

# Our MISSION

To remember, tell, and live the way of Jesus by being just, kind and humble. Geneva also is an inclusive congregation, who together are...



## Worshipping

"O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!"

– Psalm 95:6



## Learning

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

– 2 Peter 3:18



## Connecting

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

– Galatians 6:2



## Giving

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

– Matthew 6:21



## Serving

"When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them...Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'"

Matthew 9:36-38

IN COMMUNITY WITH



# Geneva

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Loving God • Loving Others • Making Disciples

**April 14, 2024**

Third Sunday of Easter

## SERMON SERIES

Celebrating the Resurrection in a Broken World

## TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Steele

"Not Guilty"

## TEXTS

Acts 13:37-39

Psalm 111

Luke 1:76b-79

Colossians 1:21-23b

## Thank you to today's door greeters!

Elders *John Pomery* and *Patty Georges* are welcoming you to worship this morning on behalf of the Geneva session, which is the governing body of the church. Learn more about our current ruling elders at [genevapres.org/elders](http://genevapres.org/elders).

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

### 10:30am – On Campus

Join us in the Sanctuary.

### 10:30am – Online

Connect at [genevapres.org](http://genevapres.org),  
[Youtube \(youtube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc\)](http://Youtube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc)

## SUNDAY CLASSES

### KIDS DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

(infant through 5th grade)

**9-10am** - Room 2

**10:30-11:30am**

**Nursery** Rm 2; **PreK- 5th** drop-off in Sanctuary, pick up: PreK/Rm 2, 1st-3rd/Rm25, 4th-5th/Rm 29

### GENEVA YOUTH

(6th-12th grade)

**9-10am:** Drop-off / pick-up, room 29 (Youth Room).

**10:30 - 11:30am:** Attend service with leaders in Sanctuary.

### ADULTS

#### **The Network**

9am in McLennan Lounge

The *Feasting on the Word* curriculum used for the lectionary scripture is also the basis for study for this class. Led by rotating leaders, discussions veer into how scripture relates to current events.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

*"Adagio" from Organ Sonata No. 1*

Felix Mendelssohn  
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

Welcome

Reading from the Acts of the Apostles:  
Acts 13:37-39 (NT p161)

Rev. Dr. Mickie Choi-Hoe

Call to Worship†

Congregational Hymn

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

*Glory to God #245*

Prayer of Confession††

Moment for Connecting

Children up to 5th grade are escorted to classrooms.

Psalter Reading: Psalm 111 (OT p691)

Musical Offering

*Bright and Beautiful (a Children's Suite)*

arr. Mark Hayes  
Holly Moore Harvey, mezzo-soprano  
Juanita Tsu, piano

*Praise him, praise him, all ye little children, God is love.*

*Love him, love him all ye little children God is love.*

*All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, our dear God made them all.*

*Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
God made their glowing colors and made their tiny wings.*

*All things, bright and beautiful....*

*The cold wind and the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the fruits in the garden, He made them everyone.*

*Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.*

*Little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.*

*Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so.*

*God loves us, one and all!*

Gospel Reading: Luke 1:76b-79 (NT p70)

† Based on (Psalm 51:13,15) ~ posted by Steve Brown on *Worship Ideas You Can Use*. <http://sjbrown58.wordpress.com/>.

†† Written by Rev. Mindi and posted on her *Rev-o-lution* website. <http://rev-o-lution.org/>.

Anthem  
Mercy

Craig Courtney; words by Susan Bentall Boersma  
Geneva Chancel Choir; Eileen O'Hern, director

*I dare not lift my guilty eyes. I hide my lips in trembling shame.  
And in the darkness of my soul, I shrink from Your rekindling flame.  
Kyrie eleison, have mercy.*

*In mercy cover me with grace and blot out my iniquity.  
Renew my heart and wash me clean; grant with Your pardon, purity.  
Kyrie eleison, have mercy.*

*In equal measure of Your love, You promise mercy,  
tender compassion to the one who seeks Your face.  
A broken heart, a fainting soul, a contrite spirit  
together cry for Your forgiveness and Your grace.*

*Against You only have I sinned. My deeds are evil in Your sight.  
Of Your forgiveness let me sing, and in my singing take delight.  
Kyrie eleison, have mercy.*

Epistle Reading: Colossians 1:21-23b (NT p244)

Congregational Hymn  
*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

*Glory to God #260*

Message: *Not Guilty*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Pastoral Prayer

Opportunity to Be Generous

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons  
See announcements for list.

