

# Sunday, March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday

### **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

PRELUDE "Christ Rising Again" by William Byrd

"Crown Him With Many Crowns" Arr Robert Knox "Easter Fanfare on Llanfair" by Raymond David Burkhart

INTROIT "Risen Today!" by Dan Forrest

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Howard Thomas 9 am

Marlynn Harwood 11 am

Leader; Christ is risen!

People: Chris is risen indeed!

Leader: Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space! Celebrate God in all places

under heaven!

People: Give praise for God's mighty deeds! Give praise for God's

resurrecting power!

Leader: Praise God with music and singing People: Praise God with hearts that are full!

Leader: Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord!

HYMN #232 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" EASTER HYMN

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON Rev. Erica Rader Gracious God, we have heard the good news: that on the third day, Christ rose again. But still, we look for the living among the dead. You rolled away the stone from the tomb, you sent messengers to proclaim the gospel and you have done amazing things! And yet, we remain stuck in our own sins, doubts and fears. Teach us to trust your promise and to believe the good news of the gospel. Christ is alive, Jesus is risen, and we are given new life! Alleluia! Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE "Living Hope" Worship Band

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Erica Rader

### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Erin Heath

Sunday School is offered for elementary school students during the 9 a.m. service.

Nursery care for the littlest ones is available during both services.

#### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

Howard Thomas 9 am Marlynn Harwood 11 am

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY "The Day of Resurrection" arr. by Mary McDonald

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 16:1-8

SERMON "Unfinished Business" Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

HYMN#240 "Alleluia Alleluia!, Give Thanks" ALLELUIA NO. 1

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 #238 "Thine is Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS

BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE "Hallelujah Chorus"

Keep in Your Prayers: Bob Bowles. Roger Heath rehab. Terry Summa,. Rachel Larson recovering from surgery. Nancy Holloman, Emily Barrett. Rosemary Will. Kendra Lewis' father. Carolyn Randall. Pat Garland. Jean Richey. Cindy Decker's Husband Barry. Gail Myers. Shirley Swallow. Sharon LeClaire. Judy Momrow. Kristy Cole. Mardie Daily. Florence Mock. Gerry Young. Gigi McNulty. Barbara Snyder's daughter. Mike Breuleux's niece Amy. Tony Bayne.

<u>All-Church Mexico</u> June 22-29, 2024 All-Church Mexico is back again this summer, and you are invited! This is a great trip for anyone in the PCLG family who wants to grow together, give to others, and have a truly awesome time. Ready to sign up? Check out the online form at <a href="www.pclg.org/mexico">www.pclg.org/mexico</a>. Questions? Concerns? Contact <a href="mexico@pclg.org">mexico@pclg.org</a>. The signup deadline is May 15.

<u>Theology on Tap</u> Tuesday, April 2 from 7-9 p.m. at Hapa's Brewing Company (114 S Santa Cruz Ave, Los Gatos). Please join Pastor Dave and others there for a theological discussion over a frosty beverage. 21+

<u>Ministry Fellows</u> Are you a college student who's ready to lead and wants to serve their church community in ministry? Join us as a Ministry Fellow this Summer at PCLG. Fellows help in worship, mission and children/youth ministries as well as growing under the mentorship of Church staff. Please visit <a href="www.pclg.org">www.pclg.org</a> to view and fill out the application.

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

New Members and Inquirers Class Saturday May 11 2024 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: <a href="mailto:members@pclg.org">members@pclg.org</a>. You can sign up here: https://www.pclg.org/membership/

<u>WoW Women's Bible Study:</u> 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.

MINOW Men's Bible Study is starting the book of Philippians next week. Now would be a great time to join in!! We have a men's study in person in the Fireside Room and via Zoom each Wednesday morning at 6:30 a.m. This group, called MINOW, Men In Need Of Wisdom, is, much like our Presbyterian church, run by its members! We take turns leading the weekly study, and when the current study topic nears completion, together we choose the next. The choice of reading is quite interesting and varied. Please reach out (minow@pclg.org) to be added to the weekly invite. Thanks, Jeff 408-455-2784

<u>Children's Ministry (Infant - 5th grade):</u> 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.

# There will be no Youth Group today for Easter but will resume next Sunday

- 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 <a href="mailto:fainer@gmail.com">fainer@gmail.com</a>.

## **Dates To Remember**

March 31 Easter Services 6:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

April 19-21 Love Of God (LOG) Youth Retreat
May 4-5 Middle School White Water Rafting Trip

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