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# Geneva

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Loving God • Loving Others*

## ONLINE WORSHIP

Sundays, 10:30am  
(until further notice)



**January 3, 2021**

*The Second Sunday of Christmas*

## CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Jesus' Message: You Are Family

## TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

*"You Can Share God's Love With The World"*

## TEXTS

Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:13-14;  
John 1:1-18

**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)

Click *Coronavirus Resources* on the home page to connect and receive assistance during the pandemic.

## 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

*Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* .....Emma Lou Diemer

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship

Penny Prol, Elder

One: Sing praise to God, who gathers us here; from the ends of the earth we come. With a word of promise, a spring of water, a loaf of bread, and a cup of wine, God turns our mourning into dancing, our sorrow into joy.

Musical Offering

*God Of This City*.....Bleakley et al

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 147:12-20

Prayer of Confession

Passing of the Blessing

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 1:13-14

Musical Offering

*I Wonder as I Wander* ..... John Jacob Niles  
arr. Corneliu Radulescu

Gospel Reading: John 1:1-18

Prayer of Illumination

Message

An Opportunity to Be Generous

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Drive-In Las Posadas Event a success!



## PRAYER LIST

[Click here to request prayer.](#)

Paul Arndt	Harriett & Bink Lewis
Beth Coombs	Mark Matthews
Norm Coombs	Lou Mayers
Mary Enser	Kurt Messerschmidt
Esther Karlson	Mary Carol Perrott
Hank Green	Colleen Sullivan

**Our Church Prayer:** Almighty God continue to mold me into a strong presence of Jesus in words and deeds. Thank you for calling me beloved. I am not what I do or what others say about me. I am defined by my identity in Jesus. May others see Jesus in me. In the name of Jesus I pray, Amen.



## WORSHIPPING

### VILLAGE TV REBROADCAST TIME CHANGE

During the pandemic, many people living in Laguna Woods Village have enjoyed watching a rebroadcast of our Sunday online worship service every Saturday at 11am on Village TV Channels 6, 6.1 or 406. We are pleased to report that what we thought was going to be a temporary opportunity is now going to be a permanent offering with a new day and time. **Beginning January 3, the rebroadcast will air every Sunday at 10:30am.** As with the Saturday rebroadcast, we will be airing the previous week's service.

### UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

*January 10 - February 7*

The T.D. Jakes book *Crushing: God Turns Pressure into Power* is the resource for Pastor Steve's upcoming series, *Jesus' Message: You Are Shaped By Suffering*. Books are available for \$10. Call the church office at 949-837-2323 or email us at [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org) for a copy.



## ADMINISTRATION

### MRS. SHERRY (SHERRY HOSELTON) RETIRES



Perhaps you knew, but maybe not, that the Geneva Children's Center (GCC) was

founded in March 2013.

Almost eight years later we want to inform you that its founding director, Mrs. Sherry (Sherry Hoselton) has retired.

Mrs. Amy (Amy Lussier) has been appointed as the Acting Director. A search for the Permanent Director has begun.

Sherry was a stickler about ensuring that the GCC adhered to licensing standards and requirements. For that we are grateful. In fact, in Sherry's entire forty-plus years administrating preschools she has never had a violation.

Sherry will be given the title "Founding Director Emeritus of the Geneva Children's Center (GCC)" and have a non-voting seat on the Board. Sherry's effective retirement date is Friday, January 1.

## VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

*Sunday, January 10,  
11:30am*

At the Annual Meeting, Geneva members vote to receive the upcoming year's budget, as presented by the Finance Committee, and the Terms of Call for our pastors. This year's

meeting will be held virtually via Zoom. Please register here now through January 9 to receive an email with the Zoom meeting ID. Note that there will be no Zoom adult classes held on this day to allow for more participation.

Per our bylaws, to establish a quorum for the Annual Meeting we need a minimum of 10% participation. Thank you in advance for making the effort to do so. Questions? Call the church office at 949-837-2323 or email us at [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org).



## GIVING

### Happy New Year from the Geneva Business Office!

In quarters past you may have received your contribution statement via email. While you will also receive your 2020 year end contribution statement for tax purposes via email, each statement will also be mailed in order to ensure that you have proper documentation for your tax preparation needs.

Since all contributions with a postmark of December 31<sup>st</sup> are allowed to be included on the 2020 giving statement, please allow us until the week of January 18<sup>th</sup> to process all of the statements. They will be both emailed and mailed that same week.

Please review your statement upon receipt and contact Gary Pado if you have any discrepancies. Gary can be reached at 9489-837-2323 x203 or via email at [gpado@gevenvapres.org](mailto:gpado@gevenvapres.org). We look forward to an exciting 2021 year with our church family!

## 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 Acting Director Amy Lussier to schedule a visit at

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