Presbyterian Church of Los Gatos

Sunday November 15, 2026

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE "We Worship As One"
Los Cascabeles

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP Sue Thomas

Leader: All that we are and all that we have is a gift from our Lord.

People: We are in the loving hands of God, the one who is source of all goodness in our lives.

Leader: God's provision for us extends through all the days of our lives and beyond.

People: We are grateful children of God; we are secure in God's care.

Leader: Let us sing praises to our faithful God.

HYMN #39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS

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

God of grace, we gather to praise you with grateful hearts. All good gifts come from you, flowing out of your kindness. Yet too often we forget the source of the goodness in our lives. We neglect the needs of our neighbors as we are bound by our fear of scarcity. We grasp what is in our control and make it our idol. We become captive to our sins. Lord, forgive us and restore us. Help us to follow Jesus and to grow strong through the abundance of your grace. We pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE "Great Are You, Lord" Worship Band

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Erin Heath

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Chronicles 29:10-17 Sue Thomas

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

OFFERTORY	"Every Time I Feel The Spirit"	arr. Kenneth Billups
	Chancel Choir; Katie Gueorguieva, organist	
DOXOLOGY #606	"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"	OLD HUNDREDTH
SCRIPTURE LESSON		Luke 16:1-13
SERMON	"What's Your Value Proposition?"	Rev. Erica Rader
HYMN	"Goodness of God"	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 #694	"Great God of Every Blessing"	AURELIA
BENEDICTION		Rev. Erica Rader
POSTLUDE	"Find Us Faithful"	Los Cascabeles

Keep in Your Prayers: Suzie Hansen. Brenda Costanzo's sister-in-law with pancreatic cancer. Family of Marguarite Duisenberg after her passing. Ben Fong on the passing of his brother. Jacob Mattingley's Mother Lorelei. Christa Malone. Diana McFarling. The family of Hi-Dong Chai after his passing. 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.

Mission Committee Once again, the mission committee of our church is planning on blessing the families of Bridge Communities in East San Jose. In these tough economic times, we would like to bless 100 families with an Amazon gift card for $100 each. They can use the gift card to buy Christmas gifts or food for their families. If you would like to donate, you can go online and donate to mission (notate mission gift cards) or write a check (notate mission gift cards). If you have any questions, please contact Peggy at peggy.heath@gmail.com.

Los Gatos Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - *Thursday November 19 7:00pm* - Let's join our neighbors in this annual tradition! Our pastors and our choir come together with clergy and music leaders from other faith communities in leading a service of unity and hope. This year it will be held at **Los Gatos United Methodist Church** (11 Church Street), and the offering will support Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence.

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.

PCLG Christmas Tea

Start your holiday season on a merry note at our annual Christmas Tea, to be held **Thursday, Dec. 3, 1:30 p.m.** Tickets will be on sale during coffee hour after today's worship service. They'll also be available at coffee hour the following two Sundays and 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 array of delicious homemade goodies. If you'd like to bake cookies or otherwise assist with the Tea, please contact Carolyn Rosen at carolyncolorgrdn@aol.com.

Holidays Approaching…..Got Anxiety?: Today at 11:30am, in the Fireside Room. This class with Linda Ikeda will examine some of the reasons for our anxieties/stresses and present some tools for managing them with peaceful hearts as well as the art of "presence". Linda has been a Marriage and Family Therapist for over 30 years with experience in helping others manage trauma, anxiety and stress. She also has 15 years of experience as a Pediatric/NICU RN and has been a pastor's wife for over four decades.

The story of Christ's birth, a short film by The Chosen: Sunday, December 6, 2026, 11:30 a.m. in the Social Hall. A light lunch will be served. We'll watch a heartwarming dramatization of the birth of Jesus. Actors portray Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and others with realism and joy. The film is 42 minutes long and will be followed by a discussion. Please join us for this exceptional depiction of the birth of our Lord. Please rsvp to indicate your interest to help us plan enough seating and food for attendees with the qr-code. The Chosen is a film series about the life of Christ. It is a worldwide sensation bringing the Good News to many people. The video we will watch is part of a special Christmas program which includes musical performances. We will watch only the part about Christ's birth. Please join us for this timely presentation to highlight the Christmas season.

4th/5th Grade Friendsgiving Lunch on Sunday, November 22nd, 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 erin.heath@pclg.org to RSVP and receive further information.

Advent Craft Faire on Sunday, November 29th. 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. We invite you to join in preparing our dinner together. Our Community Life Elders have everything planned for you to join in and help serve. It will be fun, you know how the fun people gravitate to the kitchen at any party! To sign up use this QR code.

Buoys and Gulls, a PCLG Fellowship group, will be attending Theatreworks' performance of Love Notes, Story of Robert and Clara Schuman and Johannes Brahms on Saturday, January 30 at 2 pm, Fox Theatre Redwood City. Group ticket tier prices are $89 (Platinum), $69 (Gold) and $54 (Silver). For more information, go to :https://theatreworks.org/mainstage/love-notes/ If you would like to join us, please email cferree@yahoo.com with the number of tickets and which tier price. Deadline: Sunday, November 23.

Youth Update - Good morning! Today we have a regular Sunday. Our Middle School Sunday School class will meet in the Youth Center following the Passing of the Peace. SNiFF youth group for Middle School meets today at 5 p.m. and our High School youth group will gather tonight at 7:30 p.m. On Sunday, November 22, students are invited to compete for glory in the 3rd Annual Annyong International Tournament of Champions starting at 2 p.m. "Annyong" is PCLG"s most famous homegrown game - pool noodle balloon volleyball. The Love of God (LOG) retreat for High School students is coming up quickly on Dec. 4-6. Join us for a great weekend!!

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

November 19	Interfaith Thanksgiving, Los Gatos Methodist Church 7p.m.
November 22	Pledge Dedication Sunday
November 29	Advent Craft Faire and Supper
December 3	Christmas Tea
December 9	Blue Christmas Service 7:00 p.m.
December 19	College Welcome Brunch
December 24	Christmas Eve Services 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

Recurring Group Meetings

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

WOW *(*Women's Weekly Bible study) Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside room. contact: JHLasher01@gmail.com.

PW Morning Circle *(*Women's Monthly Bible study) Third Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Terraces in the Sunroom, located on the 2nd floor in the Assistant Living area. Contact Ruth Fong (408- 314-2682)

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.

Bookends will be taking a break for the months of November and December. If you would like to get a head start for 2027, January's book is All Creatures Great and Small by James Herriott, February: The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime, Mark Hadon, March: Grapes of Wrath, John Steinbeck, and April: My Dear Hamilton by Stephanie Drey and Laura Kamoie. If you have any questions, please email cferree@yahoo.com.

Sign Language will not be meeting this month. Please join us after church on Sunday, December 13, Room 9 children's wing. All are welcome.
Please contact Charlotte Ferree cferree@yahoo.com for more information.

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.