

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 29, 2023

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

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

TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Ryan Romberg
"Making a Messiah"

TEXTS

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

Psalm 1

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Matthew 22:34-46

Thank you to today's door greeters!

Zoe Stiso, Daisy Stiso, Linda Erickson and Richard Erickson are welcoming you to worship this morning representing three generations of Genevans!

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

Chorale prelude on "A Mighty Fortress is our God" Max Reger
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

Welcome

The Rev. Ryan Romberg

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship†

Watt Prichard, elder

Congregational Hymn

God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian Glory to God #303

Old Testament Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 (OT page 132)

Pastoral Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

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 1 (OT page 625)

Musical Offering

My God, How Endless Is Thy Love music by Gordon Young
words by Isaac Watts
Hannah Prince, soprano

*My God, how endless is Thy love!
Thy gifts are ev'ry evening new;
And morning mercies from above
Gently distill like early dew.*

*Thou spread'st the curtains of the night,
Great guardian of my sleeping hours;
Thy sov'reign Word restores the light,
And quickens all my waking powers.*

*I yield my powers to Thy command,
To Thee I consecrate my days;
Perpetual blessings from Thy hand
demand perpetual songs of praise. Amen.*

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46 (NT page 30)

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

Anthem

Let There Be Light

music by Craig Courtney
words by Susan Bentall Boersma
Geneva Chancel Choir; Eileen O'Hern, director

And God said:

"Let there be light out of the darkness shining.

Let there be light" and the light was good.

Sun, moon and stars out of the darkness shining.

And the light was good.

Shine, shine, shine, out of the darkness, forever and evermore.

There came a star out of Jacob rising.

There rose a scepter out of Israel....

And the star was Jesus,

Emmanuel!

And the morning stars sang, they sang together.

And the angels shouted, they shouted for joy....

and the song was good.

Epistle Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (NT page 248)

Message: *Making a Messiah*

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Opportunity to Be Generous

In-Gathering

Congregational Hymn for In-Gathering

Take My Life

Glory to God #697

Blessing

Postlude

Foundation

early American tune; arr. Wilbur Held

WEEKLY CALENDAR

October 30-November 5

Time Event / Location

Monday 10/30

8am Rowdies / Ann

10am Chair Yoga / Zoom

3:30pm Line Dancing / SB

Tuesday 10/31

Wednesday 11/1

10am Chair Yoga / Zoom

6pm Youth Group / YR

Thursday 11/2

3:30pm Line Dancing / SB

3:30pm Deacon Board / ML

7:30pm Chancel Choir / CR

Friday 11/3

11am Al-Anon / Ann

Saturday 11/4

7:30am Men's Bible Study / ML

Sunday 11/5

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

OCTOBER TECH VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to our October "tech angels", **Noah Morehouse** and **Iliana Compos**, for serving as support for both our in-person and live stream worship service. Join the team! It's easy to learn and no experience is necessary. Email elder Kwang Seo at kseo1948@gmail.com.

2024 GENEROSITY CAMPAIGN

*In-gathering Sunday is **TODAY!***

Please prayerfully and joyfully consider how you can contribute to this year's campaign. Any and all contributions are welcome. Please bring your pledge cards to the chancel at the announced time during worship as we collectively pledge to help ensure the continued well-being of Geneva.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Sunday, November 5

Don't forget to fall back one hour!

GPW CHRISTMAS SILVER TEA

Ticket sales begin November 5

All women are invited to join this annual *Geneva Presbyterian Women* Christmas celebration **Saturday, December 2nd**, 12-2pm. Tickets sales (\$5) begin Sunday, November 5th, and may be purchased on the courtyard before or after worship, in the church office or at genevapres.org/events. Please make seating requests at time of ticket purchase. Tickets are limited and available on a first come, first served basis.

GPW NOVEMBER LUNCHEON

Wednesday, November 15, 12pm in Simpson Hall

Prior to the Silver Tea in December, Geneva Presbyterian Women will host their regular monthly luncheon. After food and fellowship, in November

attendees will be guided on an architectural tour of the church examining intentional design features meant to express and celebrate our Christian faith. Please bring a dish to share. All women are invited!

YOON MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service will be held **Friday, November 17th at 4pm** in Simpson Hall for Genevan **Dr. Jong Sik Yoon** who passed away Friday, October 6th.

FRIENDSGIVING

Saturday, November 18, 6-8pm in the Geneva Youth Room

Youth 6th-12th grade are invited for a night of gratitude and good food! We are asking students to bring a food item to share with the rest of the group for a true Thanksgiving feast. Please register at genevapres.org/events by **November 11**.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, November 19, 11:30am

A Stated Meeting of the Congregation will be held in the Sanctuary immediately following worship to elect the following:

- 1) Deacons for the Class of 2026: **Wendy McCalley, Ruth Niebuhr, and Verena Macchia,**
- 2) One Deacon unexpired term: **Christine Armendariz,** and
- 3) One unexpired Elder term for the Class of 2024: **Elena Bennett.**

Thank you to these Genevans for serving the church in these roles.

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, November 19, 11:45am in McLennan Lounge

Join Pastor Steve immediately after worship as he leads this final study, "The Problem With Evil", to explore various biblical texts that highlight the problem of evil in everyday life. A light lunch will be served and donations are suggested to cover the cost.

CONNECT

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OFFICE INFORMATION

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Office Hours: Mon. -Thurs., 9am-4pm and Fridays 9am-1pm.
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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