



Sunday October 11, 2026

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Holy Art Thou"
Katie Gueorguieva

by Georg F. Handel

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP
(Inspired by Psalm 36:5-10)

Dylan Coates

Leader: No matter how far we wander from you, O God,

People: your steadfast love finds us.

Leader: No matter how unjust the world seems to us, O God,

People: your steadfast righteousness sustains us.

Leader: No matter how vulnerable our lives seem to us, O God,

People: your steadfast presence gives us hope.

Leader: No matter how overlooked we may feel, O God,

People: you hear our cries and answer our prayers.

Leader: Come, let us worship our God today!

HYMN #307 (v 1,3,4)

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

CWM RHONDDA

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON

Rev. Erica Rader

Gracious and loving God, you desire good in the world and good in our lives. You have given us ways to know you and to follow you. But we confess that our wants and our desires cause us to turn away. We choose our own path and have walked away from you. We want to be free, but we often find ourselves trapped by the power of sin and our own wrong decisions. Forgive us, Lord! Set us free by your grace, show us your mercy, give us peace in our hearts. Trusting in your promises we pray today. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE #418 "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Erica Rader

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Todd, Rocco and Raelynn Rollins

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Proverbs 2:1-15

Dylan Coates

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

OFFERTORY

"Give Me Jesus"
The Chancel Choir

Arr. by Molly Ijames

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 3:3-15

SERMON

"Wisdom: A Dream and A Prayer" Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

HYMN #686

"God of Our Life"

SANDON

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 #610

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

AZMON CM

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE

"Ballade Op. 47"
Nicki Ledford piano

by Frederic Chopin

Keep in Your Prayers: Joy for the wedding of Paul and Juliet Stanton at PCLG on Friday! Kristy Cole's family. Suzie Hansen. Jacob Mattingly's Mother Lorelei had a stroke. Christa Malone. The family of Hi-Dong Chai after his passing. Sharon LeClaire. Michael Taylor. Gary Kuhn. Liz Alves and family. Jean Lusk. Tami and Gerry Young health concerns. Audrey Christianson. Tony Bayne, upgraded to active list for transplant. Emily Barrett. Mary Smith. Beth Barry. Joan Brown. Patty Kelly. Eleanor Gallmeister. Judy Momrow.

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.



Women's Retreat November 6-8, 2026. Join us for a time of learning, friendship and formation as we seek to support one another in our journey with God. More information can be found in our registration packet. Full or partial Scholarships are available please contact Pastor Erica at erica.rader@pclg.org. Registration will close October 26 or when the retreat is full.



Mission Committee Join us today in the Social hall after worship, your mission committee along with our partner HomeFirst invites you to help us put together hygiene kits for our local unhoused brothers and sisters. We will make 300 of them. No previous experience needed. HomeFirst works to end homelessness by providing a full spectrum of services to help people find and maintain permanent housing. HomeFirst serves thousands of individuals and families each year throughout Santa Clara County, providing shelter, housing assistance, outreach, and other supportive services.

Parenting Class: Relationships & Reducing Power Struggles

Oct. 18th, 11:30 to 1:00 in the Social Hall. Please join us after church for lunch and a Love and Logic workshop led by PCLG member, Valerie Plummer, Individual and Family Life Coach and Parent Education Consultant. This workshop will give practical tools for parents to help build strong, loving relationships with their children through the power of empathy while reducing common power struggles so that real learning takes place. Empathy opens the brain and heart for learning so that children can develop future skills in problem solving, self-awareness, empathy toward others, and grow to be healthy, balanced and successful adults

Childcare available in the Preschool wing.

Sign ups are helpful for planning food and can be found at the QR code to the right.



Community Life invites anyone interested in serving to join us for a brief meeting join us today after church in the Fireside Room. We'll share about upcoming opportunities to serve in the coming months and ways you can get involved. We'd love to have you join us! You can contact Lauren Froman at lomfroman@yahoo.com

Mission Committee The mission committee invites you to volunteer for a fun, meal packing event with Rise Against Hunger on Sat, Oct 24 from 9-12 AM in the PCLG Social Hall. We will again be packing 15,000 meals to be distributed to those in need around the world. Rise Against Hunger uses these meals to enable at-risk communities to become self-sustaining over the long term. This will be similar to past events and is open to all ages as long as one can stand to fill and pour a measuring cup or walk containers from one table to another. Sitting volunteer positions are also available. Please sign-up and sign the online waiver form using this link: <https://act.riseagainsthunger.org/event/e813411> For Questions: Please call or email Jeff Thompson 408-455-2784 Jeffsthompson7@gmail.com

Garden lesson for 3rd and 5th grade This morning our 3rd-5th graders will finish their Sunday School lesson with Pastor Erica outside in the Children's garden, near the Redwood Grove. Parents please pick them up outside after church.

Tables of Eight Our next session of Tables of 8 will be from 11/1/2026 through 5/31/2027 We will have sign-ups on Sunday, October 11, 18 and 25. This is a great way to meet new people or get reacquainted with others in the church. The program is open to all adults over 18. People are grouped into "tables" of 8 to 10 people and pledge to have 4-5 meals together over six months. The meals can be in homes or restaurants or even picnics in a park or the Redwood Grove. Be creative. The sign up table will be near the donuts before church and the courtyard during coffee hour. If you are currently in a Table of 8 that needs more time, not to worry. You may still sign up for the next session. Contact Charlotte Ferree at cferree@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

Choir Do you sing in the shower? The Choir needs you! Thursdays, 7:30-9:00 p.m. 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, 6:00-7:30p.m. 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 children 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 children 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! It's a regular Sunday for youth ministries. Sunday School for middle schoolers meets during worship following the Passing of the Peace. SNIFF youth group for middle schoolers runs 5 to 6:15 p.m. High School YG meets 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. Come join us!

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

October 11	Hygiene Kit Mission Project Social Hall 11:15a.m.
October 17	Kristy Cole Memorial 2:00 p.m.
October 24	Rise Against Hunger Food Packing 9:00 a.m.
November 1	Inquirers/New Members Class 11:30a.m.
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.

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)

Book Ends (Monthly Book Club): Our October book is *The Covenant Keepers, A Historical Novel Based on a True Story* published in 2026 written by our own PLCG member Andrea L. Simpson. It is the true story of the young Presbyterian missionary eye doctor to China's Empress Dowager who must escape with his wife and three little sons during the infamous Boxer Rebellion of 1900 and be guided by true escapes of his Scots Covenanter and French Huguenot ancestors in 1681. We will meet Sunday, October 25 at 2:30 pm in the Fireside Room with a zoom option. Please join us for some chocolate macadamia nuts candy, Q & A's, and book signing by the author. Please email cferree@yahoo.com for the zoom link.

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 Group will meet only on Sunday, October 11 this month. Please join us 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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