

# EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF GENEVA

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ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION

WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11H00

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*We are glad you are here—welcome!*

**Thank you** to those sharing in worship leadership this morning:

*Guest Preacher and Musician:* Rev. Terry MacArthur

*Guest Presider:* Rev. Sarah Stephens

*Prayer leader:* Judy Davis

*Reader:* Arnav, Ritu and Dinesh Suna

*Altar care:* Mee Ji, Seng Ra Marit

*Assisting ministers:* Elisabeth Benn, Clare Duran, Ligia Scott,  
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Guest Presider: Rev. Sarah Stephens  
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Prelude *Sheep lost in five* Terry MacArthur  
*Improvisation on St. Columba*

The one who calls us is a caring shepherd,  
*not a crusading, conquering hero.*  
This shepherd washes feet and prepares tables,  
*rather than taking up arms or igniting explosions.*  
This shepherd gave himself up even unto death,  
*defeating death not by force, but by death itself.*  
This shepherd is love,  
*gently leading those who stray back into the paths of life.*  
God is love, and we worship God, our Maker,  
*leading us in the pastures of goodness,*  
God, our Shepherd,  
*guiding us through the heights and the valleys.*  
God, our Life.  
*blessing us with the truth that sets us free.*

# Hymn

## Such perfect love my shepherd shows

*While we sing the children go to church school*

Henry W. Baker: England

Irish melody



1. Such per - fect love my Shep - herd shows, whose
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my
3. When vain and fool - ish oft I strayed, you,
4. I do not fear death's shad - owed vale when
5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight, your
6. And so through all the length of days your



good - ness fails me nev - er, whose hand all things I  
 lov - ing Shep - herd leads me, and where the ver - dant  
 faith - ful Shep - herd, sought me, and on your shoul - der  
 you are here be - side me: your rod and staff, my  
 gifts of grace be - stow - ing; and oh, what tran - sport  
 good - ness fails me nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I



need be - stows and watch - es me for - ev - er.  
 pas - tures grow with food from heav - en feeds me.  
 gent - ly laid, then home re - joic - ing brought me.  
 com - fort still, your cross be - fore to guide me.  
 of de - light from your pure chal - ice flow - ing.  
 sing your praise with - in your house for - ev - er.

## Call to Prayer

### Prayer of Confession

God of gentleness and grace,  
 when status becomes our measure rather than compassion,  
*forgive us.*

when we lose our center trying to get ahead,  
*re-turn us.*

when it becomes more important that people look up to us,  
 than it is that we serve,  
 and when even our serving becomes a means to gain respect or  
 privilege,  
*wind us back from vanity with your self-giving.*



# Sung Response

## Khudaayaa, rae ham kar

Traditional Urdu

R.F. Liberius: Pakistan

1,3. Khu daa - yaa, rae ham kar, Khu - daa - yaa, rae ham,  
 Khu - daa - yaa, rae ham kar, Khu - daa - yaa, rae ham,  
 Khu - daa - yaa, rae-ham kar, Khu - daa - yaa, rae-ham. *fine*

*Lord, have mercy.*

God of Truth,  
 the wisdom we need often escapes us,  
 and too often we choose what we know is not good or right.

### ***Forgive us.***

We easily become lost in a maelstrom of sites, comments, publicity,  
 subscriptions, trailers, counter comments, posts, and an artificial  
 intelligence, so clever it knows how to flatter us.

### ***Re-turn us.***

Lead us by the quiet waters where our souls might be restored,  
 so we find clear direction when we face difficult paths.

