

**JANUARY 16, 2022**



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**Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor**

# Geneva Presbyterian Church

January 16, 2022

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

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. In person worshippers have the option to sing during worship since we are all wearing masks.*

*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

### Welcome to the Worship of God

### Silence and Introit

### Call to Worship

One: Look, here is the Lamb of God!

**Many: Jesus calls us: Come and see.**

One: The Lord is about to do a new thing.

**Many: Speak, O God, for your servants are listening.**

One: There are varieties of gifts, services, and activities,

**Many: but there is one Spirit, one Lord, and one God.**

ADORATION

# Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven 619

(Psalm 103)

1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; glad of heart your  
 2 Praise God for the grace and fa - vor shown our fore - bears  
 3 Like a lov - ing par - ent car - ing, God knows well our  
 4 An - gels, teach us ad - o - ra - tion; you be - hold God

car - ols raise; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
 in dis - tress; God is still the same for - ev - er,  
 fee - ble frame, glad - ly all our bur - dens bear - ing,  
 face to face. Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion,

who, like me, should sing God's praise? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 slow to chide, and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 still to count - less years the same. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the Mak - er all your days!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing our Mak - er's faith - ful - ness!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! All with - in me, praise God's name!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

This adaptation of an older paraphrase of Psalm 103 (see no. 620) is informed by an awareness that much of the received language of religious traditions enshrines social values that obscure the goodness of God, which far transcends all our labels and categories and hierarchies.

TEXT: Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; adapt. Ecumenical Women's Center, 1974

MUSIC: John Goss, 1869

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LAUDA ANIMA

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# Call to Confession

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

Almighty God, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world. We long to follow him as your faithful people, but too often our good intentions run out and we come up empty.

For all the ways we fall short in our sin, forgive us. Change us – like water into wine – to become what the world lacks, so that our community, our nation, our church, and all creation may know your justice and love. Gracious One, receive our silent personal prayers now...


## 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<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F Gm F



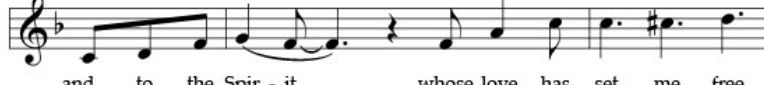
1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)  
F B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Gm7 C7



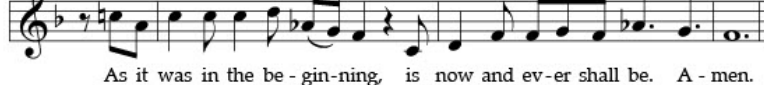
and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(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 Virtual 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

## **The Word**

### **Prayer for Illumination** *(in unison)*

Blessed Lord, giver of grace and mercy, transform us and renew our hearts as we approach your Word in scripture today. Reveal to us the newness you offer in Christ and lead us to offer our lives to you in humble service and love. Amen.

