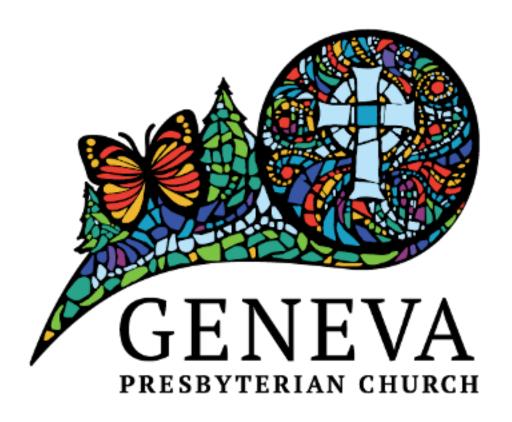
# **JANUARY 30, 2022**



# **GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Rev. Patrick McElwaine, Pastor

# Geneva Presbyterian Church

January 30, 2022

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

10:30am

# 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: Thank you, God, for gathering us in this time and space.

Many: The good news of the gospel is this: the God of all creation came to dwell among us, but we crucified this revelation of God's abundant love.

One: God went to the depths of sadness and pain to share this proclamation of mercy, welcome, and forgiveness

Many: and through Christ's resurrection we are drawn back into eternal oneness with the One we worship.

One: This is good news for all we receive it!

Many: May we receive, believe, and share this good news!

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION





Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

TEXT: Frances Ridley Havergal, 1872, alt. MUSIC: Robert Schumann, 1839, alt.

CANONBURY

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

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and live with dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the holy leading of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace. Through Jesus Christ our Savior, hear now our silent prayers...

#### Assurance of Pardon

## **Congregational Response**



## **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)

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

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 1:4-10

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading Luke 4:16-30

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Even Jesus Got Run Out of Town" Rev. Patrick McElwaine

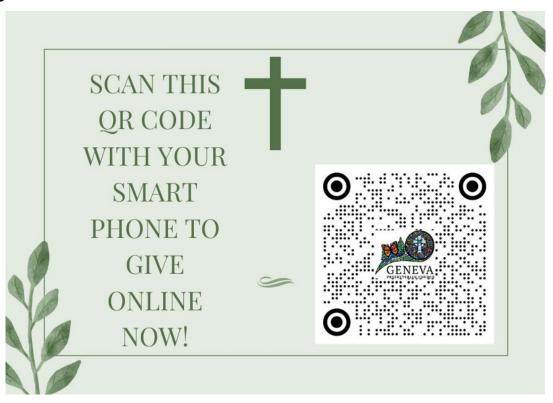
**Affirmation of Faith/Appostles' Creed** (in unison)

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.

(\*meaning all of God's churches)

# The Thanksgiving

## The Offering



## **Music Offering**

## **Prayer of Dedication**

# The Sending

### **Closing Hymn**

### "Will You Come and Follow Me"

**GTG 726** 

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION

# 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

#### The Summons



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
3 "Will you let the blind ed see if I but call your name?

3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name? 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?

5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same? Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er the same? pris-oners free and nev - er Will you set the the same? Will you quell the in - side and nev - er the fear same? Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er the same.



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known; Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen, Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round, In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



will you let my life be grown in you and you me?" Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you me?" ad - mit what I mean in you and you me?" and touch and sound in you and you me?" through my sight I'll move and live and grow in you and you me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

## **Charge and Benediction**

#### **Postlude**

About the Whisic...

The opening and closing stanzas of the opening hymn, express the essence of this folk-style song about the mutuality of servant ministry: those who serve must also be willing to be served. This is what Christ intended when he commanded the disciples to "wash one another's feet" (John 13:14).

Our closing hymn is a personal favorite. John Bell, who wrote the lyrics to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry, set the lyrics to a traditional Scottish Tune. This summer, at the Massanetta Springs Bible and Music Conferences, John Bell will be leading our worship services and bible study as Massanetta Springs celebrates 100 years of providing camps and conferences for people of faith.

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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 30	10:30am	<b>Worship</b> – In-Person and Online
Monday, January 31	7:00pm	Meeting – Session
Wed, February 2	7:00pm	Bible Study
Sunday, February 6	10:30am	Worship – 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

- 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.

## 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!

<u>Virtual Bible Study: Wednesdays @ 7:00pm</u> Join Zoom Meeting: <a href="https://bit.ly/3c3kscZ">https://bit.ly/3c3kscZ</a>

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 <u>SignUp Genius</u> (online payment available) or contact Melissa in the church office at <u>Melissa.genevapotomac@gmail.com</u> or (301) 424-4346.



PLEASE SUPPORT GOD'S MINISTRY
THROUGH GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE, TABLET,
COMPUTER OR MAIL!

# **Three Ways to Give:**

- **Online** using this link <u>https://genevapotomac.org/give/online-giving/</u>
- By App: download Vanco Mobile , create an account, Invitation code for Geneva Presbyterian Church (Potomac, MD): 3DS2A8
- **By Mail:** checks securely received at : 11931 Seven Locks Road Potomac, MD 20854

## • Virtual Church with Geneva Presbyterian: Sundays @ 10:30am

Join Zoom Meeting: <a href="https://bit.ly/2SL4E76">https://bit.ly/2SL4E76</a>

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; Jane Campbell, Lector; Tom Sadler, 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: Janelle Thibau to the Glory of God



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



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