



Sunday, November 10, 2024

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

- PRELUDE "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by J. S. Bach
- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. David Watermulder
- CALL TO WORSHIP Youngla Kwon-Cleary
from Psalm 146
- Leader; I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God
all my life long.
- People: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.**
- Leader: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the
Lord their God.
- People: The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the
righteous.**
- Leader: The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
- People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all
my life long.**
- Leader: Come, let us worship Almighty God together today!
- HYMN #307 (v 1, 2, 4) "God of Grace and God of Glory" CWM RHONDDA
- PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON Rev. Erica Rader
**Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to
love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love
inconstant, and our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into your
likeness. In your tender love, day by day, forgive us and call us back to you. Help
us to trust we have just enough to respond to your world with abundance. Amen**
- SONG OF PRAISE "Cornerstone" Worship Band
- PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Erica Rader
- CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Erin Heath

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Proverbs 3:1-12 Youngla Kwon-Cleary

MOMENT OF STEWARDSHIP Greg and Donna Vorst

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING Rev. Erica Rader

OFFERTORY "I'm Gonna Sing when the Spirit says Sing" arr. by Howard Helvey

DOXOLOGY #606 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDETH

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 21:1-4

SERMON "Bring Your Best" Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

HYMN "Counting Every Blessing" Worship Band

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #410 "God is calling Through the Whisper" W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY

BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE "March in F Major" by Franz Schubert
Nickie Ledford and Katie Gueorguieva

Keep in Your Prayers: For Vickie Showman's family after her passing. For family of Mardie Dailey after her passing. The Hingle Family during a hard season. Pastor Erica's mother Karen. Carolyn Randall's daughter Tiffany. Micheal Taylor after the loss of his brother Monte. Tom Smith as he cares for Mildred in memory care. Gigi McNulty. Lisa McKibbin's daughter Addie. Kristy Cole. Emily Barrett. Joan and Willis Brown. The Bierly/Shaw families. Julie Clausen's cousin Tyler. Rachel Larsen. Jeff Yergler. Tony Bayne. Gail Myers. Shirley Swallow. Sharon LeClaire. Judy Momrow. Barbara Snyder's daughter, Terry. Rosemary Will. Susan Cherne and family.

Archaeology and the Bible: Dr. Patrick Hunt is from Stanford and will be presenting a 3-part class on discoveries from ancient archeology and how it informs our faith and understanding. Dr. Hunt is an expert in his field, a best-selling author and a real-life Indiana Jones figure! Join us after worship on December 8th for this exciting series. Light lunch will be provided. Dr. Hunt's books will be available for purchase.

Informational meeting for Camino de Santiago Women's Pilgrimage

Sunday November 10 11:30am. Join Pastor Erica and Christina Hingle in the Fireside room after church for an informational meeting on plans for a May 2025 Camino pilgrimage. Dates will be May 17-June 1, 2025. We will share our itinerary, packing lists, expectations and goals as we seek to go deeper in our journey with Jesus.

Thank you for joining us for Worship in the Social Hall! Our Sanctuary building is currently being refurbished and remodeled, so we are temporarily holding our worship services in the Social Hall. We will keep you updated on construction progress and plans as things move forward. Thank you for your flexibility!

Christmas Tea: Ticket Sales Open Today

Start your holiday season on a festive note at PCLG's Christmas Tea, to be held **Thursday, Dec. 5, at noon**. Because of our chancel remodeling project, this year's Tea will be **hosted by Congregation Shir Hadash**, across from the church on Cherry Blossom Lane. Although we'll be in a new location, the event will feature our usual array of homemade goodies and light lunch fare, plus a beloved and familiar musical group: **the Mountain View High School Madrigal Choir**.

Tickets for the Tea will be on sale during coffee hour after today's worship service, at the following November coffee hours, and in the church office. Each ticket costs \$25; we are accepting cash and checks. The Tea is sponsored by PCLG's Presbyterian Women, and all PCLG'ers and their guests -- both women *and* men -- are welcome.

