



Sunday September 6, 2026
Labor Day Sunday

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Communion"
Meditation on "Arlington"
Kirim Eom

by Louis Vierne
by Fred Bock

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill Walker

Leader: I was glad when they said to me, "let us go to the house of the Lord!"

People: We are here today as God's own people!

Leader: It is humbling to know that we all need something from God

People: The Lord knows our needs before we ask.

Leader: We bring our whole selves today, including our hurt, trouble and questions

People: We celebrate God's goodness and trust in God's love.

Leader: Come, let us worship our God together today!

HYMN #515 (vs 1,5,6)

"I Come with Joy"

DOVE OF PEACE

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON

Rev. Erica Rader

Gracious and loving God, we give you thanks that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. By your wisdom, you have given us limits. By your own design we flourish within boundaries and we find more life when we see that we cannot do it all. Help us, Lord! We confess today that we have tried to do it all. We have taken on too much. We have trusted our own thoughts and words and actions. Forgive us for not honoring the sabbath rhythms of life and for following the hurry and worry of this world instead. By your mercy, on this Labor Day weekend, help us to trust in you. Help us to rest in you. Help us to be filled up with your grace once again. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE #451

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

OPEN MY EYES

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Erica Rader

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Erica Rader

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 11:8-12

Bill Walker

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

Rev. Erica Rader

OFFERTORY

"Panis Angelicus"
Danielle Rakhshanifar, soloist

by César Franck

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 15:1-15

SERMON

"Dreams and Visions"

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder
Rev. Erica Rader

THE INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

"The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is good to give God thanks and praise."

THE PRAYER OF PREPARATION

THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC #507 "Come to the Table"

TABLE OF GRACE

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 #697 (Verses 1,5,6)

"Take My Life"

HENDON

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

POSTLUDE

"Praise Him! Praise Him!"

arr. Mary McDonald

Keep in Your Prayers: Kristy Cole's family after her passing. Suzie Hansen. Sharon LeClaire hospitalized. Michael Taylor with a back issue. Gary Kuhn. Melinda Chase's son Matthew, car accident. Mike Ryken hospitalized. Liz Alves and family. Nilofer Merchant's sister Rukhsana. Jean Lusk. Tami and Gerry Young health concerns. Bart Raynaud and family on his wife Terri's passing. Joyce Walters on the passing of her husband. Audrey Christianson. Tony Bayne, upgraded to active list for transplant. Jordan Eldridge. Emily Barrett. Mary Smith. Beth Barry. Joan Brown. Patty Kelly. Eleanor Gallmeister. Judy Momrow.

Congregational Meeting today immediately following the service. We will have a brief congregational meeting to elect our next class of Deacons and Elders.

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.



Kickoff Sunday Join us on Sunday, Sept 13, 2026, from 11:15am to 1:00pm to celebrate the start of our new church year. The staff at the Terraces have graciously offered to cater the event this year. We'll also have the Kona Ice Truck for dessert. Want to help set up or clean up? Find the link in this week's Weekly email or scan the QR code to the right.



New Members and Inquirers Class Saturday October 3, 2026 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Fireside Room - Childcare available with pre-registration. If you are considering making PCLG your church home or if you are curious to learn more, come to our new members and inquirers class led by Pastor Dave. We'll talk about what it means to focus on Jesus at our core, and we'll share about our theological heritage and how our church seeks to grow and serve together. It will be an interactive morning with plenty of time for questions and for getting to know each other. For more info contact: members@pclg.org. You can sign up using the QR code to the right.



Paid Position Available Children's Ministries is looking for an additional Nursery Caregiver for Sunday mornings from 9:30-11:30am (additional hours available for special events). If you know someone who would be a good fit, please email Children's Ministry Director, Erin Heath, at erin.heath@pclg.org.

Weekly Email We have a weekly newsletter email that goes out every Wednesday. There are some folks that prefer to receive the weekly newsletter by mail instead of email. We need a few volunteers every month to help get the newsletter out on Thursdays. If you would like to help please contact Sue Michalick at dsmich@sbcglobal.net.

Grove Groups If you are new or would like to get connected with more people at PCLG, joining a Grove Group is a great opportunity. Grove Groups are small groups of PCLG members, who meet about once a month for fellowship, to study a lesson, have good conversation and some fun. Our theme this fall will be Joy, which is a blessing we can always have more of in our lives. Please contact Elder Doug Thiele at douglasjthiele@gmail.com or text 408-497-7612 for more information or to join a group.

