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## March 8-15 CALENDAR

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# IN COMMUNITY WITH



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

## SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP — 10:30 AM

**March 8, 2026**

Third Sunday in Lent

### TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Darren Pollock  
*Spring Forward*

### TEXTS

Matthew 7:7-11, 24-27  
Exodus 14:10-18

### 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.

# VISION ~ MISSION

## 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 KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

\* View past services online at [genevapres.org](http://genevapres.org) or connect directly at [YouTube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc](http://YouTube.com/genevapresbyterianchurchoc)

## TODAY'S GREETERS

**Claudia Christensen** and **Nancy Stapleton** are welcoming you to worship today, representing Geneva Presbyterian Women. Join us the third Wednesday of the month at noon in Simpson Hall.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

*Meditation, Op. 5, No. 4*

Maurice Duruflé  
Charlotte Hsieh, organ

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Darren Pollock

Life at Geneva

Winter Camp Reflections

Geneva Youth

Call to Worship

Dr. Jack Clement, elder

Congregational Hymn

*Let All Things Now Living*

*Glory to God #37*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Moment for Connecting

Children up to 5th grade are escorted to classrooms.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 7:7-11, 24-27 (NT p8)

Musical Offering

*His Eye Is on the Sparrow*

music by C. H. Gabriel; arr. Elijah F. Hill  
words by Civilla D. Martin  
Eva Jackson, soprano

*Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come?*

*Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heav'n and home?*

*When Jesus is my portion, my constant friend is He.*

*His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.*

*His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.*

*I sing because I'm happy! I sing because I'm free!*

*For His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me.*

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 14:10-18 (OT p75)

Anthem

*Wade in the Water*

traditional spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes  
Geneva Chancel Choir; Eileen O'Hern, director  
Holly Moore Harvey, Stephen Oey, Eva Jackson, Tony Gonzales

*Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,  
Wade in the water, God's gonna trouble the water.*

† The *Call to Worship* is adapted from Psalm 78.

*Down in the valley, down on my knees. (wade in the water)*

*Askin' my Lord to save me please. (wade in the water)*

*Wade in the water....*

*Up on the mountain, Jehovah, he spoke, (wade in the water)*

*Out of his mouth came fire and smoke, (wade in the water)*

*I heard a rumblin' up in the sky, (wade in the water)*

*Must-a been Jesus passin' by, (wade in the water)*

*Wade in the water....*

Congregational Hymn

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

*Glory to God #65*

Message: *Spring Forward*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Congregational Hymn

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (v1-3)*

*Glory to God #353*

Pastoral Prayer

Opportunity to Be Generous

Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Glory to God #606*

Blessing

Postlude

*But the Lord Is Mindful of His Own* from *St. Paul*

Felix Mendelssohn  
arr. Frank W. Asper

## 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

## PASTOR MEETUPS

Get to know Pastor Darren as he gets to know each of us! The following small group events are coming up:

March 10 5:30pm (In-N-Out)

March 12 12pm (baguette sandwich bar)

March 19 10:30am (crêpes!)

...with more to come. Space is limited and registration is required. Check for the latest sessions and availability:

[go.genevapres.org/meetup](http://go.genevapres.org/meetup) and select only *one event* to attend, or call the church office for assistance.

## GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

*Wednesday, March 18, 12-2pm*

Our program for March features our recent Transitional Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Steele, who will share her liturgical stoles and the stories behind them. Please join us, and bring a friend, and a salad or sandwiches to share for the lunch!

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

*Sunday, March 22, 11:40am*

The annual meeting of the congregation will take place immediately following worship on Sunday, March 22, in Simpson Hall. We will receive the 2026 budget and hear ministry reports from elders and team leaders. Lunch will be served.

## GENEVA BOOK GROUP

*4th Tuesday, 1pm in the Annex*

Our March book is *Teatime for the Firefly*, by Shona Patel. Pick up a copy and get reading, and we'll see you on March 24!

## THANKS, TECH VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you to Linda Erickson and Liz Njoroge, assisting our AV team for the month of March!

## GIVING AND SHARING

### PROJECT LOVE

*Sundays, 3:30pm*

If you would like to get involved with this missional effort to provide meals for homeless and needy in our local communities, you can contribute time, food, and/or dollars. Please contact Ryan Harvey at [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org).

### 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.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteer Sunday school teachers are needed for 9am and 10:30am sessions. If you're able to help make a difference for children and for Geneva in this way, or to request further information, please contact elder Barb Lorenzen: [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org), or call the office.

### TECH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Tech volunteers assist our AV team with projection for in-person and online worship. Join the team! Contact Kwang Seo: [info@genevapres.org](mailto:info@genevapres.org), or call the church office.

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### Office Hours:

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

### 24-Hour Emergency Line:

949-837-2323

## CAMPUS PARTNERS

### 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  
Gina Freda, Head of School  
[genevaschooloc.org](http://genevaschooloc.org)  
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## PRAYER LIST

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