***Wind us back from the foolishness of selfishness to the folds of your love.***

# Sung Response

## Masihaa, rae ham kar

2. Ma - sii - haa, rae ham kar, Ma - sii - haa, rae ham.  
 Ma - sii - haa, rae ham kar, Ma - sii - haa, rae-ham.  
 Ma - sii - haa, rae ham kar, Ma - sii - haa, rae-ham. *D.C.*

*Christ, have mercy.*

Christ Jesus, our life, our way,  
for whatever in us does not follow your claim upon our lives,  
*forgive us.*

For the moments when fear intrudes and we see others as enemies,  
instead of those whom you love,

*re-turn us to your grace.*

When we knowingly, or unknowingly, participate in patterns that  
destroy or degrade,

that wound or abuse, that succumb to fear,

*wind us towards the pathway home,*

*where your arms embrace, and your pain heals,*

*where goodness and mercy become who we are because we dwell with you.*

Sung Response

**Khudaayaa, rae ham kar**

Words of Grace

Hymn of Praise

**Joy Probhu tomari joy**

Bart Shaha: Bangladesh



Joy Pro - bhu to - ma - ri joy, Tu - mi a - ma - der  
Glo - ry be to you, O God, tru - ly you love us,



1. bha - lo - ba - sho, Joy Pro - bhu to ma - ri joy.  
2. ra - kha ka - ro,  
3. muk - to ka - ro,  
4. shu - khi ka - ro,  
love ev - ery one. Glo - ry be to you, O God.

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2. truly you saved us, saved sinners all.
3. truly you freed us, freed those in chains.
4. you made us joyful, brought happiness.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you,  
*and also with you.*

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

This is the word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

## Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd,

***I shall not want.***

You make me lie down in green pastures;

***You lead me beside still waters.***

You restore my soul.

***You lead me in right paths for your name's sake.***

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,

***I fear no evil; for you are with me;***

your rod and your staff—

***they comfort me.***

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

***you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.***

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

***and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.***

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

***"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"***

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,



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*We sing once through loudly.*

*Then we sing softly the Amen and the reader continues.*

Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

*We sing once more the Amen loudly.*

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

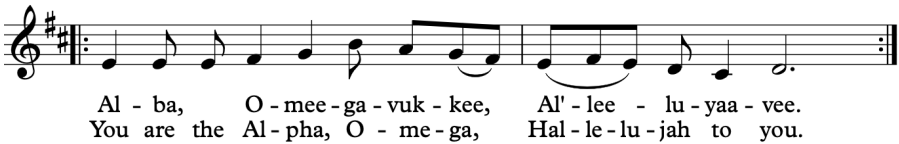
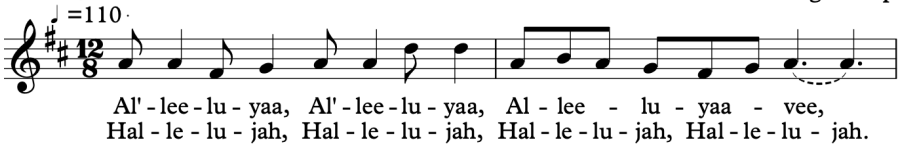
This is the word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God.***

Alleluia

Thamil, India

Asian Planning Group



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The Gospel

John 10:22-30

The Gospel according to John chapter 10.

***Glory to you, O Lord.***

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Alleluia

Sermon

Terry MacArthur

# Hymn

## Lead us from death to life

Refrain, Satish Kumar. Verses Marty Haugen

Marty Haugen

*Refrain*



Lead us from death to life, from false - hood to truth, from de-spair to



hope, from fear to trust. Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace; Let



peace fill our hearts, let peace fill our world, let peace fill our u - ni - verse.



1. Still all the an - gry cries, still all the an - gry guns, still now your  
2. So ma - ny lone - ly hearts, so ma - ny bro - ken lives, long - ing for  
3. Let jus - tice ev - er roll, let mer - cy fill the earth, let us be -



peo - ple die, earth's sons and daugh - ters. Let jus - tice roll, let  
love to break in - to their an - guish. Come, teach us love,  
gin to grow in - to your peo - ple. We can be love,



mer - cy pour down, come and teach us your way of com - pas - sion.  
come, teach us peace, come and teach us your way of com - pas - sion.  
we can bring peace. We can still be your way of com - pas - sion.

