

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, March 12, 11:30am

The Stated Meeting of the Congregation will be in the Sanctuary and will begin immediately following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to elect Elders for the Class of 2026 and the Nominating Committee for 2023-2024. Elders for election: **Barbara Lorenzen, Ray Miller, Patty Georges** and **John Pomery**. Nominating Committee members: **Penny Prol, Mark Reed, Mary Gonzales, Jason MacAllister, Daria Clement** and **Elena Bennett**. This is important for the life of Geneva and your vote matters. Thank you!

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

"Philemon & Social Ethics in the 21st Century"

Sunday, March 12 & 19, 11:30am

A verse by verse exposition of Philemon will address the similarities in societal ethics between the 1st Century CE and the 21st Century CE. A light lunch will be served. A donation is suggested. **The Study will begin immediately following the Congregational Meeting.**

GPW LUNCHEON

Wednesday, March 15, 12pm

Geneva Presbyterian Women invite all women to join them for an architectural tour of the church examining intentional design features meant to express and celebrate our Christian faith. Please bring a dish to share.

ORDER EASTER FLOWERS

Now through March 26

Recognize your loved ones and help us decorate our worship spaces. Each plant is



\$13 and will be displayed in the Sanctuary. Order online from the homepage of the Geneva website (genevapres.org). You may also pick up a form in the church office during the week or at the Welcome Center in the courtyard on Sunday mornings.

TOUGH TALKS

Sunday, March 26, 11:30am

Simpson Hall

Topic: What does "salvation" mean? and how does a person receive God's salvation?

Immediately following 10:30am worship, Pastors Steve and Ryan are joined by Rev. Dr. Howard Hsieh to discuss difficult passages in the Bible from three different Christian perspectives. This includes Q+A with the panel. Lunch is included and a free will offering will be taken to cover the cost of food.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Give **now through April 9** to the PC(USA) One Great Hour of Sharing offering. The programs supported – Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People – work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. Give online at genevapres.churchcenter.com/giving (choose PCUSA One Great Hour of Sharing in the dropdown menu) or use the special envelope in your offering envelope box.

ENVELOPE BOXES HAVE ARRIVED!




Pick up your offering envelope boxes in the Narthex for the next few Sundays or stop by the church office during the week. The office is open Mon.-Thur. 9am-4pm, and 9am-1pm on Fridays. Thank you for your patience!

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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

Our MISSION

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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

March 12, 2023

Third Sunday in Lent

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Obedience: "The Spiritual Discipline For Transformation"

TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh
"Jesus Cannot Be the Messiah, Can He?"

TEXTS

Exodus 17:1-7
Psalm 95
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-30

Thank you to today's door greeters!

Glenn Payne and *Bill Sutfin* are welcoming us to worship this morning on behalf of the **Rowdies**, the "handy-folk" of Geneva, who gather every Monday morning at the church at 8am for fellowship and facility repairs.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:30am – On Campus
Join us in the Sanctuary. Masks recommended but not required.

10:30am – Online
Connect at genevapres.org,
[Youtube](https://www.youtube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc) (youtube.com/
genevapresbyterianchurchoc) or
[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/genevapresoc) (facebook.com/
genevapresoc).

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.

7pm - High School Hang
To participate, email Pastor Ryan at
rromberg@genevapres.org

9AM ADULT CLASSES
Exploring the Bible Together in
the Annex
The Network in McLennan Lounge
The Bible Project in the Saddleback
Room

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude
Land of Rest American melody, arr. Dale Wood
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

Welcome The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

Life at Geneva

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 17:1-7 (page OT 79)

Call to Worship† Rod Kingston, elder

Congregational Hymn
I Sing the Mighty Power of God *Glory to God* #32

Prayer of Confession†

Passing of the Blessing

Psalter Reading: Psalm 95 (page OT 676)

Musical Offering
I Will Sing a Sunday Song words and music by Pepper Choplin
Holly Moore Harvey, mezzo-soprano
Stephen Oey, baritone; Juanita Tsu, piano

*I will sing a Sunday song, but not one day in seven.
I'll sing the music all week long to touch the world with heaven.
For praise is not a time or place, it is a way of living,
responding to God's love and grace by loving and forgiving.*

*Come and sing the Sunday song,
raise the music all life long.
Sing the joy of your salvation
and live in celebration.*

*I will sing a Sunday song, but not one day in seven,
I'll sing the music all week long to touch the world with heaven.
Come sing a song of victory for there's no use in waiting.
With Christ as Lord each day will be a time for celebrating.*

*Come and sing the Sunday song,
raise the music all life long.
Sing the joy of your salvation
and live in celebration.*

*We will sing a Sunday song, the voice will never waver
as God will help us sing it strong to praise his name forever.*

† The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession are adapted and/or taken from *Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year A, Vol I* (Louisville, Kentucky: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013).

Epistle Reading: Romans 5:1-11 (page NT 188)

Anthem
Come to Me words and music by Craig Courtney
Geneva Chancel Choir; Eileen O'Hern, director

*Come to Me, all ye heavy-laden, come and I will give you rest.
Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me.
For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.
Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me.*

And you shall find rest for your souls.

*Come to Me, all ye tired and weary, come and I will give you rest.
Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me.
For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.
Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me.*

For I am gentle and humble in heart. Come home at last.

Gospel Reading: John 4:5-30 (page NT 115)

Message: Jesus Cannot Be the Messiah, Can He?

Congregational Hymn
I, the Lord of Sea and Sky *Glory to God* #69

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Opportunity to Be Generous

Blessing

Postlude
Grand Chorus in A Minor Charles Demorest
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

SERMON NOTES:

WEEKLY CALENDAR

March 13-19

Time	Event / Location
Monday 3/13	
8am	Rowdies /Ann
10am	Chair Yoga / Zoom
3:30pm	Line Dancing / SB
Tuesday 3/14	
3:30pm	Stephen Ministry Training / Library
Wednesday 3/15	
10am	Chair Yoga / Zoom
12pm	GPW Luncheon / AH
6pm	Youth Program / OC
Thursday 3/16	
3:30pm	Line Dancing / SB
7:30pm	Chancel Choir / CR
Friday 3/17	
11am	Al-Anon / Ann
Saturday 3/18	
7:30-am	Men's Bible Study / ML
Sunday 3/19	
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
11:30am	Pastor's Study / ML
7pm	High School Hang/OC

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
Z = Zoom