

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

August 13, 2023

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Words & Deeds Part 1: "They Matter"

TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Ryan Romberg

"The Convergence of Faith and Doubt"

TEXTS

1 Kings 19:9-18

Psalm 85:8-13

Romans 10:5-15

Matthew 14:22-33

Thank you to today's door greeters!

Dave Lammert and Howard Prol are representing the Men's Bible Study group which meets the first and third Saturdays of the month at 7:30am in McLennan Lounge. Newcomers are welcome!

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

Moderato from Suite No.6

Georg Philipp Telemann
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

Welcome

The Rev. Ryan Romberg

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship†

Daphne Sykes

Psalter Reading: Psalm 85:8-13 (OT page 668)

Congregational Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

Glory to God #307

Prayers of Intercession†

Moment for Connecting

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

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 19:9-18 (OT page 404)

Epistle Reading: Romans 10:5-15 (NT p194)

Musical Offering

Sometimes a Light Surprises

Raymond Brown
words by William Cowper
Hannah Prince, soprano

*Sometimes a light surprises the Christian while he sings;
It is the Lord, who rises with healing in His wings:
When comforts are declining, he grants the soul again
A season of clear shining, to cheer it after rain.*

*In holy contemplation we sweetly then pursue
The theme of God's salvation, and find it ever new;
Set free from present sorrow, we cheerfully can say,
Let the unknown tomorrow bring with it what it may.*

*It can bring with it nothing but He will bear us through;
Who gives the lilies clothing will clothe His people, too;
Beneath the spreading heavens, no creature but is fed;
And He who feeds the ravens will give His children bread.*

*Though vine nor fig tree neither their wonted fruit should bear,
Though all the field should wither, nor flocks nor herds be there;
Yet God the same abiding, His praise shall tune my voice,
For while in Him confiding, I cannot but rejoice!*

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

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:22-33 (NT page 19)

Message: The Convergence of Faith and Doubt

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Anthem

The Miracle of Bread

Patti Brennan

words by Bert Stratton and Roger Thornhill
Summer Choir; Eileen O'Hern, director

*When Jesus blessed five loaves of bread,
thousands of guests were lovingly fed.
A miracle, a sacred sign,
a symbol of God's love divine.*

*Now we are fed the bread of life.
Come now and taste a blessing we all share.
God's perfect grace,
a gift beyond compare.*

*We thank the Son, God's Chosen One,
for manna from above.
The table waits, come celebrate
His everlasting love.*

*And on that day the people praised,
to see the pow'r of God displayed.
Abundant life from finest wheat,
a harvest gift for all to eat.*

*Come, all who hunger, all who mourn,
and know the goodness of the Lord.
Come take your place, the feast is spread
for Christ Himself is now our bread.*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Hymn

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Glory to God #817

Opportunity to Be Generous

Blessing

Postlude

Trumpet Tune on "Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah"

Larry Visser

Charlotte Hsieh, organ

WEEKLY CALENDAR

August 14-20

Time Event / Location

Monday 8/14

8am Rowdies /Ann

10am Chair Yoga / Zoom

Wednesday 8/16

10am Chair Yoga / Zoom

Friday 8/18

11am Al-Anon / Ann

Saturday 8/19

12pm Summer Daze Rally

Sunday 8/20

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

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



CHOIR-FOR-A-DAY

The music ministry thanks all of our "Choir-for-a-Day" participants who are inspiring us with

their voices this week. The

Geneva Chancel Choir is usually on hiatus in August so this is a fun opportunity for anyone who likes to sing to give the choir a trial run, or just for music lovers to lead worship in this special way. We are grateful for you!

GPW SUMMER DAZE RALLY

Saturday, August 19 • 12pm in Simpson Hall

August 14 is the last day to register for the upcoming Geneva Presbyterian Women "Oldies But Goodies" Summer Daze Rally! The vocal harmony group, *Asian Persuasion*, will be on hand singing music of the 50's, 60's and 70's. Register on the courtyard or call the church office at 949-837-2323.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, August 22 • 1-2pm in Annex

The book for August is *The Whistling Season* by Ivan Doig. To participate online, join the group at genevapres.churchcenter.com/groups to receive an email with the Zoom meeting ID. For technical assistance, call the church office at 949-837-2323 or email us at info@genevapres.org.



DEMENTIA EDUCATION SERIES

Saturday, August 26 • 9am-11:30am in Simpson Hall

If dementia or alzheimer's has touched your world, we invite you to attend the first of three free educational offerings presented by Alzheimer's of Orange County and

hosted by Geneva. The first topic is: **Living with Dementia: Making Each Day Count.** Caring for someone living with dementia can be a burden, but also has potential for moments of deep loving connection. Come learn how incorporating faith-based values enhances the journey and provides you with additional support. A continental breakfast will be provided. RSVP via email to Aaron Leal at a.leal@alzoc.org.

MISSION SUNDAY GUEST PREACHER

August 27 • 10:30am

As part of our Mission Sunday celebration, we are honored to welcome **LaVal Brewer**, President and CEO of South County Outreach as a guest preacher. Join us in welcoming Mr. Brewer, and show your support for our mission partners around the corner and around the world.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, August 27 • 11:30am

A Special Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, August 27th immediately after worship for the dissolution of the pastoral relationship between Pastor Steve and the Congregation. This meeting is a required step as outlined in the Presbyterian Church (USA) Book of Order for any pastor to retire. Geneva members are encouraged to attend.

MEET & GREET LUNCH

Sunday, September 3 • 11:45am in McLennan Lounge

Visitors and guests are invited to join us for a light lunch directly after worship to chat, ask questions and discover how we can help you connect with the church. This is a great first step if you are interested in Geneva membership. Register at genevapres.org/events.

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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