

# 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

**October 22, 2023**

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

## CURRENT SERMON SERIES

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

## TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

"Render Unto God What Is God's"

## TEXTS

Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalm 96:1-9

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22

## Thank you to today's door greeters!

The Rev. Dr. Mary Carol Perrott and Geneva member Im Sook Lee are welcoming you this morning. Want to be a greeter? Contact elder Kwang Seo at kseo1948@gmail.com.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

### 10:30am – On Campus

Join us in the Sanctuary.

### 10:30am – Online

Connect at [genevapres.org](http://genevapres.org),  
[Youtube \(youtube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc\)](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 and Fugue in G Major*

J. S. Bach

Dr. Herbert Geisler, organ

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship†

Barbara Frink

Congregational Hymn

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*Glory to God #1*

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7 (OT page 825)

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*

Psalter Reading: Psalm 96:1-9 (OT page 677)

Musical Offering

*The Lord Is My Shepherd*

W. S. Passmore and Henry Smart  
Holly Moore Harvey, mezzo-soprano  
Tony Gonzales, tenor; Juanita Tsu, piano

*The Lord is my shepherd, I never shall want,  
For lack of his mercies, my soul shall not pant;  
In pleasant green pastures I daily abide,  
He leads me the peaceful still waters beside.*

*My soul he restoreth, and for his name's sake,  
The path of true righteousness bids me to take;  
Yea, though I pass through death's dark valley and shade,  
I will not by evil be ever dismay'd.*

*For thou art my shepherd, and with me always,  
Thy rod and thy staff are my comfort and stay;  
My table thou spreadest in presence of foes,  
My head thou anointest, my cup overflows;*

*Thy goodness and mercy shall follow me still,  
While life's earnest duties I daily fulfill;  
Till joyous my spirit shall claim its reward,  
And dwell evermore in the house of the Lord.*

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

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

Epistle Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (NT page 247)

Anthem

*O King of Love!*

(see insert)

Lloyd Larson

Geneva Chancel Choir; Eileen O'Hern, director

O King of love, how strong and true; eternal God, yet ever new!  
Unbounded love, how deep, how great, no pow'r on earth can separate!  
In nights of pain and helplessness You heal, bring comfort, and You bless.  
In days of joy and endless love we see You in the skies above.

Redeeming love, You bore our shame; on Calv'ry's hill You took our blame.  
Amazing love! How can it be that You would die so willingly?  
O Lord, You gave Your life for us, full sacrifice upon the cross!  
You conquered death, we've been set free to live with You eternally!

(with congregation:)

**King of love beyond all measure, O love beyond compare!**  
**Lord, we lift to You our voices in this house of praise and prayer.**  
**May Your love forever flourish in this family of grace.**  
**May we run the race before us as a sacrifice of praise.**  
**King of love beyond all measure, O love beyond compare!**  
**Lord, receive our gifts of worship in this house of praise and prayer.**

(Chancel choir:)

O King of love, how strong and true; eternal God, yet ever new!  
Unbounded love, how deep, how great, no pow'r on earth can separate!  
O King of love, amazing love!  
Receive the gifts of praise we raise to You!  
Amen!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:15-22 (NT page 30)

Message: *Render Unto God What Is God's*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Opportunity to Be Generous

Generosity III

Elena Bennett

Congregational Hymn

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

*Glory to God #716*

Blessing

Postlude

*Lift High the Cross*

Charles Ore

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

October 23-29

Time Event / Location

### Monday 10/23

8am Rowdies / Ann  
10am Chair Yoga / Zoom  
3:30pm Line Dancing / SB

### Tuesday 10/24

1pm Women's Book Club / Ann

### Wednesday 10/25

10am Chair Yoga / Zoom  
6pm Youth Group / YR

### Thursday 10/26

3:30pm Line Dancing / SB  
7:30pm Chancel Choir / CR

### Friday 10/27

11am Al-Anon / Ann  
3:30pm Hallopalooza / YR  
5:30pm Trunk-or-Treat / CW

### Saturday 10/28

9am Food Drive / Stater Bros.

### Sunday 10/29

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

*Saturday, October 28, 9am-1pm @ Stater Bros.*

Genevans were at Stater Bros. across from the church yesterday and will be again next Saturday, to ask for donations for the South County Outreach Food Pantry. You don't have to go to Stater Bros. to contribute. You may also bring items to worship and put them in the Food Pantry grocery cart or drop them off at the church office during the week. Visit [genevapres.org/events](http://genevapres.org/events) to download a list of most needed items.

### GENEVA WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

*Tuesday, October 24, 1-2pm, Annex*

The book for October is *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave. Join the group at [genevapres.churchcenter.com/groups](http://genevapres.churchcenter.com/groups) to receive an email with the Zoom meeting ID if you prefer to participate online. For questions or technical assistance, contact the church office at 949-837-2323 or email us at [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org).

### HALLOPALOOZA

*Friday, October 27, 4:30pm to Saturday, October 28, 10am*

Youth 6th-12th grade are invited for a spooky night filled with food, candy, games, and an overnight sleepover at the church! The night begins by volunteering at the *Trunk-or-Treat* event on the Geneva campus. Register at [genevapres.org/events](http://genevapres.org/events) by **October 20**.

### CAKE WALK DONATIONS NEEDED

*Friday, October 27, 5:30-7pm*

Halloween-themed cupcakes, cakes, cookies or other baked goods are needed as prizes for the Trunk-or-Treat cake walk. Please bring donations to the church office **Friday, October 27** (9am-1pm) or bring the goodies with

you to the event. Questions? Contact Amy Lussier at [MrsAmy@genevacc.org](mailto:MrsAmy@genevacc.org).

### HOST A "TRUNK-STOP"

*Friday, October 27, 5:30-7:30pm*

**We need 10 more trunks!** As a *Trunk-Stop* host, you will park your car with the hatch up and hand out candy to our delightful trick-or-treaters. Decorating your vehicle is encouraged and we ask that you bring at least 100 individually wrapped pieces of candy to distribute. Each car will receive one free dinner ticket. Reserve your *Trunk-Stop* online at [genevapres.org/events](http://genevapres.org/events).

### 2024 GENEROSITY CAMPAIGN

*In-gathering Sunday is October 29*

Please prayerfully and joyfully consider how you can contribute to this year's campaign. Our goal is to increase participation from 65% to 100%! Any and all contributions are welcome. Please join us in worship **October 29 for "in-gathering Sunday"** as we collectively pledge to help ensure the continued well-being of Geneva Presbyterian Church.

### IN MEMORIAM



Geneva member **Joe DeMark** passed away Wednesday, October 4th. He and his long time partner, David, who passed away in May, joined the church in 2018. Generous and joyful, Joe was a delightful person who loved the Lord. We will miss him.



We are saddened by the passing of **Dr. Jong Sik Yoon**, Friday, October 6th. Jong and his wife, Kay, joined the church in 2020 after moving west from

Ohio. Our prayers are with his family. Memorial service information is pending.




## CONNECT

### PASTORS

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### GENEVA ONLINE

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

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### OFFICE INFORMATION

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### 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  
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### The Geneva School

Education for K-8th Grade  
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