

# 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  
Joan C. Dickson by Jim, Alison, and Andrew Dickson.*

October 31, 2021



## Prayer for Illumination

8:15 Cathy Thurston  
10:30 Ruth Benedict

*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 20: 1-17  
Hebrews 10: 1, 11-12, 14-18

## Message

Freedom Rules

### Prayers of the People

You shall have no other gods before me.

Lord, help us to love you  
with all our heart, all our soul,  
all our mind, and all our strength.  
Help us choose to be free.

You shall not make for yourself an idol.

Lord, help us to worship you  
in spirit and in truth.  
Help us choose to be free.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Lord, help us to honor you  
with reverence and awe.  
Help us choose to be free.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Lord, help us to remember Christ risen from the dead,  
and to set our minds on things above,  
not on things on the earth.  
Help us choose to be free.

Honor your father and your mother.

Lord, help us to live as your servants,  
giving respect to all,  
and love to our brothers and sisters in Christ.  
Help us choose to be free.

You shall not murder.

Lord, help us to be reconciled with each other,  
and to overcome evil with good.  
Help us choose to be free.

You shall not commit adultery.  
Lord, help us to realize  
that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit.  
Help us choose to be free.

You shall not steal.  
Let us be honest in all we do,  
and to care for those in need.  
Help us choose to be free.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.  
Lord, may we be a people of truth.  
Help us choose to be free.

You shall not covet.  
Lord, help us to remember Jesus said,  
'It is more blessed to give than to receive',  
may we love our neighbors as ourselves;  
for his sake.  
Help us choose to be free.

(Adapted from The Church of Scotland worship resources.)

#### 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.

Moment for Mission

8:15 Jennifer Morris  
10:30 Walt Gage

Time of Offering

Candle Lighting Ritual (10:30)



Reading from John Donne

*As the names are read, family members are invited to come forward  
and light a candle in memory of their loved one.*

Robert (Lynn) Ansley	Dorothy (Dot) Archer	Willard (Bill) Best
Dennis L. Bishop	Carlton Kearns Brownell, Jr.	Nan DeMuth
Raymond E. Hynick	Marilyn K. Nellis	Debra A. Pappert
Charles Ray Rogers	Jerry Rose	Bette Schubert
Helen Sherring	Louise Pask Springer	Karl vonHahmann
Elizabeth (Betty) Winship		

### PRAYER OF THANKS (unison)

Creator and Redeemer of all souls, we have joy at this time in all who have faithfully lived, and in all who have died. We thank you for all happy memories and all living hopes; for the sacred ties that bind us to the unseen world; for the dear and holy dead who surround us like a cloud of witnesses and make the hidden heaven a home to our hearts. By your saving love, may we be followers of those who already inherit your promise. Through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn      *“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”*      see insert

### Charge

Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders us and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us with our eyes fixed on Christ.

### Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May God’s face shine with delight  
In looking upon you with favor  
And may you rest forever in God’s peace.

†Postlude      *“Song for All Saints”*      Mary McDonald

\*congregation standing (all who are able)

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

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** – A meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of The Presbyterian Church in Geneva, NY will be held on Sunday, November 14, 2021 following the 10:30 worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the Nominating Committee and election of church officers for the year 2022.

*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  
Adult Education class in south parlor, 9:15  
Sunday School, upstairs classrooms, 9:30  
Worship service in sanctuary, 10:30  
All Saints' Day candle-lighting at 10:30 service  
Stewardship "Table Talks" in conference room after both worship services*

*Monday, 11/1       Bell Choir rehearsal, 4:00  
Interpretation & Stewardship Committee meeting, 7:00*

*Tuesday, 11/2     Election Day  
Adult Education Committee meeting, 5:30  
Bible study with Pastor Colin (via Zoom), 6:00  
Sacred Arts class (Tai Chi) in Sacred Arts Room, 7:00  
Property Committee meeting, 7:00*

*Wednesday, 11/3 Self-Help Sewing class in fellowship hall, 9:00  
Lectionary Bible Study (via Zoom) with Rev. John Milne, 12:00  
Sacred Arts class (scrap-booking) in Sacred Arts Room, 6:00  
Deacons meeting, 7:00*

