

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

September 17, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Words & Deed Part 2: "Really! They Are Life Changing"

TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

"Divine Forgiveness Is Conditional"

TEXTS

Genesis 50:15-21

Psalm 103:8-13

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35

Thank you to today's door greeters!

Bill Sutfin and Glen Payne are welcoming you today on behalf of *The Rowdies*, a group which meets every Monday morning from 8am-12pm for fellowship and facility repairs. Join them!

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:30am – On Campus

Join us in the Sanctuary.

10:30am – Online

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

9AM ADULT CLASSES

- *Exploring the Bible Together*,
Annex
- *The Network*, McLennan Lounge
- *The Bible Project*, Saddleback
Room

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Prelude in G Major
from *The Well-Tempered Clavier, Book II*

J.S. Bach
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship†

Jack Clement, elder

Psalter Reading: Psalm 103:8-13 (OT page 681)

Congregational Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

Glory to God #619

Prayer of Confession†

Moment for Connecting

(Children up to 5th grade are escorted to classrooms.)

Let Us Build a House

Glory to God #301, v. 5

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 50:15-21 (OT page 60)

Musical Offering

Gebet ("Prayer")

Hugo Wolf
poem by Mörike; transl. Stephen Oey
Stephen Oey, baritone

Lord, send me what You will,
Be joy or be it sorrow;
I am content, that grace
Flows from within your hands.

Whether with joy,
Or whether with sorrow,
Please give me pure contentment
For your desires
will become my own.

† The *Call to Worship*, *Prayer of Confession* and *Prayer of the Day* are adapted and/or taken from
Connections Worship Companion, Year A, Volume II (Louisville, Kentucky: Westminster John Knox
Press, 2022).

Epistle Reading: Romans 14:1-12 (NT page 198)

Anthem

Here's One

traditional; arr. Mark Hayes
Geneva Chancel Choir; Eileen O'Hern, director
Stephen Oey, baritone; Kathy Oh, oboe

Talk about a child who do love Jesus, here's one, here's one.

Talk about a child who do love Jesus, here's one, here's one.

Ever since I heard the gospel story, I been walkin' up the road to glory.

Talk about a child who do love Jesus, here's one.

Talk about a child who's been forgiven, here's one....

Ever since I heard the gospel story, I been walkin' up the road to glory,

Talk about a child who's been forgiven, here's one.

Talk about a child who's been converted, here's one....

Ever since I heard the gospel story, I been walkin' up the road to glory,

Talk about a child who's been converted, here's one.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:21-35 (NT page 24)

Message: *Divine Forgiveness Is Conditional*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Prayer of the Day† and The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Hymn

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Glory to God #316

Opportunity to Be Generous

Blessing

Postlude

Aria (Adagio) from Cantata No. 202

J. S. Bach
Kathy Oh, oboe

WEEKLY CALENDAR

September 18-24

Time Event / Location

Monday 9/18

8am Rowdies / Ann

10am Chair Yoga / Zoom

3pm Line Dancing / SB

Wednesday 9/20

10am Chair Yoga / Zoom

12pm GPW Luncheon / SH

6pm Youth Group / YR

Thursday 9/21

3pm Line Dancing / SB

7:30pm Chancel Choir / CR

Friday 9/22

11am Al-Anon / Ann

Saturday 9/23

9am Dementia Ed Series / ML

Sunday 9/24

9am Geneva Kids/Rm 2

9am Geneva Youth/Rm 29

9am Exploring the Bible / Ann

9am The Network / ML

9am The Bible Project / SB

10am ITPC Worship / CHAP

10:30am Worship / San & Online

3pm Formosa Concert / San

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

NEW MEMBER EXPERIENCE

Saturday, September 16 • 9:30am in McLennan Lounge

This class is for those who are ready for membership or want to discover what it means to become a Geneva member. We'll discuss: *Why join the church?*, *What are the benefits of belonging?*, *How do I find my fit?* and more. Register at genevapres.org/events.

GPW MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, September 20 • 12pm in Simpson Hall

All women are invited to attend this monthly luncheon gathering featuring fun speakers, activities and engaging fellowship. This month, GPW welcomes Dr. Ron Shackelford, as he presents "The Jesus of Joy".

YOUTH GROUP HEADS TO TRABUCO PRESBYTERIAN

Wednesday, September 20 • 7-8pm

Geneva Youth, grades 6-12, will be meeting with the Youth Group of Trabuco Presbyterian Church (31802 Las Amigas Dr, Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679) for a night of food, fun, and a beautiful message. Students will need to arrange their own transportation to and from Trabuco Presbyterian.

DEMENTIA EDUCATION SERIES CONTINUES

Saturday, September 23 • 9-11:30am in Simpson Hall

Geneva is hosting the second of a free three-part educational series presented by Alzheimer's of Orange County. The

September topic is **Understanding the Continuum of Care**, a discussion that will help decode the mysteries of levels of care, how they are paid for, and when they are necessary. Invite



anyone you feel needs additional resources to help navigate this life altering illness. A continental breakfast will be provided at each event. Please RSVP to Aaron Leal at a.leal@alzoc.org.

LA FORMOSA CHOIR CONCERT

Sunday, September 24 • 3pm in the Sanctuary

Genevans and friends are invited to enjoy an afternoon of sacred choral music presented by the Los Angeles Formosan Master Chorale and the South Bay Taiwanese Presbyterian Church Choir. The concert is entitled *Tyson Hsias: Melody of Life*, and features Conductor Li-Ying Shang, Pianist Susanna Chu and Dennis Lin on Violin. Admission is free.

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

Ends October 1

The PC(USA) Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to address systems of conflict and injustice in the world. Give online at genevapres.org/giving (choose Peace & Global Witness) in the dropdown menu) or use the special envelope in your offering envelope box.

UNDIE SUNDIE RESULTS

Last Sunday, Genevans gave an enormous gift to the men and women served by the Orange County Rescue Mission.

Results of our underwear drive:

- 75 packets of men's underwear (that's 372 pairs!)
- 11 packets of ladies underwear (73 pairs)
- 2 packets of socks (16 pairs)
- \$315 donated to purchase additional items

Your open and caring hearts will help men and women as they work to turn their lives around. The Missional Life Ministry Team extends grateful thanks to all!

CONNECT

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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

Irvine Taiwanese Presbyterian Church

Worship service Sundays at 10am in the chapel. Albany Lee, Pastor
albany.lee@gmail.com/irvinetpc.org

The Geneva School

Education for K-8th Grade
Gina Bonecutter, Head of School
genevaschooloc.org / 949-377-1616