"We Voted. Now What?" -- A Post-Election Conversation

Anxiety, anger and fear have permeated this year's election season among people of all political persuasions. Now that we've voted, strong emotions and uncertainty continue to trouble many of us. If you'd like to share your feelings and find support among fellow Christians, join us **after worship on Sunday, Nov. 17**, when **Pastor Dave** will lead us in an informal post-election conversation. We'll discuss ways we can de-stress, re-center our lives on our faith, and pray for our country. We'll meet from 11:30 to 12:30 in the Fireside Room; snacks will be provided. This event is sponsored by PCLG's Adult Education Committee.

Would you like to read the scripture in church? Each week, we have a different person read the scripture during the worship service. If you are interested in doing this, please contact Mary Jane Humphrey, maryjhumphrey@comcast.net.

Front Door Communities serves lunches and distributes clothes to men and women in the downtown San Jose area. Over 80 people were served the other day and most of them sleep outside each night. There were many requests for sleeping bags now that the weather is turning colder. Do you have 1 or 2 sleeping bags that are no longer being used? The people served by FDC would greatly appreciate having a sleeping bag to keep warm at night. Please bring your sleeping bag donations to the church office anytime or bring them to the Advent Craft Faire on Dec 1st. Thank You!! Questions? Call Jeff Thompson 408-455-2784.

4th/5th Grade Friendsgiving Lunch on Sunday, November 17th, 11:30am-1:30pm
Following worship the 4th and 5th graders will have lunch together to celebrate this special time of year. If your student would like to attend please email Erin at erin.heath@pclg.org to RSVP and receive further information.

Come Sing With Us The choir has returned to worship and we would love to invite you to *Come Sing With Us*. If you've ever thought about singing with the choir, now is the perfect time to join us in musical fellowship. There's no audition and rehearsals are Thursday evenings 7:30 – 9:00pm. Making music is the perfect opportunity to joyfully refresh your creative spirit. It's also a lot of fun. For information contact Michael Taylor at michael.taylor@pclg.org.

Sunday School Volunteers We are blessed with a growing Children's Ministries program and we are looking for more volunteers to fill our classrooms. If you are interested in being a loving adult in the lives of the children of our church, please contact Erin Heath, Children's Ministries Director, at erin.heath@pclg.org.

Nursery Caretaker- Children's Ministries is in need of a regular nursery caretaker on Sunday mornings from 9:30-11:30am. This is a paid position with an opportunity for additional hours during special events. If you know anyone who is interested, please have them contact Erin Heath at erin.heath@pclg.org.

Pastor's Bible Study Join Pastor Dave for a mid-week study each Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

WOW The weekly drop in Bible study for all the women of PCLG (called WOW) meets Thursday mornings from 10 am to 11:30 in the Fireside Room and always welcomes new friends, so contact Julie Lasher at 408/656-8419 or JHLasher01@gmail.com for info on our in-person meetings.

Stephen Ministry Your Stephen Minister is a supportive listener to offer encouragement, not advice. In a recent sermon, the three points were: Look, Listen [don't fix], Leave room for God. This is the foundation of Stephen Ministry; to listen and not to fix and leave room for God. Their motto is: the Stephen Minister is the care giver; God is the cure giver. Not sure that Stephen ministry is for you? Give it a try for 3 weeks—meet for an hour each week with a Stephen Minister who will listen to whatever is weighing on you. PCLG Stephen Ministry [669] 240-0857

The Worship Band is happy to welcome any musicians who enjoy playing guitar, bass, drums or singing. Please feel free to contact Rita@pclg.org for more information. Or find me on a Sunday morning. Blessings, Rita

Sign Language Group We are learning sign language through worship songs. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sunday after worship service in Room 9 in Children's Wing. The dates are subject to change depending on church events. For November, we are meeting every Sunday 11/3, 11/10, 11/17 & 11/24. And for December, we are meeting on 12/1 and Wednesday 12/4, Blue Christmas Service at 7pm, where we are invited to sign 'Silent Night, Holy Night'. Do you love sign language? Come and join us! Questions? Contact Youngla Kwon (youngla0707@gmail.com).

