

IN COMMUNITY WITH



Geneva

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Loving God • Loving Others

ON CAMPUS WORSHIP

Sundays, 9am in the
Sanctuary (beginning
May 9th)

ONLINE WORSHIP

Sundays, 10:30am



April 2, 2021

Good Friday

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Jesus' Message: You Are One With Everyone

TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

"Yes. The Greatest Virtue Is Love."

TEXTS

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Psalm 22:1-14

Hebrews 10:16-25

John 19:16-30

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.

Regular Online Activities



SUNDAY CONNECTION

9am – Jesus & Jammies

Join Mr. Glen and company for live streaming of the Geneva Kids large group story.

9am – On Campus Worship in Sanctuary (begins May 9th)

Geneva reopens for in person worship. Registration required. Details at genevapres.org/reopen.

10:30am – Live Stream Worship

Connect at genevapres.org. Call the church at 949-837-2323 during office hours for assistance.

11:30am – Exploring the Bible Together

Delve deeper into the Bible and fellowship together during this Zoom discussion.

11:30am – The Network

The Network will not meet Easter Sunday! Regular class will resume Sunday, April 11.

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.

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 or call the church office. Learn more at 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. All requests are confidential. Learn more at genevapres.org/stephenministry.

PRAYER

Email us your prayer request at 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

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Connect

Visit us on the web 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.

Get the App!

Connect to live stream worship, register for events, join a group, donate, check out the church calendar and more! Download the Church Center App: <https://churchcenter.com/app>.



Give Online @

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

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Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Steven M. Marsh

Call to Worship

One: We enter into a holy place through the new and living way Jesus Christ has opened for us. We come as a holy people — born of the grace of Jesus Christ, delivered through his blood.

Old Testament Reading:

The Rev. Ryan Romberg

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Psalter Reading: Psalm 22:1-14

Musical Offering

God My Father, Why Hast Thou Forsaken Me? from "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Theodore Dubois

Prayer of Confession

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 10:16-25

Gospel Reading: John 19:16-30

Prayer of Illumination

Message

Musical Offering

Were You There African American spiritual

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Benediction



WORSHIPPING

ON CAMPUS WORSHIP RESUMES

Sunday, May 9, 9am

We are thrilled to announce the return of in-person worship **in the Sanctuary** beginning Sunday, May 9th. It is important to understand that we will reopen adhering to the state and county guidelines as outlined by the *California Blueprint for a Safer Economy*. This means social distancing, face coverings, registration and other protocols as well as a lot of cleaning! So, although it is praiseworthy that we have the opportunity to be together again, we are still not "back to normal". Thank you in advance for your understanding, patience and cooperation as we move forward together.

To learn more details and register to attend, visit genevapres.org/reopen. Don't forget to click on the FAQ button for answers to anticipated questions and to perhaps submit a few of your own. If it is something new, we want to add it to our list so that others may benefit from the answers. We look forward to seeing you on the 9th.

ONLINE WORSHIP CONTINUES

Sundays, 10:30AM

Even though we will be resuming on campus worship in May at 9am, we will also continue to offer a live stream service at 10:30am for those who either prefer online worship or are not yet ready to return to in-person worship. Continuing the online service also allows us to continue to offer worship to the Laguna Woods community through Village TV Channel 6. We are extremely grateful to our wonderful staff and volunteers for making this possible.

MEMBER SURVEY RECAP

Thank you to those who completed our recent survey. Apparent from your responses was that many of you are ready to return to on campus worship, even with restrictions. It was also clear that the accessibility and convenience of online worship is valuable for quite a few of you, especially for those with limited mobility and folks who travel often. This feedback factored into our decision to continue to offer online worship as we navigate our "new normal". Again, thank you for your participation and honesty.

JOIN US FOR EASTER!

April 4, 10:30am

HE IS RISEN! Join us for live stream worship as we celebrate the day Jesus rose from the dead, accomplishing forgiveness, rebirth and God's saving power for humanity. Connect to via [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#) or at genevapres.org.

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

April 4 - May 16

On Easter Sunday, Pastor Steve will begin the new sermon series *Jesus' Message: You Are The Conduit*. The Latasha Morrison book, *Be The Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation* 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, [order online here](#) or send an email request to info@genevapres.org.

VILLAGE TV REBROADCAST

Sundays, 10:30am

Laguna Woods Village residents may view the previous week's worship service on Laguna Woods Village TV (Channels 6, 6.1 or 406) Sundays at 10:30am.



ADMINISTRATION

O'NEILL/BOYER SCHOLARSHIPS

Geneva offers scholarships for student members and relatives of Geneva members pursuing a two-year, four-year, graduate degree or enrolled in a technical college/trade school. To learn more and apply, visit genevapres.org/scholarship. Applications will be accepted now through **April 30** (no applications will be accepted after this date). Please note that an academic transcript is also required. Email us at info@genevapres.org with any questions.



GCC WELCOMES NEW DIRECTOR

The Geneva Children's Center Search Team is pleased to announce the appointment of Amy Lussier as the new Director of the GCC. As Interim Director, Amy, one of our experienced teachers, did a great job performing double duties while the Search Team looked for a replacement for recently retired founding director, Sherry Hoselton. After a thorough search it was evident that Amy was clearly the most qualified candidate to lead the GCC. We welcome Amy to her new role!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING RECAP

Thank you for participating in last month's virtual Congregational Meeting. Help us welcome the following Genevans voted in to their new positions:

Elder Class of 2022: Elizabeth Carlisle; *Class of 2023:* Elena Bennett; *Class of 2024:* Linda Erickson, David Horne, Tom Jenkins and Watt Prichard; *Nominating Committee 2021-22:* Callie Burt, Mary Gonzales, Jason MacAllister, Howard Prol, Penny Prol and Mark Reed



LEARNING

BEING A BRIDGE TRAINING COURSE

April 19, 26 & May 3, 10
6:30-8pm

This free, four-week course teaches practical, everyday ways to be the best Jesus someone sees, and has worked for homemakers and business folk, for old and young, for any ethnic background and cultural context. Using the *Bridges* training – based upon the type of training overseas missionaries receive – you will learn that anyone can effectively and lovingly share the love of Jesus with others.

The training will be done via Zoom. To participate, [register here](#) to receive meeting details and a Zoom invitation. For questions or technical assistance, call the church office at 949-837-2323 or email us at info@genevapres.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

VBS is June 28 - July 2
9am-12:30pm

We know summer planning begins early when you have kids. We hope your calendar includes this year's Vacation Bible School. More info on the way!

PRAYER LIST

[Click here to request prayer.](#)

Paul Arndt	Jack Garrison
Pat Chapman	Mary Geib
Beth Coombs	Hank Green
Norm Coombs	The Horne Family
Mary Enser	Harriet and Bink Lewis

Church Prayer: Reconciling God, You are the bridge builder, showing the way for all humans to reconcile with one another as equal members in Your family. Create in our hearts a burden for "the other" with whom we may harbor resentment and misunderstanding. Bring others to join our church family from whom we can learn, with whom we can worship, thus together, becoming an even more dynamic missional intergenerational presence in our community. Amen.

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 or call Director Amy Lussier at 949-581-2200 to schedule a visit.

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