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## Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,*

*suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

#### Prayers of Intercession

God, in your mercy,  
***hear our prayer.***

#### Passing of the Peace

Christ is risen!  
***He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!***

Gathering of Gifts      *What else shall I ask you Lord*  
*Odia (one of the Indian languages) and Music by Ranjit Khetriya*  
*Sung by Ritu and Dinesh Suna*

*What else shall I ask you Lord*  
*Every thing you have given already*  
*Still, I ask, Stay with me till the end of my life!*

*Whenever I became despair in journey of life*  
*You have filled me with hope*  
*When I floundered in my path*  
*You picked me up holding my hand*  
*Still I ask, stay with me till the end of my life!*

*Whenever I forgot you*  
*You always stayed close to me*  
*You were understanding all my needs*  
*Whenever I was in need*  
*Still I ask, stay with me till the end of my life!*  
*English translation, Dinesh Sunah*



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## Offertory

## Bendice Señor nuestro pan

Argentina

Ben - di - ce, Se - ñor, nues - tro pan, y da pan a los que tien - en  
Lord, bless the bread you have given, and give bread to all who are

ham - bre y ham - bre de jus - ti - cia a los que tien - en  
hun - gry, give hun - ger for jus - tice to those with

pan. Ben - di - ce Se - ñor nues - tro pan.  
bread. Lord, bless the bread you have given.

English, Donald Wetherick

## Great Thanksgiving

*Pastor* *People* *Sursum corda*

The Lord be with you. *And al - so with you.*

*Pastor* *People*

Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to the Lord.*

*Pastor*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

*It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

## Preface

You are the Creator of all that is—  
the green pastures, the still waters,  
the oil of comfort, the wine of gladness—  
so we cry, **Blessing:**

### ***Blessing.***

You are the leader and guide,  
caring for the lambs on the hillside,  
numbering the sparrows on the wing,  
gathering the dust of the earth  
and shaping it into humanity with a voice that can sing, **Glory:**

### ***Glory.***

You are judge and hope,  
sending forth prophets to announce your good will  
that mercy and justice will endure  
until all your people are gathered around your throne,  
jubilant to be in your presence proclaiming, **Wisdom:**

### ***Wisdom.***

So with all those of every time and every place,  
whose robes are washed in the flood of grace,  
we join in singing your endless praise.

# Sanctus

## You are holy

Per Harling: Sweden

Samba



Du är he - lig, Du är hel. Du är all - tid myck - et mer,  
You are ho - ly. You are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, Du är nä - ra än - då.  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl sig - nad va - re Du, Som kom - mer hit just nu,  
Bless - ed are you com ing near. Bless - ed are you com ing here



Väl sig - nan - de vår jord, Blir till bröd på vår jord.  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

### Part 2



Du är he - lig, Du är hel - het, Du är när - het,  
You are ho - ly. You are whole - ness. You are pre - sent,



He - la kos - mos lo - var Dig! Ho - si - an - na!  
let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! Sing Ho - san - na



Ho - si - an - na! Ho - si - an - na! Ho - si - an - na vår Gud.  
in the high - est. Sing Ho - san - na. Sing Ho - san - na to God.

*First time unison. Second time women start at the beginning while the men start at Part 2.*

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## Eucharistic Prayer

## Words of Institution

## Remembering

At this table we remember Jesus Christ. He is the bread of life and the wine of salvation. We proclaim the mystery of our faith.

***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

## Prayer to the Holy Spirit

### Sung Amen



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## Lord's Prayer

*in our many languages*

***Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.***

Gm Dm<sup>7</sup> Eb Bb/D Eb Bb/D Cm<sup>7</sup> Dm Eb

Oi, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa, jo - ka pois o - tat maa - il - man  
 O, Lamb of God, given for us, all the sin of the world you are

F/A F<sup>7</sup> Bb F/A Gm<sup>7</sup> F

syn - nin, ar - mah - da mei - tä, ar - mah - da mei - tä.  
 bear - ing. Grant us your mer - cy, grant us your mer - cy.