### **Old Testament Reading**

**Isaiah 62:1-5**

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

### **New Testament Reading**

**John 2:1-11**

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

### **Sermon**

**"The First Miracle"**

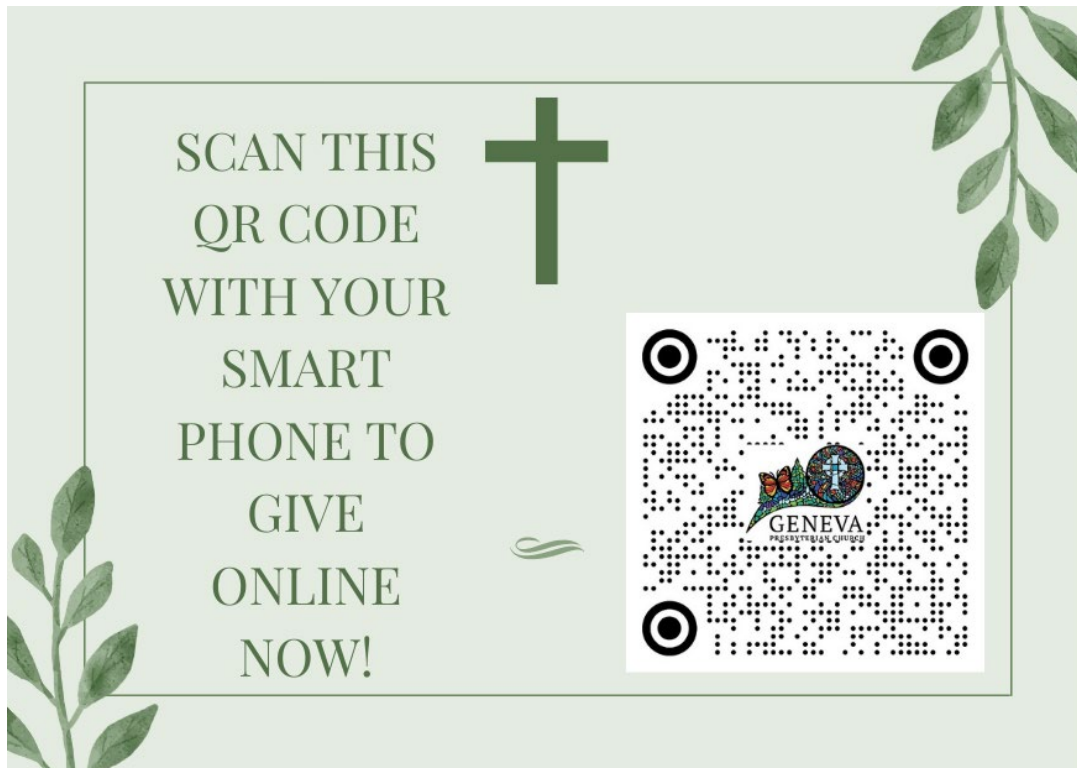
*Rev. Patrick McElwaine*

## **Affirmation of Faith/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**



## **Music Offering**

## **Prayer of Dedication**

# The Sending

## “As the Wind Song”

Closing Hymn

#292

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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### As the Wind Song

風之頌



1 As the wind song through the trees, as the  
 2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the  
 1 風 之 頌, 林 中 吹 送, 輕 風  
 2 彩 之 虹, 雨 後 高 懸, 生 之



stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 送, 心 中 振 動, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹  
 盼, 人 間 再 現, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹



God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the  
 God, as the green in the spring, as a  
 送: 心 溫 暖 奇 異 難 明, 風 浪  
 送: 春 天 裡, 青 山 綠 水, 線 上



voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 中, 靜 聽 主 聲, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹  
 繫 飛 揚 風 箏, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹



God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has  
 God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come  
 送: 眼 不 見, 心 未 明, 風 來 去 何  
 送: 大 地 萬 象 更 新, 和 平 終 實

Reversing the usual order, this hymn began with the music rather than the words. The composer (from Singapore) sent this tune to the author (in New Zealand) to see what text it might inspire from her. She also suggested the tune name, a Maori phrase meaning “Holy Spirit.”

TEXT: Shirley Erena Murray, 2004; Chinese trans. Ee Suen Wong, 2005  
 MUSIC: Swee Hong Lim, 2004  
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WAIRUA TAPU  
 Irregular

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three lines of music with corresponding lyrics in English and Chinese. Chords are indicated above the notes.

**Line 1:** Chords: G, Em, Bm, Am, D. Lyrics: blown true, bring-ing gifts, life, bring-ing love, power, bring-ing love, to the world, to the world.

**Line 2:** Chords: Em, Em/D, C. Lyrics: as the danc-ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de-; as the ris-ing of the yeast, as the wine at the

**Line 3:** Chords: G/B, Am7, D, G. Lyrics: sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God. feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.

**Chinese Lyrics:**  
 跳 給 世 人 賜 生 命 加 力 量;  
 現 給 世 人 帶 來 愛 和 禮 物;  
 火 之 舌, 跳 動 飛 舞, 心 深 處, 朝 思 暮  
 麵 之 酵, 悄 然 膨 升, 盛 宴 上, 醇 香 美  
 想, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。  
 酒, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。

Charge and Benediction

Postlude





## *About the Music...*

**The adaptation of an older paraphrase of Psalm 103 from our opening hymn is informed by an awareness that much of the received language of religious traditions enshrines social values that obscure the goodness of God, which far transcends all our labels and categories and hierarchies.**

**Our closing hymn has become a favorite of mine. Reversing the usual order, the hymn began with the music rather than the words. The composer (from Singapore) sent this tune to the author (in New Zealand) to see what text it might inspire from her. She also suggested the tune name, a Maori phrase meaning “Holy Spirit.”**



The work, worship, pastor and leadership of Geneva.

