



Sunday, October 22, 2023

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ethan Fainer

Leader: O God, be gracious to us and bless us,

People: Shine upon us so that your saving power may be known upon earth.

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

People: O God, you care for all the people of the earth.

Leader: Let all the people praise our Mighty God!

HYMN #35

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON

Aylie McGugan

Loving God, Your love never lets us down. You ask us to love you and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Yet, sometimes we don't follow your good ways.

Sometimes we make bad choices that get us into hard places. Sometimes we forget to love others. Forgive us when we're wrong. Help us to grow stronger through your love. We rejoice that no matter where we go or what we do, you always love us and shine brightly in our hearts. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN

SONG OF PRAISE

"Love the Lord your God"
Children and worship band

Brewster

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Theo Watermulder

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Erin Heath

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Graydon Tam

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY

"Come Flood this Heart of Mine"

by David Lantz III

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Timothy 4:9-13

SERMON "I love you very much" Rev. Erica Rader

HYMN "10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)" 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 "Teacher, Which is the Greatest" Fainer and Friends

BENEDICTION Rev. Erica Rader

POSTLUDE

Keep in Your Prayers: Russ Hosfeldt passed, pray for his family. Joy: Pat Garland's 95th birthday Monday. Julie Sebaziga and baby Jules in the NICU. The family of Rex Morton. Kristy Cole. Bob Bowles recovering in hospital. Joanie Brown. Tom Saunders' cousin Kristine passed away, please pray for their family. Mardie Daily. Florence Mock. Nilofer Merchant, recovering from a concussion. Gerry Young. K.J. and Sang Kim. Sharon LeClaire. Gigi McNulty. Barbara Snyder's daughter, Terry, health concerns. Jan Wilson's daughter Kim. Mike Breuleux's niece Amy. Jean Richey. Susan & John Koeker, going through cancer. Tony Bayne kidney transplant waiting list.

Greeters: Eliza Heath, Winston Bevan, Ella Tam, and Marie Bartels
Ushers: Griffin Heath, Lucy Fainer, and Scarlett Smith

Questions for Reflection

1) How would you describe your unique strength, might or "very muchness." How does this connect you to loving God?

2) So far this month, we've considered loving God with our heart, soul, mind, and strength. How do you integrate these together in your total being?

Mission volunteer opportunity: We will be volunteering at Martha's Kitchen on Wednesday October 25th from 3-5pm. If you want to join us please go to the Martha's Kitchen website and sign up. Any questions please contact peggy.heath@gmail.com.

From your mission committee: We are collecting the following items this month for Front Door Communities. New mens underwear sizes M-2xl, New womens underwear sizes 5-11, Towels and Plastic bags like the ones you get at the grocery store We will be collecting on October 21st at the church work day and there will be a bin in the Narthex for your donations. Thank you!

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

Drop in Grove Group Wed November 8 at 7:00 pm in Chapel

We will have a monthly drop in Grove Group for those who want to connect with others as we reflect on our year of growing in grace. Our Grove Group curriculum is designed to invite participants into reflecting on a passage of Scripture, applying it to our lives and connecting with one another. No preparation is required. Everyone is welcome. If you have questions about Grove Groups, please contact Diana Koch kochdiana@gmail.com

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

Grieving a loss is hard no matter the time of year, but the dark days of winter and the holiday season can be especially difficult to navigate. If you would like to gather with others for support, join in a series of 3 drop in grief support group sessions this winter led by Julie Lasher. We will meet once a month on November 10, December 8 and January 5. Each meeting will begin at 2 pm in the Fireside Room. If you have any questions, please contact Julie at julie.lasher@pclg.org.

Bookends Book Club will meet Sunday Oct 29th at 3 p.m. in the Fireside room or on Zoom. Our book is The Last Bookshop in London by Madeline Martin. It's the story of a young woman who moves to London to experience life in the big city. Little does she know WWII looms on the horizon and she will soon be swept into a very different experience than she'd envisioned.

Sign Language Group We are learning sign language through worship songs. We meet on the 2nd/4th Sunday after worship service. The dates are subject to change depending on church events. We are currently working on "**Here I Am, Lord**" and "**Jesus Loves Me**". Our meeting for October will be **today** after worship in Room 9 of the Children's Wing. Questions? Contact Youngla Kwon (younglakwon@yahoo.com).

The PW Morning Circle meets on the third Thursday of each month from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Any questions? Please call Ruth Fong at 408-395-9342 or Pat Garland at 408-307-8436.

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

Youth Happenings Our Youth Ministry offers three regular programs on Sundays for students.

- *Middle School Sunday School* begins after the Time for Young Disciples and meets in the Youth Center until worship ends. This year, we're thinking about and talking through some tough questions. Students are dismissed to find their parents.
- *Sunday Night Fun & Fellowship (SNIFF)* meets from 5 to 6:15 p.m. and is also for Middle School students. Games, quick Bible studies and conversation and more playtime after that!
- *Our High School Youth Group* meets from 7:30 - 9:15 p.m. in the Youth Center. Singing, sharing, sarcasm.

For more upcoming event info, to help out with dinners for volunteers, or just to chat, reach out to Steve Fainer @ 408-472-0208 or fainer@gmail.com.

Dates To Remember

Oct. 22	Kids Lead Worship
Oct. 27 – 29	LOG Youth Retreat
Oct. 29	Pack lunches for Front Door Ministries after worship
Oct. 29	Prayer Practices group meeting in the Chapel at 11:30am
Nov. 16	Los Gatos Interfaith Thanksgiving 7 pm

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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.