

IN COMMUNITY WITH



Geneva

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Loving God • Loving Others

ONLINE WORSHIP

Sundays, 10:30am
(until further notice)



March 21, 2021

Fifth Sunday in Lent

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Jesus' Message: You Are One With Everyone

TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

"Yes. Tear Down That Wall of Bitterness."

TEXTS

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 51:1-12

Hebrews 5:5-10

John 12:20-33

Geneva Presbyterian Church is a congregation aspiring to remember, tell and live the way of Jesus and encouraging others to join us on the journey.

Online Worship

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Visit us on the web genevapres.org

Learn more about Geneva and our mission in the Saddleback Valley and beyond.

First-Time Guests

We're glad you're here! Help us get to know you by texting WELCOME to (949) 575-8675.

Village TV Rebroadcast Sundays @ 10:30am

Rewatch the previous week's worship service on Laguna Woods Village TV (Channels 6, 6.1 or 406) Sundays at 10:30am. Catch up on any sermon series or rewatch any time on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) or [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com).

Give Online @

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

In the Cross of Christ I Glory arr. Wilbur Held

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship

Psalter Reading: Psalm 51:1-12

Rod Kingston, Elder

Prayer of Confession

Passing of the Blessing

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 5:5-10

Musical Offering

You Gave Your Life Away Paul Baloche / Kathryn Scott

Gospel Reading: John 12:20-33

Prayer of Illumination

Message

Musical Offering

His Hands Ruth Elaine Schram

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

An Opportunity to Be Generous

Closing Thoughts

Benediction



Regular Online Activities



SUNDAY CONNECTION

9am – Jesus & Jammies

Join Mr. Glen and company for live streaming of the Geneva Kids large group story.

10:30am – Live Stream Worship

Connect through genevapres.org, [YouTube](#) or [Facebook](#). Need assistance? Call the church during office hours at 949-837-2323.

11:30am – Exploring the Bible Together

Delve deeper into the Bible and fellowship together during this Zoom discussion.

11:30am – The Network

Discuss the morning's sermon and current events with this welcoming group via Zoom.

7pm - High School Hang

This weekly Zoom group provides a non-judgmental refuge for students to be authentically themselves. To participate, [join the secure high school group](#) online to get more info and password for the Zoom call. Questions? Email Pastor Ryan at rromberg@genevapres.org.

WEEKLY ZOOMIN'

If you have a computer, phone or tablet, you can participate in Geneva activities from home through ZOOM, a video conferencing app. If you need help getting started, email us at info@genevapres.org or call the church office. Learn more at genevapres.org/zoomactivities.

Support

STEPHEN MINISTRY

We have many Stephen Ministers serving the Geneva family. If you are struggling emotionally or spiritually our Stephen Ministers can provide additional care and support. If you are in need, email us at caring@genevapres.org. All requests are confidential. Learn more at genevapres.org/stephenministry.

PRAYER

Email us your prayer request at prayer@genevapres.org and our team of prayer warriors will lift up your concerns. All requests are strictly confidential.

Our MISSION

To make passionate followers of Jesus Christ who are...



Connecting

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

– Galatians 6:2



Learning

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

– 2 Peter 3:18



Worshipping

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

– Psalm 95:6



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.'"

Mark 9:36-38



Giving

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

– Matthew 6:21



CONNECTING

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

March 23, 1-2pm

The Commoner by John Burnham Schwartz is the focus of this meeting. The book for April is *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean. To participate, join the [Women's Book Club group here](#) to receive meeting details and a Zoom invitation. Check out books curb-side at most Public libraries or purchase used books at [amazon.com](#). If you have questions or need technical assistance, contact the church office at 949-837-2323 during office hours or email us at info@genevapres.org.

PRAYER LIST

[Click here to request prayer.](#)

Paul Arndt	Jack Garrison
Pat Chapman	Hank Green
Beth Coombs	The Horne Family
Norm Coombs	Harriet and Bink Lewis
Mary Enser	Joyce Walker

Church Prayer: Gracious, powerful, loving and "with us" God, thank you that there is one race. There is neither yellow, black or brown or white, but only one race. We're all created in the image of God (imago Dei) and color is an expression of Your unique and creative use of a palette of colors, like an artist painting a masterpiece. Unite all of us, regardless of color, gender identity and sexual orientation, into one family. May others see Jesus in me and all my siblings worldwide. In the name of Jesus I pray, Amen.