Gm Dm<sup>7</sup> Eb Bb/D Eb Bb/D Cm<sup>7</sup> Dm Eb F/A

Oi Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa, io - ka pois o - tat maa il - man syn - nin,  
 O, Lamb of God, given for us, all the sin of the world you are bear - ing.

F/Bb Bb Bb/D Cm F<sup>7</sup> Bb

an - na meil - le rau - ha - si ja siu - na - uk - se - si.  
 Peace, we ask you, peace and jus - tice. Grant us your own true peace.

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## Invitation to Communion

*All are welcome for communion.*

*Come and take any empty space around the altar. You will receive the bread.*

*Then choose a cup: a dark cup for wine, a lighter cup for grape juice.*

*Place the used cup on the next tray before returning to your seat.*

## Songs during Communion

### Christ is risen from the dead

adapted from a Georgian Orthodox Easter Melody

Christ is ri - sen from the dead, tramp - ling down death by death

and up - on those in the tombs be - stow - ing life.

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in a key with one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily composed of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system covers the first two lines of the text, and the second system covers the next two lines. The score ends with a double bar line.

# Margam, Satyam, Jivam Nive

English paraphrase, Andrew Donaldson as taught by Vinita Manchala: Telugu: India



Mar - gam, Sa - tyam, Ji - vam Ni - ve, A - di, A -  
Liv - ing, mov - ing End and Be - gin - ning, you are Love,



dha - ram, an - tam Ni - ve. 1. Pa - la - na, po - sha - na,  
ho - ly you are, shall be. 2. Ru - pam, dee - pam,  
3. Ho - mam, Kshe - mam,

1. Breath - giv - er, Heal - er, you  
2. You are the cher - ished One,  
3. You are the Truth and the



pra - nam, Ni - ve. Pu - ni - tam, puj - yam, pur - nam,  
gop - yam, Ni - ve Hr - da - yam, stha - nam, Pra - dha - mam,  
shan - tam, Ni - ve Nit - yam, sat - yam, su - gu - nam,  
are light and ra - diance; you are all, jus - tice, fair - ness,  
Source of our be - ing, mer - ci - ful, faith - ful, shel - tering,  
Way for our walk - ing. You are life: wak - ing, death's power



Ni - ve. Pre - man, dha - mam, dhya - nam, Ni - ve,  
Ni - ve, Vak - yam, bha - vam, jna - nam, Ni - ve  
Ni - ve Bhag - yam, bho - gam, sauk - yam, Ni - ve  
pa - tience. In you all souls flow - er o - pen:  
heal - ing. You are mu - sic, you are rhy - thm,  
break - ing, Thun - der, whirl - wind, si - lence, mys - tery,



Pra - bha - lam, pha - li - tam, pun - yam, Ni - ve.  
Gee - tam, ga - nam, ra - gam, Ni - ve.  
Dhar - mam mar - mam, pa - ra - mam, Ni - ve.  
in - tel - lect, ho - li - ness, ten - der - ness, de - vo - tion.  
mel - o - dy, po - e - try, har - mo - ny, and wis - dom.  
sac - ri - fice, nour - ish - ment; you are, shall be.

Transcription Terry MacArthur. English paraphrase © Andrew Donaldson, from a literal translation by Peniel Jesudason Rufus Rajkumar.



