

# Sunday November 9, 2025 Veterans Day Weekend

#### **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

PRELUDE "Let Your Light Shine" by L. Smith Katie Gueorguieva

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP Bill Walker

Leader: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

People: We've come together as God's people, eager to offer our lives

to the Lord!

Leader: With one voice, we declare God's mighty acts:

People: Justice, kindness, saving grace – these mark God's every move.

Leader: Come, let us worship God together today

HYMN #336 "We Gather Together" KREMSER

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

Gracious God, we confess that we are too easily influenced by peddlers of despair and alarm, too quick to sink into numbness and apathy, too tired to imagine another way. Our hopes have crumbled, and our hearts are faint. Breathe new life into us, we pray. Help us to be mindful of your promises, your faithfulness, and your presence as we face the challenges of our lives. Restore our vision and give us courage to live in your truth. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE #647 "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" GIVE THANKS

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Erin Heath

#### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 98:1-9 Bill Walker

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

OFFERTORY "Blessed Jesu" arr. by Benjamin Harlan Music Director, Michael Taylor, Chancel Choir, Katie Gueorguieva Organist DOXOLOGY #606 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 20:27-38

SERMON "Asking the Right Questions" Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

HYMN #182 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" KINGSFORD

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 #8 "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" MELITA

BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE "Fantasia in C Minor" by Johann Sebastian Bach

Keep in Your Prayers: Jill Hygelund and family on the passing of her husband. Nasrin Taheri on the passing of her father. Ellen Graff and her family on the passing of her husband David. Joan Brown. Pam Bancroft cancer diagnosis. Pat Jones recovering at Terraces health center. Patty Kelly. Mikal Cox (Jack Longley's nephew) struggling with advanced cancer. Eleanor Gallmeister. Emily Barrett. Julie Sebaziga's nephew. Patricia Caputo (Jean Ritchie's daughter). Kristy Cole. Tony Bayne. Judy Momrow.

<u>Stewardship Season has begun!</u> This week we mailed out information about our church budget, our plans for next year and how you can support PCLG. Please return your Pledge Card either in the mail, in person on a Sunday or online. Elder Diane Hanne will be in the Coffee Hour today if you have questions or would like to chat. Thank you!

<u>Women's retreat</u> A group of 54 women from PCLG are away this weekend at the Women's Retreat, we pray for an amazing experience for them!

Giving Online Please visit www.pclg.org/online-giving, or use this QR code, to access our online giving tools. You can give a one-time gift or set up a recurring gift.

4th/5th Grade Friendsgiving Lunch on Sunday, November 9th, 11:30am-1pm. 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 <a href="mailto:erin.heath@pclg.org">erin.heath@pclg.org</a> to RSVP and receive further information.

<u>Advent Craft Faire</u> on Sunday, November 30th. Crafts and activities will be held in the children's wings from 4-5:30pm. Dinner will be served at 5:30pm in the Social Hall. We hope to see you at this wonderful intergenerational event.

**Elf Squad** We're going to put up the Christmas lights at PCLG on the Saturday just after Thanksgiving yet again this year. The date is Sat. Nov. 29th, 9am-11am. It's the day before the Advent Craft Faire, so we need helpers to make sure campus is extra festive for that event. Warm drinks and treats will be provided, and all ages are invited!

<u>Blue Christmas Service</u> December 10, 7:00 p.m. If you are entering into the season with a weary or hurting heart please join us for our annual Blue Christmas service. We gather to remember that Jesus accompanies us through all things, in all seasons. The Service will be filled with Scripture, beautiful music, reflections, prayers, and candles of remembrance.