**Comfort for the Family and Friends of**

**Elaine Brasted;**

**Jim Torrence;**

The family and friends of John McKenna, friend of Jim and Sara Torrence

Ray Johnson, father of Katie Harris;

Ruth Harris, mother of Jim Harris

Derrick Brown, family of Scott Brown

**Healing and Comfort for**

**Brent Davis, spine surgery;**

**Carole Haller, health concerns;**

Barbara and Paul Prosswimmer, health concerns;

Rosie Perthel, health concerns;

Jan Sengers, colleague of Sara Torrence, health concerns

Earl Baker, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence, health concerns

Bill Bryan, father of Letitia Denaburg, health concerns;

Pepe Marin, continued treatment for cancer;

Jack, friend of Kyla and Vince Lupo

Scott Brown, health concerns;

Nancy Rawson, hip replacement surgery

Robin Kough, cancer treatment

Tomoko Alexander, mother of Jeff Alexander, recovering from a fall and hip surgery

Beverly Pitts Cain, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence, surgery from brain tumor

Ken Adams, father of Juliet Hiemberg, health concerns;

Briana Cochran, cousin of Thibau Family, health concerns;

Rosalie Ruff, health concerns;

Ellie Croft, friend of Gretchen Winch, health concerns;

George Ehler, relative of friend of Ken Sprinkle, health concerns;

Betty Halls, health concerns;

Lorraine Leicht, Renee Moloznik's mother, health issues;

Dinah Paffrath, aunt of Renee Moloznik, receiving cancer treatments;

Carl Perthel, health concerns;

Isabelle Schuessler, friend of Scott Brown, health concerns;

Joanne Elder, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence, cancer;

Mary Bird, aunt of Renee Moloznik, health concerns;

Justin Pack, nephew of PJ Davis, diagnosed with ALS;

Daniel Adkins, nephew of Kyla and Vince Lupo, health concerns;

Donald Schuessler, friend of Scott Brown, health concerns;

Emilia Monte, friend of Sara and Jim Torrence, recurring cancer;

Jeff Leicht, Renee Moloznik's brother;

Judith Sadler, mother to Tom Sadler, mental illness and PG County guardianship care;

Leland Perthel, recovering from concussion;

Sandra Kichefski, sister of Sheri Sankey, health concerns;

Zoë, friend of Bob and Rhonda Ricci, health concerns;

**Prayers for Peace**

Daniel Kough, son of Jack and Robin Kough, home from Afghanistan.

Walter Sprinkle, son of Ken and Nan Sprinkle, US Army Special Training

**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:** *Sheena Galliani (1/5); Bob Ricci (1/6); Jacquelyn Kough (1/6); Rosalie Ruff (1/8); Allyson McElwaine (1/14); Sara Torrence (1/17); Amanda White(1/18); Terry Shima (1/20) ; Malachi McElwaine (1/23); Carole Haller (1/25); Eric Winchenbach (1/26); Ruth Nunn (1/28); Ani Cherot (1/30)*

## **This Week at Geneva**

Sunday, January 16	10:30am	<b>Worship</b> – In-Person and Online
Wed, January 19	7:00pm	<b>Bible Study</b>
Sunday, January 23	10:30am	<b>Worship</b> – In-Person and Online

- **Updated COVID Guidelines!**

Session has approved an updated set of COVID Guidelines for Geneva Presbyterian that are in line with changing pandemic guidelines and the needs specific to our congregation. Please review and abide by these guidelines to keep our community safe if you come to Geneva in person.