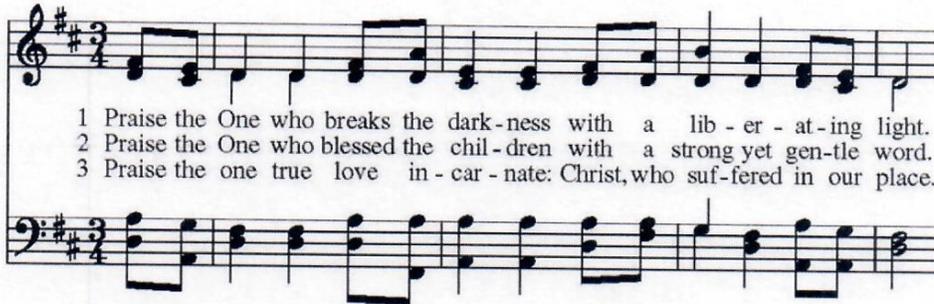
*Thursday, 11/4*

*Friday, 11/5*

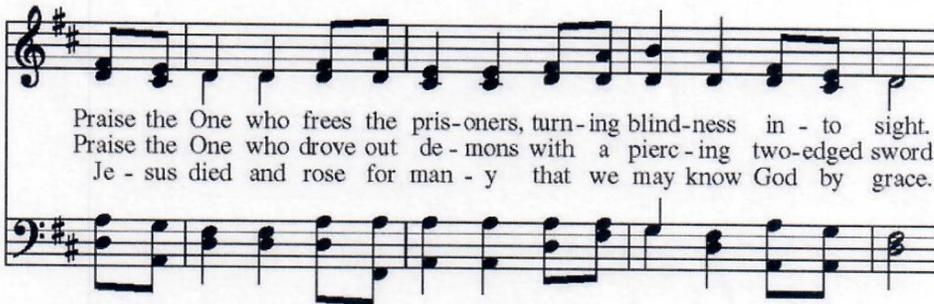
*Saturday, 11/6    SERRV Shop open 10:00 – 12:30  
Set clocks back one hour tonight !!*

*Sunday, 11/7     Worship service in sanctuary (Communion), 8:15  
Adult Education class in south parlor, 9:15  
Youth Triennium information meeting upstairs, 9:15  
Sunday School, upstairs classrooms, 9:30  
Worship service in sanctuary (Communion), 10:30  
Nominating Committee meeting in fellowship hall, 11:45*

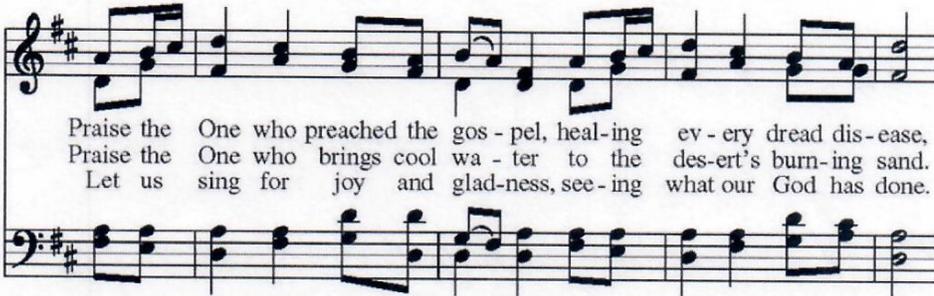
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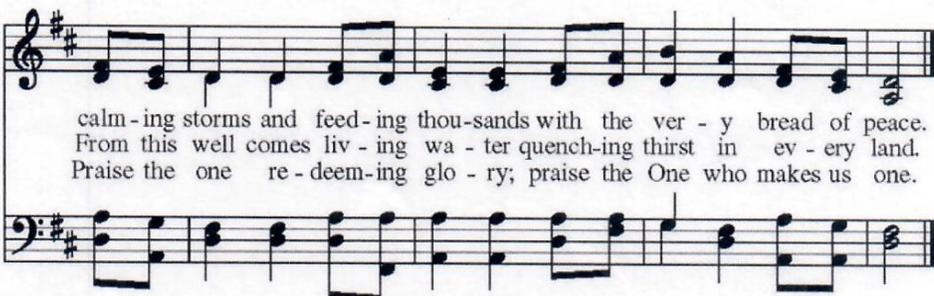
1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at-ing light.  
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil-dren with a strong yet gen-tle word.  
 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf-fered in our place.



Praise the One who frees the pris-oners, turn-ing blind-ness in - to sight.  
 Praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing two-edged sword.  
 Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal-ing ev - ery dread dis-ease.  
 Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des-ert's burn-ing sand.  
 Let us sing for joy and glad-ness, see-ing what our God has done.



calm-ing storms and feed-ing thou-sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
 From this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench-ing thirst in ev - ery land.  
 Praise the one re - deem-ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

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