<u>The PCLG Caring Cuisine</u> ministry is looking for volunteers to provide meals and support to PCLG members during times of need. If you like to cook or just want to help, please email your contact information to <u>GarySerbent@yahoo.com</u>. You will be added to our list of cooks and will be contacted with opportunities to volunteer when needs arise. "

Los Gatos Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service Join us on November 20 at 7:00 pm for our Interfaith Thanksgiving service. There will be a reception following the service. We hope to see you there! The service will be held at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church located at: 219 Bean Ave, Los Gatos

## The participating communities are:

Congregation Shir Hadash
Jewish Silicon Valley
Los Gatos United Methodist Church
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
The Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos
West Valley Muslim Association
Skyland Community Church UCC

# PCLG Christmas Tea: Get Your Tickets Next Sunday!

Start your holiday season on a merry note at our annual Christmas Tea, to be held **Thursday**, **Dec. 4**, **from 12:15 to 2:30**. Tickets will go on sale starting next Sunday, Nov. 16. You can get them at our Tea table during coffee hour after the worship service on the next three Sundays, or in the office during the week. Each ticket costs \$25; we are accepting checks and cash. The event will start in the sanctuary, where we'll enjoy a festive performance by the beloved **Mountain View High School Madrigal Choir**. Then we'll move to the Social Hall to feast on finger sandwiches and our usual array of delicious homemade goodies. If you'd like to bake cookies or otherwise assist with the event, watch for sign-up information in future notices. The Tea is sponsored by PCLG's Presbyterian Women, and all PCLG'ers and their guests -- both women and men -- are welcome.

<u>Children's Ministry</u> (Infant -5th grade) Welcome Families! On Sundays our Nursery is available for children and infants at the beginning of worship. Preschool-1st grade will meet in our Preschool Ministry Wing and 2nd-5th grade will meet in our Children's Ministry Wing. 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, at erin.heath@pclg.org.

#### **Youth Update**

Good morning! We have our regular youth activities today.

- -- Middle School Sunday School during worship
- --SNiFF for Middle School @ 5 p.m.
- -- YG for High School @ 7:30 p.m.

LOG #37 is just a few days away for High School students. This student-led retreat is a short course on Christian faith and community and we'd love to have you. Talk to Steve Fainer or Abby Hoekstra for details.

#### **Dates To Remember**

November 14-16 Love of God retreat for High School students

November 20 Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at St Mary's Church

November 23 Gabriel Nyok Visit and Presentation after worship

December 10 Blue Christmas December 7 pm

March 13-15 Men's Retreat with guest speaker Erik Khoobyarian

## **Recurring Group Meetings**

Pastor's Bible Study – Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in the Fireside room.

<u>WOW</u> – (Women's Weekly Bible study) Thursdays at 10:00 am in the Fireside room. contact: JHLasher01@gmail.com.

<u>PW Morning Circle</u> – (Women's Monthly Bible study) Third Thursday of each month from 10:00 am to noon at the Terraces in the Sunroom, located on the 2nd floor in the Assistant Living area.

MINOW Men's Bible Study - MINOW (Men In Need Of Wisdom) is a Men's Weekly Bible Study held on Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. And we are also on Zoom, if you can't make it to PCLG in the early morning. We are starting a new book this week, so now is a good time to join. Please reach out to minow@pclg.org to be added to the weekly email invite.

<u>Bookends</u> – (Monthly Book Club) – Bookends goes on hiatus for November and December. We'll begin again in January with the book James by Percival Everet.

<u>Sign Language Group</u> We are learning sign language through worship songs, and we meet on the **2nd** and **4th Sunday** after the worship service in Room 9 in the Children's Wing. Please note that we will Not be meeting on October 26th and November 9th to accommodate other church programs. Our next meeting will be November 23rd. For further questions, please contact <a href="mailto:youngla0707@gmail.com">youngla0707@gmail.com</a>.

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### **PCLG Veterans**

Gina Bommarito, Army Mike Cochran, Navy Al Dailey, Navy Phil Deardorf, Navy Ted Drake, Air Force Steve Ferree, Air Force Jim Finkle, Air Force Jeri Hickman, Army Ron Huch, Army Tom Jenzen, Air Force Young Kim, Army, Rev. Milt Khoobyarian, Army Bob Lawler, Air Force Bill Meadows, Army Mike Moore, Navy Jim Myers, Army 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 Dale Thornberry, Army David Turner. Air Force