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# Geneva

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Loving God • Loving Others*

## ONLINE WORSHIP

Sundays, 10:30am  
(until further notice)



**February 21, 2021**

First Sunday in Lent

## CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Jesus' Message: You Are One With Everyone

## TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

*"Yes. One Race, One Blood"*

## TEXTS

Genesis 9:8-17

Psalm 25:1-10

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:9-15

**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](http://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](#) or [Facebook](#).

## Give Online @

[genevapres.churchcenter.com/giving](http://genevapres.churchcenter.com/giving)

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

*For You , O Lord , My Soul in Stillness Waits .....* Marty Haugen

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship

The Rev. Dr. Mary Carol Perrott

One: From water to wilderness:

**Many: God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.**

One: On stone and in hearts:

**Many: God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.**

One: From the ancestor of nations to the Son lifted up:

**Many: God's covenant continues; God's kingdom comes near.**

One: We follow Jesus on the Lenten path,

**Many: for where he is, we would be also.**

Musical Offering

*Graves Into Gardens .....* Lake / Brown / Furtick / Hammer

Psalter Reading: Psalm 25:1-10

Prayer of Confession

Passing of the Blessing

Epistle Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Musical Offering

*Deep River .....* African-American Spiritual  
arr. Howard Helvey

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:9-15

Prayer of Illumination

Message

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

An Opportunity to Be Generous

Congregational Hymn

*Come! Live in the Light! .....* words and music by David Haas

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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:info@genevapres.org) or call the church office. Learn more at [genevapres.org/zoomactivities](http://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](mailto:caring@genevapres.org). All requests are confidential. Learn more at [genevapres.org/stephenministry](http://genevapres.org/stephenministry).

### PRAYER

Email us your prayer request at [prayer@genevapres.org](mailto: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

February 23, 1-2pm

This group meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. For this meeting, the group will be discussing *The School of Essential Ingredients* by Erica Bauermeister. The book for March is *The Commoner* by John Burnham Schwartz. 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 trouble, email Daria Clement at [dariajoc@yahoo.com](mailto:dariajoc@yahoo.com).

### PRAYER LIST

[Click here to request prayer.](#)

Paul Arndt	Jack Garrison
Pat Chapman	Hank Green
Beth Coombs	Harriett and Bink Lewis
Norm Coombs	Joyce Walker
Mary Enser	

**Church Prayer:** Gracious, powerful, loving and "with us" God, thank you that there is one race. There is neither yellow, black or brown, 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.

## NEW MEMBER CLASS

Saturday, March 13

10-11:30am

Join Pastor Steve and Geneva elders for this class designed for those who are ready for membership or want to learn what it means to become a Geneva member. Discussion topics include: *Why join the church?*, *What are the benefits of belonging?* and *How do I find my fit?* The class meets via Zoom, so please [register here](#) to receive a confirmation email with all the information you need to participate. Call the church office at 949-837-2323 if technical help is needed.

## CHAIR YOGA

Tuesdays & Thursdays

11-11:30am

Relax, strengthen and stretch with instructor Elizabeth Logue as she leads you and other participants through a series of low impact exercises via Zoom. No experience necessary! [Join the group here](#) to receive an email with the Zoom meeting ID. If you need technical assistance, email us during church office hours at [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org) or call the church office at 949-837-2323.



## WORSHIPPING

### CURRENT SERMON SERIES

February 14 - March 28

This week Pastor Steve continues the series, *Jesus' Message: You Are One With Everyone*. The John M. Perkins book, *One Blood: Parting Words to the Church on Race and Love* 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 or send an email request to [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org).

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## SERVING

### DRIVE & DROP FOOD

#### DRIVE **THIS WEEK!**

Thursday, February 25

7:30-11:30am

The South County Outreach Food Pantry is in critical need of food to replenish their shelves. On your next grocery run, please consider purchasing a few items from this [Shopping List](#), then come to the Geneva parking lot Thursday, February 25 from 7:30am-11:30am and drop them off. Just pop the trunk and a volunteer will take your donations. Masks will be worn and social distancing practiced. Please use the El Toro Road entrance (follow the signs).

#### Volunteers Needed!

The last food drive we did was very successful, so we need some helping hands to ensure this one goes just as smoothly. Please consider volunteering. [Click here to learn more and sign up.](#)

Thank you in advance for your donations and servant hearts. Food drives such as this go a long way toward helping our neighbors get the assistance they need.



## LEARNING

### PC(USA) LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

*The Way to Shalom: A Lenten Journey to Peace and Wholeness* provides forty daily devotions inviting you to reflect upon the gift of *shalom*, the Hebrew word for peace, what it can mean in your daily life and how you can bring it to the world. *The Way to Shalom* is [online here and free for download](#) or printing. We hope you will make it your spiritual companion this Lent. The first day of the devotional series is Ash Wednesday, February 17.

### LENTEN PASTOR STUDY

March 3, 10, 17, 24

6:30-7:30pm

Join Pastor Steve for his Lenten Pastor Study by Zoom. The theme is *Experiencing Community During Isolating Times: A Study in the New Testament Book of Ephesians*. During the four weeks he will cover all six chapters of the book of Ephesians, exploring the importance of recovering "community" in the midst of "isolating" times. Learn more and [register now for this important study.](#)



## GIVING

### PC(USA) SPECIAL OFFERING

*One Great Hour of Sharing*

February 17-April 4

The three programs supported by *One Great Hour of Sharing* - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. [Give online here](#) and choose "PCUSA One Great Hour of Sharing" in the dropdown menu or use the special envelope found with your offering envelopes.

### Deacon's Fund Offering

Geneva deacons use this discretionary money to help Geneva members and friends with emergency financial needs. To help replenish this fund, visit [genevapres.org/give](http://genevapres.org/give) to donate online, choosing *Deacon's Fund* in the dropdown menu. You may also write *Deacon's Fund* in the memo line of your check and drop it in the library mail slot at the church office. Thank you!

## GENEVA ONLINE

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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](http://genevacc.org) or call Interim Director Amy Lussier at 949-581-2200 to schedule a visit.

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