



Sunday, January 21, 2024

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Agnus Dei"
"Es ist ein Ros' Entsprungen"
Brass

JP Palestrina
Johannes Brahms

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Smith

Leader: Children of God: welcome!

People: Welcome to this place of love and grace,

Leader: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance

People: God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

Leader: God invites all of us to share in the good news:

People: We come, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

Leader: In gratitude, come, let us worship our God together!

HYMN #610

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

AZMON

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON

Rev. Erica Rader

Holy God, Creator of all that is, Donor of Grace, and Giver of Life:

hear our prayer. There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us from one another and from You. We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow, for fear of admitting our part in the separation, for fear of being rejected when we reach out. You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships, to a wholeness with each other and with You. Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

"King of My Heart"

Worship Band

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Erica Rader

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Erica Rader

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 30:19-21

Nancy Smith

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

OFFERTORY "I am Bound for the Kingdom" arr. by Lloyd
Larson

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

SERMON "Travelogue " Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

HYMN "By Faith" Worship Band

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Mateo Jackson Verduzco Mora,
son of Valeria Verduzco

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Erica Rader

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 #298 (vs 1, 2, 5) "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE "Toot" Raymond David Burkhart
"Ascendit Deus" Jacobus Gallus

Keep in Your Prayers: Prayers for Yu/Yeager family in our neighborhood grieving a tragic death. Bob Bowles. Pat Garland. Cody Scott's Sister, Tyler. Stewart Berkshire passed away. Jeri Hickman, husband of Choe after hospitalization. Jean Richey on hospice. Cindy Decker's Husband Barry, brain tumor. Shirley Swallow recovering after a fall. Sharon LeClaire. Judy Momrow. Kristy Cole. Joanie Brown. Mardie Daily. Florence Mock. Gerry Young. K.J. and Sang Kim. Gigi McNulty. Barbara Snyder's daughter, Terry, health concerns. Jan Wilson's daughter Kim. Mike Breuleux's niece Amy. Tony Bayne kidney transplant waiting list.

Annual Report We will be assembling a video annual report in the coming weeks, and showing it at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 4 after worship. If you have anything you would like included from your ministry area, please send to Carlo Panighetti (carlo@pclg.org) no later than January 24.

Prayer Practices Sunday Today During our season of growing in grace, we are focusing on cultivating new ways to pray. Join us in the chapel as we explore another prayer practice to help expand our conversations with God.

The mission committee invites you to volunteer with us at Martha's Kitchen on Wednesday January 31st at 3:15. Sign up on the Martha's Kitchen website to participate. Any questions email peggy.heath@gmail.com

Your PCLG Mission Committee invites you to volunteer for a meal packing event with Rise Against Hunger on Feb 10 from 9-12 AM in the PCLG Social Hall. We will 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 is a fun event 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: <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/PCLG2/10/24> For Questions: Please call or email Jeff Thompson 408-455-2784 / Jeffsthompson7@gmail.com

Seed Sale Pumpkins and pollinator plants were grown and harvested by the children of PCLG to create a learning experience of growing pumpkins and pollinator plants for the bees and butterflies. After growing and harvesting the pumpkins and sunflowers the children wanted to plan ahead for next year's garden and harvest the seeds and also to sell some seeds to finance their new garden endeavors at PCLG. The seed sale will be today during coffee hour.

Annual Congregational meeting: On Sunday, February 4, we will hold our Annual Congregational Meeting immediately following the Sunday morning service. This is a chance to hear about this past year of PCLG ministry, the 2024 budget, and to vote on the terms of call for Pastor Dave and Pastor Erica. Extended childcare will be provided.

Pancake Breakfast: Do you like breakfast? Want others to have a roof over their heads? Combine your interests on "the best day of the year." The pancake breakfast on January 28. Funding PCLG student missionaries since before Steve or Carlo were born. Join us at 9 or 11:15 am!

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner - February 13, 2024, 5:30 - 7:00pm - Pancakes for Dinner? What is Shrove Tuesday? Shrove Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday. Historically, shrove comes from the word shrive which means "to give absolution after hearing confession" and is a part of Lenten preparations. It was also an opportunity to use up the food that couldn't be eaten during Lent including eggs, fat, and milk, which is why it is also called "Fat Tuesday," or Mardi Gras. To continue our goal of creating community through meals together, we are celebrating Shrove Tuesday in the social hall on **February 13th at 5:30pm** and we hope you will come and join in the fun! We are starting a little early to make it easy for everyone to have some dinner and then get back to their typical evening schedule. Hope to see you there!

Bookends annual book sale returns to our home on the February calendar join us Feb 4th and 11th in the Social Hall during coffee hour proceeds this year will go to Helping Hands for South Sudan we will collect and set up on Saturday Feb 3rd at 11:00

Bookends will meet Saturday Jan 27th at 2pm in the Fireside room or via zoom Our book is The Mapping of Love and Death by local author Jacqueline Winspear it is the first of the Maizie Dobbs mysteries

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

Sign Language Group We are learning sign language through worship songs. We meet on the **1st and 3rd Sunday** after worship service. The dates are subject to change depending on church events. We are starting a new song in the new year, we will have **the first meeting on January 21st, 2024**. 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.

New Members and Inquirers Class Saturday January 27, 2024 9:00 a.m. noon 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: www.pclg.org/membership.

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 meeting.

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

Jan 21	Prayer Practices 11:30 am in the Chapel
Jan 27	New Member Class
Jan 28	Mexico Mission Pancake Breakfast
Feb. 4	Annual Congregational Meeting immediately following worship
Feb 10	Rise Against Hunger Mission Event packing 15,000 meals at PCLG
Feb. 13	Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner
Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday Service, 7pm in the Chapel
Feb 17-24	High School Mexico Mission to Tijuana, Mexico

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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.