# Savior, like a shepherd lead us

Dorothy A. Thrupp

William Bradbury

1. Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us,  
 2. We are yours, in love be - friend us,  
 3. You have prom - ised to re - ceive us,  
 4. Let us al - ways seek your fa - vor;  
 much we need your ten - der care; in your pleas - ant pas - tures  
 be the guard - ian of our way; keep your flock, from sin de -  
 poor and sin - ful though we be; you have mer - cy to re -  
 let us al - ways do your will; Je - sus Christ our on - ly  
 feed us, for our use your folds pre - pare. Bless - ed  
 fend us, seek us when we go a - stray. Bless - ed  
 lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free. Bless - ed  
 Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill. Bless - ed  
 Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us, yours we are.  
 Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.  
 Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, let us al - ways turn to you.  
 Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us, yours we are.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear your child - ren when we pray.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, let us al - ways turn to you.  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

Sending Forth

Benediction

Introduction of Visitors and Announcements

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord  
*Thanks be to God.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Congregational Assembly – Sunday 25 May**

On Sunday 25 May, our congregation will hold its annual spring assembly following worship. This will be a time to celebrate the past year of ministry, elect new members to our Congregation Council, and look ahead to the year to come. We will also be voting on whether or not to renew Andy Willis's contract for a new three-year term.

Packets of assembly reports are being sent to all members by email. If you wish for a paper copy of the reports packet, please contact the church office, and we will be happy to provide one. Members, please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

## **Women's Circle Invitation**

Ladies, come and join our Women's Circle! We gather in our church, our village, on one Saturday each month from 10am to 12pm for coffee and croissants and for fellowship and fun. All women church members and regular attendees are welcome. Dates for the coming months: **14 June, 12 July**. Please contact Marit Bauer-Moore, Cynthia Wilbers, Gladys Yegon, Margaret Kehoe-Winkler or the office for more information.

## **Picnic on Ascension Day – Thursday 29 May**

On Ascension Day, Thursday 29 May, our congregation will hold a picnic at a local park, starting at 11h30. More details will follow soon—mark your calendars now!

## **God Only Knows What We Would Be Without ... MUSIC!**

Saturday, June 14, 20:00h at the church – ELCG Quiz Night: NAME THAT TUNE! Bach or Bacharach? Genesis or The End?

Mercedes Sosa or The Cars?

- nail-biting team rivalry
- ruthless jury
- special appearance DJs Breanna & Geoffrey
- live connection with Japanese hip-hop star
- sips and snacks

Sign up NOW and stay TUNED!

*Your ELCG Music Quiz Team*



## **Harvest Festival – Sunday 18 May**

The Harvest Festival is coming. This annual get-together in our congregation is an opportunity for fun, fellowship, generosity and a meal together. It's time to get ready!

### ***Date and time***

This year's Festival will take place at the church on 18 May shortly after our Sunday morning worship service. We will share the food we bring in a fellowship meal. Then we will exercise our generosity together with a 'fellowship raffle' of the gifts we all bring.

### ***This year's projects***

This year, all funds raised at the Harvest Festival will go to two important projects helping people in need. Details on these projects will follow soon.

### ***Bring food to share for the potluck lunch***

- If your family name starts with A to H, please bring a MAIN DISH
- Names from I to P, please bring a DESSERT
- Names from Q to Z, please bring a STARTER.

Bringing a dish from your home country or tradition is most welcome! And, if you can, please bring a drink to share. Buffet tables will be set up in the sanctuary.

### ***Offer a gift for the Harvest Festival***

Help bring the Harvest Festival to life with the festival gifts you offer. Consider gifts that can be shared and/or bring us together -- a meal for 4 or 6 people (perhaps with food from your culture), outings for 4, a favorite walk, a tour, some baby-sitting, homemade cakes or biscuits, beautiful artwork or crafts, perhaps a gift-basket. Many of the items being offered will include having fun together.

Please send a title and a brief description of your Harvest Festival gift by Thursday 15 May to Riza Le Geyt ([office@genevalutheran.ch](mailto:office@genevalutheran.ch)) or Jonathan Frerichs ([jonathan\\_frerichs@yahoo.com](mailto:jonathan_frerichs@yahoo.com)).

### ***Harvest raffle***

This year we will hold a raffle (or "tombola") for the gifts being offered by our community. Each raffle ticket will cost 10 CHF.