WORSHIPPING

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

April 4 - May 16

On Easter Sunday, Pastor Steve will begin the new sermon series *Jesus' Message: You Are The Conduit*. The Latasha Morrison book, *Be The Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation* is the resource for the series. Books are available for \$10 through the church while supplies last. For your copy, call us at 949-837-2323, [order online here](#) or send an email request to info@genevapres.org.

VILLAGE TV REBROADCAST

Sundays, 10:30am

Laguna Woods Village residents may view the previous week's worship service on Laguna Woods Village TV (Channels 6, 6.1 or 406) Sundays at 10:30am. Please share this information with others!

MEMBER SURVEY

Please complete by March 22

Geneva members, please don't forget to complete the recent survey sent to you via mail and email. Thank you for your feedback!

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday begins a week of live stream worship services both celebratory and somber as we walk through the events preceding Jesus' death. Connect to live stream services via [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#) or at genevapres.org.

Palm Sunday, March 28, 10:30am

Let's celebrate together Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem!

Maundy Thursday, April 1

We will not have a worship service on Maundy Thursday, but to commemorate the last Passover meal that Jesus shared with his disciples, we encourage you to read and reflect upon the following passages: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; and John 13:1-17, 31b-35.

Good Friday, April 2, 5pm

We mourn together Jesus' arrest, crucifixion and death.

Easter, April 4, 10:30am

HE IS RISEN! We celebrate the day Jesus rose from the dead, accomplishing forgiveness, rebirth and God's saving power for humanity.



ADMINISTRATION

JOB OPENING

Social Media Coordinator

The Social Media Coordinator is a part-time, hourly position (10 hours weekly). Educational and practical experience is required. Applications will be accepted through **March 31**. For details about the position and how to apply, download this complete [Job Description](#). Questions? Contact Edie Robertson at erobertson@genevapres.org.

O'NEILL/BOYER SCHOLARSHIPS

Geneva offers scholarships for student members and relatives of Geneva members pursuing a two-year, four-year, graduate degree or enrolled in a technical college/trade school. Applicants must submit an online application, provide an academic transcript and participate in an interview with committee members. Applications will be accepted at genevapres.org **April 1-30**. Interviews will be scheduled upon receipt of an application and transcript. Questions? Contact Howard Prol, at howken@att.net.



SERVING

LOVE PROJECT REVAMP Begins Saturday April 3

Love Project-Laguna, the ministry whereby Genevans made and delivered sack lunches to the homeless in Laguna Beach, became a casualty of the COVID-19 stay at home order. Yet, in the past year more people have been forced to live on the streets than ever before. So, instead of dropping the project altogether, ministry leaders have decided to pivot!

Beginning next month, with your help, the *Love Project* team is going to provide 30 sack lunches the first Saturday of every month to the city's Alternative Sleeping Location (ASL) on Laguna Canyon Road. We will miss the face-to-face interaction with our homeless friends, but this is a safer way to provide support for those who are suffering.

To lend a hand in making sandwiches, cutting up apples, providing baked goods and inspirational notes for the sack lunches, please visit the [Homeless Shelter Lunch](#) registration page for program details and to sign up. 🙏



LEARNING

LENTEN PASTOR STUDY March 24, 6:30-7:30pm

It's not too late to participate in the final meeting of Pastor Steve's Lenten Study, *Experiencing Community During Isolating Times*. [Register today!](#)

BEING A BRIDGE TRAINING COURSE

April 19, 26 & May 3, 10 6:30-8pm

This free, four-week course teaches practical, everyday ways to be the best Jesus someone sees, and has worked for homemakers and business folk, for old and young, for any ethnic background and cultural context. Using the *Bridges* training – based upon the type of training overseas missionaries receive – you will learn that anyone can effectively and lovingly share the love of Jesus with others.

The training will be done via Zoom. To participate, [register here](#) to receive meeting details and a Zoom invitation. For questions or technical assistance, call the church office at 949-837-2323 or email us at info@genevapres.org.

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OFFICE CLOSED

The office remains closed until further notice in response to the mandates from the governor's office. Please continue to do church business via phone and email and use the drop slot in the library door for deliverable items. Thank you for your understanding.

24-Hour Emergency Line

Dial 949-837-2323, press #1 and leave a message with your name and phone number. You will be contacted by the pastor on call as soon as possible.



PRESCHOOL

The **Geneva
Children's Center**

preschool welcomes children age 2-6. Year-round programs are available. Potty training not required. Learn more at genevacc.org or call Interim Director Amy Lussier at 949-581-2200 to schedule a visit.

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