship

Leader: Our help is in the name of the LORD who made heaven and earth ...

People: Let us worship the LORD our God with songs and praise!

Opening Hymn

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

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 *(in unison)*

Forgive us, God. We look around our world, see what a mess it is and get discouraged. We begin to see the glass as half empty rather than half full. Even worse, it appears nonexistent rather than overflowing. It's so easy to become disheartened and miss all of your grace, mercy, peace and love. Forgive us for our weakness, and strengthen us for the day. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: What can separate us from the love of Christ? Can hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

People: No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. In Jesus' name, we are forgiven. Amen!

Congregational Response

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

48

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

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find wisdom, and in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Scripture Reading

Matthew 11:28-30

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

Children's Sermon

Julie 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

Ruth 1

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

Homily

"Bitter"

Rev. Todd Sutton

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

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 베풀 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

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;
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

Kyla Lupo, recovering from surgery
Aaron Thacker, friend of Ben Shaver, health concerns;
The Khalil family;
Larry Maske, cousin of Ken Sprinkle, cancer
Karen Dove, friend of the McElwaines, health concerns;
Scott Brown, health concerns;
Hamed Moghaddam, health concerns;
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;
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;
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 Presby

"Summer"



Gospel Concert
June 7th
4:00 PM



Childrens Chimes Practice
Last 2 Sundays each month
During Sunday School



Hymn Sing Sunday
July 5th
During 10:30 Worship



Sunday School will continue
through the summer!
During Worship



HYMN SING SUNDAY

July 5th 10:30 am Worship

**In the weekly email blast, you can find the
"Hymn Sing Sunday Survey"!**

**Please respond by midnight Saturday, July 4th with your
favorite hymns and songs for us to sing together!**

**If you forget to respond to the survey online, don't worry!
There will be a portion of the service for requests from
congregants, both in-person and online!**

LIFT EVERY STEP

SHOE DRIVE



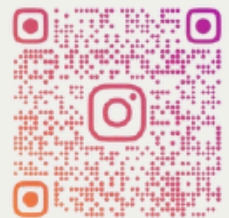
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NEW!**



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Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Todd Sutton, Pulpit Supply; Ben Shaver, Music Director;

Rolf Winch, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host

Curtis Chimba & Ken Denaburg; Audio/Visual

Church Elders	Church Deacons
Kyla Lupo, Julie Moloznik, Sheri Sankey, Ken Sprinkle, Jack Kough, Janelle Thibau, Daniela Smith	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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