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**October 25-
November 1**

CALENDAR

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP — 10:30 AM

October 25, 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Darren Pollock
Jonah: Running from God

TEXTS

Jonah 1:1-17
Romans 8:31-39

FILMING & CONSENT NOTICE

Welcome! We're glad you're here.

Please be advised that today's worship service is being recorded and livestreamed to our online platforms. By entering this space, you consent to the use of your image, voice, and likeness in the livestream and any future recordings, broadcasts, or promotional materials.

If you prefer not to appear on camera, please ask an usher to direct you to a designated camera-free zone, toward the back of the sanctuary.

Thank you for being part of our community and helping us share the message beyond these walls.



Geneva's Vision

We seek to share God's love with people whoever and wherever they are.

Geneva's Mission

All are welcome here! Just as God receives all who believe in Jesus Christ, Geneva aspires to be an inclusive congregation worshipping, learning, connecting, giving, and serving together.

Current Sermon Series

THE MINOR PROPHETS

* View past services online at genevapres.org or connect directly at [YouTube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv3v3v3v3v3v3v3v3v3v3v3)

TODAY'S GREETERS

Carol Boeryd and Bill Sutfin are welcoming you to worship today, representing Geneva's Session, or board of elders. Elders are ordained once for all future service; each term is 3 years.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

I'm Just a Poor, Wayfaring Stranger

Donald Hustad
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Darren Pollock

Life at Geneva

Call to Worship†

Ethan Morehouse

Congregational Hymn

I Surrender All (v. 1, 3, 4)

Please see insert.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Moment for Connecting

Glory to God #301 (v. 5)

Children up to 5th grade are escorted to classrooms.

Old Testament Reading: Jonah 1:1-17 (OT p1053)

Musical Offering

Here I Am, Lord

Daniel L. Schutte; arr. Craig Courtney

Holly Moore Harvey, mezzo-soprano; Tony Gonzales, violin

Juanita Tsu, piano

*I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry,
all who dwell in darkest sin My hand will save.*

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord?

I have heard You calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born My people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak My word to them, whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord?...

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord?...

† The Call to Worship is adapted from Jonah 2.

Epistle Reading: Romans 8:31-39 (NT p192)

Anthem

The Whisper

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

*In the desert, in the wilderness of life,
I am searching for the One who searches me.*

*As I wander, hungry, thirsty, lost, alone,
I hear God's call; I hear the whisper of my name.*

*"Come to the table. Your name is written on My hand.
Come to the table. Your name is hidden in My heart.
Come to the table, come to the table and live."*

*At the table, He prepares for me a place.
He redeems me, I am pardoned by His grace.
He restores me with His rich and lavish love.
In His call, I hear the whisper of my name.*

*"Come to the table. Your name is written on My hand.
Come to the table. Your name is hidden in My heart.
Come to the table, come to the table and live."*

In His call, I hear the whisper of my name.

Congregational Hymn

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

Glory to God #432

Message: *Jonah: Running from God*

Congregational Hymn

The Love of God

Please see insert.

Gathering of Pledges

Come, All Christians, Be Committed (v. 1, 2)

Please see screen.

Pastoral Prayer

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Glory to God #606

Blessing

Postlude

Minuet on "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Donald Hustad

Sunday CLASSES

KIDS DROP-OFF & PICK-UP (infant through 5th grade)

9-10am

Room 4

10:30-11:30am

Infant- 5th grade:

Drop-off: In Sanctuary

Pick up: Room 4

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.

ADULTS

The Network

9am in McLennan Lounge

Discussions are led by Session-
approved leaders from within
the class. Topics of study
include the Gospels, general
theology, and the *Feasting on
the Word* curriculum.

** Geneva Youth (6th-12th grade)

also meets Tuesdays,
6-8pm

Room 29 (Youth Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERSHIP EXPLORATION

Ending **TODAY**

This series of classes is for those who have been attending for a while and are interested in considering membership. After worship.

GENEVA BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, October 27, 1-2pm, Annex

This month's book is *Lady Clementine* by Marie Benedict. All are welcome to participate—just show up in the Annex or join via Zoom (call the church office for the link).

NICENE CREED CLASS

Thursdays, October 29-November 19

This series of classes in McLennan Lounge takes place at 12-1pm on four Thursdays and explores the history and meaning of this, the most ecumenical of Christian confessions of faith. Registration is appreciated but not required.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 1

Your clock may reset on its own next week; if not, make sure to turn it back one hour or you'll get to church early!

MEET & GREET LUNCH

Sunday, November 1, 11:45am, McLennan Lounge

Visitors and guests are invited to join Pastor Darren for lunch directly after worship to chat, ask questions and discover how we can help you connect with the church. Register at genevapres.org/events or just show up. We'd love to have you there.

ALL SAINTS' DAY CONCERT

Sunday, November 1, 4pm

Once again Geneva's Music Ministry — along with choirs from St. George's Episcopal Church and Irvine Taiwanese Presbyterian Church — will present a concert service on All

Saints' Day, November 1, at 4pm in our sanctuary. The event will feature anthems, solos, instrumental music, poetry, prayers, and a homily by Pastor Darren. There will also be a time for remembering loved ones who have passed.

SUCCESSFUL AGING IN PLACE RESOURCE FAIR

Saturday, November 7, 11am-3pm

This community event presented by Concerned Citizens of Laguna Woods Village will take place on Geneva's campus next month. Look for flyers!

GIVING AND SHARING

GENEROSITY CAMPAIGN 2027 INGATHERING **TODAY**

Today we respond to God's call by bringing our financial pledges for the coming year. Pledge cards are available in the pews or from the ushers if you did not bring yours. Your pledge can also be made online or mailed to the church office. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness.

FOOD DRIVE FOR SCO

Thank you for your generosity during our Food Drive for South County Outreach! Look for updates and totals in the weekly eNews.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES THE ROWDIES CAN USE YOU!!

If you're handy or have good common sense; if you're an encourager and can tell a hammer from a pair of pliers, the Rowdies are ready to welcome you! Rowdies are a unique small group at Geneva that meets Monday mornings 8am-noon. They spend their time breaking bread, opening the Bible, building friendships, and making small (and not-so-small) repairs on our campus. And they can use your help! Consider becoming part of this very friendly and generous group. Contact Dave Lammert: info@genevapres.org.

GENERAL INFO

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Mon.-Thurs., 9am-4pm and
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Geneva Children's Center

Preschool for children age 2-6
Amy Lussier, Director
949-581-2200 / genevacc.org

Irvine Taiwanese Presbyterian Church

Worship Sundays at 10am in the chapel.
irvinetpc.org



PRAYER LIST

Noemi Campbell
Beth Coombs
Norm Coombs
family of Ashlynn Morehouse
Hank Gioia
Grace Sams
Jennifer Strickland
Thora Sutfin
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