Las Cascabeles PCLG Bell Choir As we move toward Advent, we welcome new folks to join us. If you read music, we'll teach you the rest-- it's easy. We meet on Tuesdays from 6:00-7:30pm in the choir room. Some historic trivia: our name was suggested by Margaret Bath, a friend of Jean Slaght; *la cascabel* is the term for the bell on the kitty cat's collar, which seems appropriate for a bell choir from Los Gatos.

The PW Morning Circle The Thursday morning Bible study will be meeting at the Terraces. We meet once a month on the third Thursday of the month at 10:15 am in the 2nd floor Conference Room. Any questions? contact Ruth Fong at 1(408) 395-9342 or ru.fong@comcast.net.

MINOW Men's Bible Study: We have a men's study in person and via Zoom each Wednesday morning at 6:30 a.m. This group, called MINOW, Men In Need Of Wisdom, is, much like our Presbyterian church, run by its members! We take turns leading the weekly study, and when the current study topic nears completion, together we choose the next. Currently we are studying the book "Sitting at the Feet of Rabbi Jesus" and learning how the Jewishness of Jesus can transform your faith. Please reach out (minow@pclg.org) to be added to the weekly invite.

Youth Update:

It's a "regular" Sunday today with:

MS Sunday School following the Children's time

SNiFF for Middle School @ 5 p.m.

YG for High School @ 7:30 p.m.

Reminder for Love of God team members, we have a bonus meeting tomorrow (Monday) at 7 p.m.

Children's Ministry (Infant - 5th grade): Welcome Families! On Sundays our Nursery is available for children and infants - 2 1/2 years old. Preschool-1st grade will meet in our Preschool Ministry Wing, and 2nd-5th grade will meet in our Children's Ministry Wing. Please refer to the church calendar for special Sundays when Sunday School may not be available. Visiting families should walk their child back to Sunday School after the children's message so that teachers can meet the parents and know who they are dismissing the child to at pickup. Please reach out with any questions to Erin Heath the Director of Children's Ministry erin.heath@pclg.org

PCLG Veterans

Alan Baker, Air Force
Paul Barrish, Navy
Gina Bommarito, Army
Willis Brown, Army (Korean Vet)
Mike Cochran, Navy
Al Dailey, Navy
Phil Deardorf, Navy
Ted Drake, Air Force
Brenda Eldridge, Army
Steve Ferree, Air Force
Jeri Hickman, Army
David Graff, Air Force (Between WWII and Korea)
Tom Jenzen, Air Force
Young Kim, Army, Rev.
Milt Khoobyarian, Army

Bob Kennedy, Army
Bob Lawler, Air Force
Collette Lynner, Navy
Jim Miller, Marines
Bill Meadows, Army
Mike Moore, Navy
Jim Myers, Army
Steve Norton, Air Force
Jerry Ulrich, Army
Ron Raecker, Coast Guard
Bart Raynaud, Air Force
David Shaw, Army
Bill Slocum, Army (WWII and Korean Vet)
Tom Smith, Army
Greg Snow, Air Force
Jim Stoner, Army
George Taylor, Air Force
David Turner, Air Force

Deceased in Last Year

Stewart Berkshire, Navy
Robert Dale, Air Force, MD
Bob Ekstrand, Navy

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Dates To Remember

Nov. 21	Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at Shir Hadash
Nov. 24	Pledge Dedication Sunday
Dec. 1	Advent Craft Faire and Supper
Dec. 4	Blue Christmas service, 7pm
Dec. 5	Christmas Tea at noon hosted by Shir Hadash
Dec. 8	Dr. Patrick Hunt

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We believe that everyone is created in the image of God and that we are all children of our loving God. We welcome you into the life of our church regardless of where you are on your faith journey. We welcome people of any race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation or gender identity. Simply put, we believe that God loves you and so do we.