

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN GENEVA

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Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, The Presbyterian Church in Geneva welcomes all people into the life of the church regardless of sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, race, ethnicity, physical or mental ability, educational background, economic situation, or religious background.

The Reverend Colin Pritchard, *Pastor*

The Reverend W. James Gerling, *Pastor Emeritus*

Richard Cox, *Director of Music, Adult Choir & Bells*

Linda Cox, *Organist*

The flowers in the chancel today are given in loving memory of Dr. George Whitney, on the occasion of his birthday, by Jim Whitney.

October 24, 2021

Welcome

Prelude “Variations on *‘My God, How Wonderful Thou Art’*” Stephen Gabrielsen

***Call to Worship** (by Tricia Ziegler) 8:15 Virginia Champlin
10:30 Henry Augustine

One: Come take off your shoes

Many: For where we stand is holy ground.

One: Come love your neighbor and do good to all around you

Many: For where we stand is holy ground.

One: Come and respect the planet

Many: For where we stand is holy ground.

*All: Love all that God gave us,
for we are all standing on holy ground*

***Opening Hymn** “When Israel Was in Egypt’s Land” #52

Children’s Time

Time of Confession In the end...the silence

Assurance of Pardon Joining the Chorus

Prayer for Illumination 8:15 Virginia Champlin
10:30 Steve Cottrell

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Lessons Exodus 1: 1-14; 3: 1-15

Message Go Down Moses

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for those who are enslaved by the powers of the world...

Let us pray for the courage to reform systems of injustice...

Let us pray for an overwhelming love that compels your church into fellowship and service...

(unison)

**God, You’ve shown us what is good:
to act justly and to do what is fair to others.**

You’ve sent Your Son to provide peace

and the bond of true fellowship.

Open our eyes to the needs of all your children in this world.

Lead us out of our comfort zones
so we can bless and build bonds
with people who are different from us.

Lead us in respectful service toward one another, and support all who are
vulnerable in places of injustice.

May we be instruments in Your hands spreading goodness, justice, and love.

(Adapted from a prayer by Carrie Marrs)

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Time of Offering

Acolyte Installation (10:30)

*Adam Garretson, Linnea Magee,
Kellan McLaughlin, Paige Osborne, Hope Robertson*

Sacrament of Baptism (10:30)

John Francis Conway V

***Closing Hymn**

"God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

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Benediction

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart. May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace. May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain to joy. And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done. Amen.

†Postlude

"Allegro in A Minor"

A. Hoffmann

*congregation standing (all who are able)

† If you need to leave at this time, please exit quietly through the back.

Childcare is available in the nursery for children up to three years old for those attending the 10:30 service.

Rocking chairs are available in the back of the sanctuary for anyone who might benefit from alternative seating. Caretakers with young children and those who are less comfortable in pew seating are welcome to use these chairs.



This week at The Presbyterian Church in Geneva

*Today: Worship service in sanctuary, 8:15
 Youth pumpkin carving in fellowship hall, 9:00
 Adult Education class in south parlor, 9:15
 Sunday School, upstairs classrooms, 9:30
 Worship service in sanctuary, 10:30
 Acolyte installation and baptism during 10:30 worship service*

*Monday, 10/25 Bell Choir rehearsal, 4:00
 Mission Committee meeting, 7:00*

*Tuesday, 10/26 Bible study with Pastor Colin (via Zoom), 6:00
 Sacred Arts class (Tai Chi) in fellowship hall, 7:00
 SERRV Committee meeting, 7:00*

*Wednesday, 10/27 Self-Help Sewing class in fellowship hall, 9:00
 Sacred Arts class (scrap-booking) in Sacred Arts Room, 6:00*

Thursday, 10/28

Friday, 10/29

Saturday, 10/30

*Sunday, 10/31 Worship service in sanctuary, 8:15
 Adult Education class in south parlor, 9:15
 Sunday School, upstairs classrooms, 9:30
 Worship service in sanctuary, 10:30
 All Saints' Day recognition during 10:30 worship service*