- If you buy five tickets (50 CHF), there will be one extra ticket for free.
- If you buy ten tickets (100 CHF), you will get two extra tickets free.

Everyone who puts their ticket(s) on an item will have a chance to win that item when that gift is raffled. Everyone who buys a ticket for an item is helping raise money for our two projects even if they do not 'win' that raffle.

***Buy your raffle tickets beforehand -- by Thursday 15 May, if possible***

You are asked to support the Harvest Festival this year by buying raffle tickets in advance. Tickets can be purchased using this QR code, by contacting the church office, or on Sundays preceding the event. Tickets can also be purchased 'live' -- during the raffle on the 18th. Please order your raffle tickets by 15 May if possible.

If you will not be there for the Festival, you are still most welcome to make a contribution for the two projects we will be supporting.

If you have questions about this year's Festival, contact Riza Le Geyt or Jonathan Frerichs.  
Give, come and join in the fun!

Good wishes,  
Harvest Festival organizing team



**Music Camp this Summer**

From Sunday, 10 August to Friday, 15 August 2025, there will be a summer camp organized by our music director Katharina Mainberger-Dellweg at Maison de Jeunesse de Vers-l'Eglise in Les Diablerets in Vaud. The camp is for children ages 7 to 13, and previous musical knowledge is not required. The whole team together with the children will create a musical with Noah's arc as the theme, and the performance of the musical will be held on Sunday, 17 August at 16h00 at the ELCG. The cost for the week is CHF 550 per child (all-inclusive) with a discount for multiple children from the same family. Contact Katharina ([katharina@genevalutheran.ch](mailto:katharina@genevalutheran.ch)) to sign up or for more information.

**Serving Weekly Coffee Hour**

Our congregation holds a simple coffee hour after worship each Sunday. Preparation for coffee hour is by neighborhood groups:

18 May – Group B

25 May – Group C

1 June – Group D

8 June – Group E

*If you can help on a week when your group is assigned,  
please let your group's coordinator know*

# COLONIE DES VACANCES

CHILDREN'S MUSIC CAMP

# Noah & Arc

REGISTRATION  
AND INFO HERE



10. TO 15. AUGUST 2025

7-13  
YEARS

Make music, sing, dance,  
act, paint, go hiking in the  
mountains near the  
chalet! We'll create a  
musical together!

Fr. 550,- for transportation,  
food, accomodation and materials.  
Discount for siblings.

Music director Katharina  
Mainberger-Dellweg

PERFORMANCE  
ON  
SUNDAY  
17. AUGUST  
IN GENEVA  
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**This Week's Schedule:**

<b>Tue, 13 May</b>	<b>12h00</b>	Worship committee
<b>Thurs, 15 May</b>	<b>19h30</b>	Choir practice
<b>Sun, 18 May</b>	<b>11h00</b>	Worship and church school
<b>Sun, 18 May</b>	<b>12h30</b>	Harvest festival

*Office hours: Tuesday 9h30-17h30, Thursday 9h30-17h30, Friday 9h30-13h30*

**Our church is entirely self-supporting.** Our ministry is entirely funded by the contributions of members and friends of the congregation. There are three ways you can donate today:

**By bank transfer:** Using the banking app on your phone, scan one of the QR codes below:



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CH26 0078 8000 0510 7337 8



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- By cash:** Place your contribution in the offering bags during worship.
- By U.S. dollar check:** Make the check payable to “Evangelical Lutheran Church in America,” and on the memo portion, write “GMG 0858”.

*Thank you for your support of our ministry together!*

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**If you are a guest in our congregation today,** *please fill out the connection card below—you can place it in the offering bag or hand it to the pastor or one of the ushers. We’d love to be in touch and answer any questions you might have about the church.*

<b>ELCG Connection Card</b>	
Name	_____
Phone	_____
Email	_____
Comments	_____
New to Geneva? Y/N	Date _____