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**February 22-  
March 1**

# CALENDAR

For a complete listing of regular activities and upcoming events, visit [genevapres.churchcenter.com/calendar](http://genevapres.churchcenter.com/calendar), or go to our website at [genevapres.org](http://genevapres.org) and click Calendar at the top of the homepage.

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**Geneva**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*Loving God • Loving Others • Making Disciples*

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP — 10:30 AM

**February 22, 2026**

First Sunday in Lent

## TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Darren Pollock  
*The Kingdom of Heaven:  
How Long, O Lord?*

## TEXTS

Psalm 94:1-15  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

## 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.



Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 (NT p17)

Anthem

*For Everyone Born*

B. Mann; arr. T. Trenney; words by S. E. Murray  
Geneva Chancel Choir; Karen Linkletter, cello  
Eileen O'Hern, director

*For everyone born, a place at the table,  
for everyone born, clean water and bread,  
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
for everyone born, a star overhead,  
and God will delight when we are creators  
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators  
of justice, justice and joy!*

*For woman and man, a place at the table,  
revising the roles, deciding the share,  
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,  
for woman and man, a system that's fair,  
and God will delight....*

*For young and for old, a place at the table,  
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,  
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,  
for young and for old, the right to belong,  
and God will delight....*

*For everyone born, a place at the table,  
to live without fear, and simply to be,  
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
for everyone born, the right to be free,  
and God will delight....*

Congregational Hymn

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

*Glory to God #307*

Message: *The Kingdom of Heaven: How Long, O Lord?*

Congregational Hymn

*This Is My Father's World*

*Glory to God #370*

Pastoral Prayer

Opportunity to Be Generous

Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Glory to God #606*

Blessing

Postlude

*La Cinquantaine*

Gabriel Marie  
Karen Linkletter, cello

## Sunday CLASSES

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

**9-10am**

Room 2

**10:30-11:30am**

**Nursery:** Room 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.

### 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

### GENEVA BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, February 24, 1-2pm in the Annex

This month's book is *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*, by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer. All are welcome to participate—just show up in the Annex or join via Zoom (call the church office for the link).

### PASTOR MEETUPS

Pastor Darren has scheduled several "meetups" as a way to get to know each of us! The following events are coming up:

Feb 26 11am (pastries),  
March 3 5:30pm (In-N-Out)

...with more to come. Space is limited and registration is required. Please select only *one event* to attend, and register through the churchcenter app, click through the eNews, or call the church office for assistance.

### IN MEMORIAM

Saturday, March 7, 1pm

A memorial service will be held to celebrate the life of **The Rev. Dr. Mary Carol Perrott** on Saturday, March 7, 1pm in the Chapel. Mary Carol was a part of our congregation for more than 10 years until her passing January 13.



### NAME BADGES

If you have a name badge, please wear it every time you're on campus. If you don't have one, pick up an order form from the church office or Welcome Center.

### IN MEMORIAM

Pat Gardner

Longtime Geneva Member Pat Gardner went to be with the Lord on

January 22nd. Pat and her husband Chuck joined Geneva in 2003. Pat served on the Board of Deacons for two terms and was very active at Geneva until she moved north to be closer to family in 2024.



### GIVING AND SHARING DEACON'S FUND

Your donation to this fund goes toward helping Geneva members and friends with emergency financial needs. Donate online using the dropdown menu on the "Donate" page at [genevapres.org](http://genevapres.org), or send a check made out to Geneva with "Deacon's Fund" in the memo line, or simply use a pew envelope marked "Deacon's Fund". Thank you for your support!

### ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

through March 29

One of three special offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A), One Great Hour of Sharing is a way for Presbyterians worldwide to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the globe by providing relief from disaster, hunger, poverty, climate change, and assisting immigration/migration and refugees, providing people with safety, sustenance and hope. We will prepare for the OGHS offering during Lent and collect it on Palm Sunday.

### RALPHS GROCERY DONATES...

a percentage of your purchase to Geneva when you link your Ralphs card to their Community Contribution Program. Go to <https://go.genevapres.org/ralphs-give> and follow the instructions to link your card. You will need to search for Geneva Presbyterian Church of Laguna Woods in order to complete sign-up.

### GENERAL INFO

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#### Office Hours:

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

**24-Hour Emergency Line:**  
949-837-2323

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**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 Sundays at 10am in the chapel.  
[irvinetpc.org](http://irvinetpc.org)

**The Geneva School**  
Education for K-8th Grade  
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