Congregational Hymn  
*There Is a Redeemer*

*Glory to God #443*

Life at Geneva

Blessing

Postlude  
*"Allegro assai vivace" from Organ, Sonata No.1*

Felix Mendelssohn

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### April 22-28

Time Event / Location

#### Monday 4/15

8am Rowdies / Ann  
3:30pm Line Dancing / SB

#### Tuesday 4/16

6:30pm Chair Yoga / Zoom

#### Wednesday 4/17

12pm GPW Luncheon / SH  
6pm Youth Group / YR

#### Thursday 4/18

3:30pm Line Dancing / SB  
6:30pm Chair Yoga / Zoom  
7:30pm Chancel Choir / CR

#### Friday 4/19

11am Al-Anon/ Ann

#### Saturday 4/20

7:30am Men's Bible Study / ML

#### Sunday 4/21

9am Geneva Kids/Rm 2  
9am Geneva Youth/Rm 29  
9am The Network / ML  
10am ITPC Worship / CHAP  
10am Courtyard Cafe  
10:30am Worship / San & Online

#### Location Key:

Ann = Annex  
CHAP = Chapel  
CY = Courtyard  
CW = Campus Wide  
CR = Choir Room  
EB = Education Bldg.  
FB = Facebook  
LIB = Library  
ML = McLennan Lounge  
OC = Off Campus  
PL = Parking Lot  
SB = Saddleback Rm  
San = Sanctuary  
SH = Simpson Hall  
YR = Youth Room  
YT = YouTube

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ORDINATION/INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

Thank you to these Genevans for their commitment to the church as they are ordained and/or installed into ordered ministry.

#### Elders:

- Christine Njoroge – Faith Formation/Youth
- Bill Sutfin – Congregational Life
- Tom Jenkins – Human Resources
- Dr. Jack Clement – Property

#### Deacons:

- Gwen Sutfin
- Linda Widdowson

### O'NEILL/BOYER SCHOLARSHIP

*Deadline is **April 30th.***

Geneva members, and relatives of members, may be eligible to receive the O'Neill/Boyer academic scholarship. These awards assist new high school graduates entering college or those returning to school to finish a degree, pursuing an advanced degree or special training. Visit [genevapres.org/scholarships](http://genevapres.org/scholarships) for details and to complete an application.

### GPW APRIL LUNCHEON

*Fun With Flowers*

*Wednesday, April 17th, 12-2pm*

Join Geneva Presbyterian Women in Simpson Hall for food, fellowship and a flower arranging demonstration by two of our talented GPW ladies, Karen Jackson and Linda Widdowson. Please bring a dish to share.

### GENEVA BOOK CLUB

*Tuesday, April 23rd, 1-2pm, Annex*

Come join the discussion! The book focus for this meeting is *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* by Patti Henry. To participate via zoom, join the group at [genevapres.churchcenter.com/groups](http://genevapres.churchcenter.com/groups).

### GPW POLLY'S FUNDRAISER

*Tuesday, April 23rd, 8am-8pm*

Present a Polly's Pies fundraiser flyer to your server at the Laguna Woods location and 20% of your bill will be donated to Geneva Presbyterian Women. Flyers are available on the courtyard, in the church office or download at [genevapres.org/events](http://genevapres.org/events).

### TEA TICKETS ON SALE NOW

*This year's event is Saturday, May 4th*

This afternoon of fellowship hosted by Geneva Presbyterian Women. Buy tickets (\$5) Sundays on the courtyard, in the church office or online at [genevapres.org/events](http://genevapres.org/events). Seating requests may be made at time of purchase.

### JOIN THE DISCUSSION

As a next step in preparing the church for a pastor search, our session will be discussing two books by author N. Graham Standish and the entire congregation is invited to participate.

- **Book #1 Discussion:**  
*Saturday, April 27th, 10-11:30am*  
*...And the Church Actually Changed.*
- **Book #2 Discussion:**  
*Sunday, May 19th, 11:35am –1pm*  
*(A light lunch will be provided.)*  
*Preaching to Those Walking Away.*

Buy at [genevapres.churchcenter.com](http://genevapres.churchcenter.com) or in the church office while supplies last. If you have already purchased a book(s) they are ready for pick up in the church office. You may also buy directly at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com).

### PC(USA) PENTECOST OFFERING

*Give now through May 19th*

This offering is a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and gifts with the church and the world. Give online at [genevapres.churchcenter.com/giving](http://genevapres.churchcenter.com/giving) (choose Pentecost Offering in the dropdown menu) or use the special envelope in your offering envelope box.

## CONNECT

### PASTOR

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### GENEVA ONLINE

 [genevapres.org](http://genevapres.org)

 [facebook.com/genevapresoc](https://facebook.com/genevapresoc)

 [youtube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc](https://youtube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc)

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### OFFICE INFORMATION

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#### Office Hours:

Mon. -Thurs., 9am-4pm and Fridays  
9am-1pm.

#### 24-Hour Emergency Line:

949-837-2323

### CAMPUS PARTNERS

#### Geneva Children's Center

Preschool for children age 2-6  
Amy Lussier, Director / 949-581-2200  
[genevacc.org](http://genevacc.org)

#### Irvine Taiwanese Presbyterian Church

Worship service Sundays at 10am in the chapel. Albany Lee, Pastor  
[albany.lee@gmail.com/irvinetpc.org](mailto:albany.lee@gmail.com/irvinetpc.org)

#### The Geneva School

Education for K-8th Grade  
Gina Bonecutter, Head of School  
[genevaschooloc.org](http://genevaschooloc.org) / 949-377-1616