**Update Approved Nov. 22, 2021**

1. Masks will be worn inside the church building and social distancing will be practiced. If a person is unable or unwilling to wear a mask, they may join us online for worship at this time.
2. The Pastor and Liturgist may remove their masks while leading worship in the chancel area.
3. The sanctuary will open for worshippers at 10:15.
4. Please enter through the main glass doors on the Seven Locks Rd. side of the building.
5. Check in procedure: all worshippers will provide their name for contact tracing, answer the standard "COVID questions," and have their temperature checked upon arrival. Hand sanitizing stations and masks will be available.
6. If any member of a household has a temperature above 100.4 degrees the entire household will be asked to leave and worship with us virtually until safe to return. If you don't feel well, please don't come to church in person.
7. Greeters will help with check in and questions. Ushers will guide worshippers to their seats in the sanctuary.
8. Child care is being offered in a downstairs school classroom. Masks are encouraged if a child is able to wear one. An Usher can help guide caregivers and children to the child care space.
9. Individually sealed communion cups will be provided upon arrival for services when we celebrate the Lord's Supper.
10. Offerings and donations may be made online or in the physical offering plate located next to the sanctuary doors.
11. The congregation may sing with masks on.
12. Geneva Day School areas are strictly off limits to maintain safety for students and staff (with the exception of child care during worship).
13. Please obey all posted signs and do your part to keep our community safe!
14. These guidelines apply to everyone equally, regardless of vaccination status.

- **Pastor Patrick on Vacation**

Pastor Patrick will be on vacation January 17 - January 23. If you have a pastoral need during this time please contact your Deacon. Happy New Year, and many thanks to Pastor Mark Greiner for leading worship on January 23rd!



- **Thank You!**

Thank you for your generous pledges and contributions to God's ministry in and through Geneva Presbyterian Church! This year many people made pledges, some new folks made a pledge for the first time, and many are continuing their financial giving of all sorts in this new year. God has big plans in store for us in 2022 and your stewardship of time, talent, and treasure is vital to everything we do in Christ's name.



Though our "Open Hearts, Open Minds" 2022 stewardship campaign is over, responding to God's generosity with the fullness of our lives is an everyday thing. Thank you for being such generous, dedicated disciples: together we are transforming lives and sharing God's welcome near and far.

- **JOIN US FOR OUR WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY!**

Happy New Year! How about this for a new year's resolution (or really just a great thing to do at any time of the year): hop on for Bible Study this coming week! This dedicated and fun group meets every Wednesday @ 7:00pm Eastern for scripture study, prayer, and fellowship. You're officially invited and it would be a joy to see you soon!



Virtual Bible Study: Wednesdays @ 7:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://bit.ly/3c3kscZ>

Meeting ID: 273 879 363

Password: 978348

- **The Inclement Weather Policy for Geneva:**

**Sundays:** If inclement weather is predicted for Sunday, a decision will be made by Pastor Patrick and the Elders on the Saturday immediately before the Sunday service in question.



For example, if a snow / ice storm is forecast for Sunday, December 8, the decision would be made on Saturday, December 7 and an all-church email will be sent out. Phone calls will be made to those who do not have email.

Please use your own judgment about coming to worship if the weather is "iffy." We do not want anyone to get in an accident coming to church, or fall on the ice /snow in the parking lot. If in doubt, err on the side of caution and stay home!

- **Worship Flowers**

Would you like to sponsor Geneva's Sunday morning worship flowers to enhance our gift of worship to God? If so, the cost is \$35 per week and the flowers can be dedicated in honor of or memory of a loved one or for another specified reason.

To sponsor our worship flowers for the week, please use our [SignUp Genius](#) (online payment available) or contact Melissa in the church office at [Melissa.genevapotomac@gmail.com](mailto:Melissa.genevapotomac@gmail.com) or (301) 424-4346.



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- **Virtual Church with Geneva Presbyterian: Sundays @ 10:30am**

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://bit.ly/2SL4E76>

Meeting ID: 668 560 374

Password: 240543

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- **Geneva Worship Videos**

Geneva Presbyterian worship videos are available on our church website the Monday following each service. Please share worship recordings with friends and family and join us for worship later if you couldn't make it live!

[Click HERE to watch our past Virtual Worship services!](#)



## Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor; Ben Shaver, Music Director;  
Alice Franks, Lector; Kyla Lupo, Zoom Host.

### Church Elders

Jane Campbell, Carl Perthel, Daniel Ricci,  
Tom Sadler, Sheri Sankey, Amanda White,  
Elaine Winch

### Church Deacons

Ludivine Kom-Liapoe, Bobbie Maxwell,  
Allyson McElwaine, Renee Moloznik,  
Rosie Perthel, Jessie Ricci, Rhonda Ricci

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

Today's flowers are given by:

Sara Torrence In honor of what would have been our 52nd wedding anniversary.

AND

Renee Moloznik In Memory of Terry Moloznik.



**Geneva warmly welcomes all our guests joining us today**



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