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## July 14-July 21 CALENDAR

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

**July 14, 2024**

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

### SERMON SERIES

God Speaks

### TODAY'S SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Steele  
*Go Back to Bed, Sam*

### TEXTS

Psalm 139:1-12  
Matthew 17:1-8  
1 Samuel 3:1-10  
Hebrews 11:8-12

# SERMON SERIES

July 14-August 11

Current Sermon Series:

## God Speaks

### July 14

How God spoke  
in the Old Testament

### July 21

How God spoke  
in the New Testament

### July 28 and August 4

How God speaks today

### August 11

How we discern God's voice

## TODAY'S GREETERS

Welcoming you to worship today are **Glenn Payne** and **Ray Miller**, representing the Men's Bible Study. This group meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays at 7:30am in McLennan Lounge. Come join them this Saturday!

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

*Variations on  
"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*

Janet Linker  
Dr. Herbert Geisler, organ

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Steele

Call to Worship\* (See insert.)

The Rev. Dr. Mickie Choi-Hoe

Congregational Hymn

*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

*Glory to God #265*

Psalter Reading: Psalm 139:1-12 (OT p710)

Prayer of Confession† (See insert.)

Moment for Connecting

Children up to 5th grade are escorted to classrooms.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:1-8 (NT p22)

Musical Offering

*Marchin' On Up*

arr. Mark Hayes

Holly Moore Harvey, mezzo-soprano; Juanita Tsu, piano

*Marchin' on up, marchin' to the city of God,  
why don't you come along?*

*Come, we that love the Lord and let our joys be known.  
Join in a song with sweet accord and thus surround the throne.  
We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion.  
We're marching on upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.*

*Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God.  
but children of the heav'nly King may speak their joys abroad.  
We're marching.....*

*The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets,  
before we reach the heavenly fields or walk the golden streets.*

*Children, we must let our songs abound 'til ev'ry tear be dry.  
We're marching through Immanuel's ground to fairer worlds on high.  
We're marching...*

Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (OT p306)

Anthem

*Over My Head*

African American spiritual; arr. John Bell  
Geneva Chancel Choir, Eileen O'Hern, director

*Over my head, I see trouble in the air;...  
there must be a God somewhere.*

\* The Call to Worship is written by Thom Shuman, and posted on Lectionary Liturgies. <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/>

† The Prayer of Confession is written by Beth Merrill Need on her blog, "Hold Fast to What Is Good". Used with permission. <http://third-space.org.uk/blog>

Oh, when the world is silent,  
(I hear music in the air)...  
there must be a God somewhere.

Over my head, I hear music in the air....

And when I'm feeling lonely,  
(I hear singing in the air)....

Over my head, I hear singing in the air....

Now when I think on Jesus,  
(I see glory in the air)....

Over my head, I see glory in the air....  
there must be a God somewhere.

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 11:8-12 (NT p273)

Congregational Hymn

*You Are Before Me, Lord*

*Glory to God #28*

Message: *Go Back to Bed, Sam*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Opportunity to Be Generous

Rod and Jane Kingston, elders

Congregational Hymn

*You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd*

*Glory to God #274*

Life at Geneva

Blessing

Postlude

*Lobe den Herren*

Johann Gottfried Walther

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## SERMON NOTES:

# 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

The *Feasting on the Word*  
curriculum used for the  
lectionary scripture is the basis  
for study for this class.

Leadership duties rotate  
among participants, and  
discussions veer into how  
scripture relates to current  
events.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

*Month of July*

This month we're filling backpacks for students at San Joaquin Elementary School, one of our local Mission Partners. Items needed include dry-erase markers, glue sticks, crayons, and the ubiquitous No. 2 pencil. Bring to the church office on Sundays or throughout the week. Questions? Contact Elizabeth Carlisle, elder for Missional Life, at [elizabethjay41@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabethjay41@yahoo.com).

## YOUTH WHALE WATCHING TRIP

*Friday, August 2nd, 9:30am - noon*

Attention, middle and high school students! Our whale-watching trip approaches, and registration is now open. Bring a friend! We'll meet in the church parking lot at 8:30am to carpool. Participants also must have a Medical Release Form on file with the church. For further information and to register, please contact Saul Bonilla-Lopez, Director of Youth Ministry, at [sbonilla@genevapres.org](mailto:sbonilla@genevapres.org).

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

*Saturday, July 20, 7:30-9am*

Join us in McLennan or by Zoom. Newcomers are welcome; Bibles are helpful but can be made available. Come spend the first part of your day with coffee, doughnuts, and friends!

## ALL-CHURCH PIZZA PARTY

*Sunday, July 28, 11:35am in Simpson*

Plan now to join us on July 28 for an all-church pizza party in Simpson Hall. ITPC is invited, too! We'll have a casual time of chowing down, getting to know each other better — and we'll get a chance to see a few of those videos we missed when our sanctuary projector went kaput!

## TECH VOLUNTEERS STILL SERVE

Helping our AV team with worship slides this month is Im Sook Lee. Thank you, Im Sook, for your faithfulness in serving our online worshippers!

## CHURCH IDENTITY EXPLORATION

One key word that has emerged from our recent *Church Identity* workshops is "relationships."

Leadership has listened and is already responding, working to find creative ways we can get together, know one another more deeply, and become a more relational church.

While we continue to dig into what it means to be a church in the 21st Century, we will keep you posted about next steps and opportunities for you to get involved in the discussion.

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Fridays 9am-1pm.

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## 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.

Albany Lee, Pastor

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[irvinetpc.org](http://irvinetpc.org)

### The Geneva School

Education for K-8th Grade  
Gina Bonecutter, Head of  
School  
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