Parenting Class Sunday Relationships & Reducing Power Struggles Oct. 18th, 11:30am-1pm in the Social Hall. Please join us after church for lunch and conversation led by PCLG member, Valerie Plummer, Individual and Family Life Coach and Parent Education Consultant. When a parent expresses empathy in response to a child's mistake, or misbehavior, it lowers a child's defensiveness, helps the child take ownership of the problem and preserves the relationship. It opens the brain and heart for learning so that he or she can develop future skills in problem solving self-awareness and empathy toward others. But what exactly is "empathy" and how do we model it even if we might not have experienced it in our own childhood? This workshop will give practical tools for parents to build loving relationships with their children while reducing common power struggles so that real learning takes place and children can grow to be healthy, balanced and successful adults. Childcare is available in the Preschool wing. Sign ups are helpful for planning food, and can be found at the QR code to the right.



Choir Do you sing in the shower? The Choir needs you! Thursdays, 7:30-9:00 in the choir room. Contact Danielle (danielle@pclg.org) for more info (or just show up this Thursday!).

Bell Choir Can you clap a rhythm? The Bell Choir needs you! Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 in the sanctuary. Contact Ruthanne ruthanne.adamsmartinez@gmail.com for more info.

Worship Band Do you know the difference between a verse, chorus, bridge, and a tag? Can you read a chord chart and sing or play an instrument? The worship band needs you! Contact Rita rita.hoegel@pclg.org for more info.

Children's Choir is back! All kiddos K through 6th grade are invited to come sing with us! We'll meet weekly on Sundays from 11:30am–12:00pm in the Wonderful Room (Pre-School Wing), beginning September 13 through October 18, as the kiddos prepare to lead worship this Reformation Sunday. Come sing and have fun as we share our gifts and joy with our church family—no prior choir experience necessary!

Youth Update Good morning! There is no Sunday School, SNIFF, or High School Youth Group today. We're taking the week off for the Family Campout. This Thursday, September 10, High School Juniors and Seniors are invited to dinner with the Fainer fam from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at PCLG.

Next Sunday, September 13, is Kick Off Sunday. Middle School Sunday School meets during worship. SNIFF for Middle Schoolers runs 5 to 6:15 p.m. High School YG meets 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. Stay after church for PCLG's Kick Off Sunday lunch in the Redwood Grove. Dunk tank, Kona ice, deliciousness.

Children's Ministry (Infant -5th grade) Welcome Families! On a typical Sunday, our Nursery is available for children and infants at the beginning of worship. Preschool-1st grade will meet in our Preschool Ministry "Wonderful Wing" and 2nd-5th grade will meet in our Children's Ministry "Wilderness 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.

Dates To Remember

September 11	Terri Raynaud Memorial Service 2 p.m.
September 12	Choir Retreat
September 13	Kickoff Sunday
September 13	Children's Choir Rehearsals Begin
September 19	Ted Walters memorial luncheon
October 3	Inquirers/New Members Class
October 24	Rise Against Hunger Food Packing
November 6-8	Women's retreat

Recurring Group Meetings

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

WOW (Women's Weekly Bible study) Thursdays at 10:00 am in the Fireside room. contact: JHLasher01@gmail.com. **WOW returns 9/3 for the welcome brunch.**

PW Morning Circle (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. Contact Ruth Fong (408- 314-2682) **Our first meeting will be on Thursday, Sept 17 at 10 AM at the Terraces in the Sun Room.** The new study will be Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. We shall have some good discussions as we try to relate his teachings to our twenty-first century lives.

Bookends (Monthly Book Club). Our September book is The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. We'll meet Sunday 9/27@2:30 in the fireside room with a zoom option.

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. There is always room for more men at the table so please reach out to minow@pclg.org to be added to the weekly email invite.

Sign Language Sign Language Group will not meet on Sunday, September 13, Kick Off Sunday. Please join us on September 27 after church for snacks and sign language practice, 12 pm Room 9, Children's wing. All are welcome. Please contact Charlotte Ferree cferree@yahoo.com or Collette Lynner collette.lynnner@gmail.com for more information.

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