



Sunday, April 21 2024

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Martha Wills

Leader: The call of Christ is this:

People: Love one another.

Leader: The law and the prophets teach this:

People: Love one another.

Leader: The world calls us to fulfill our desires;

People: Christ commands us to love one another.

Leader: We do this best not just in word or speech,

People: But in truth and action.

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another,

People: For Christ first loved us.

Leader: Come, worship God, for God is love!

HYMN #730

"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

GRAND ISLE

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON

Rev. Erica Rader

Gentle Shepherd, we confess that we have gone astray. We have followed the hired hands. We have listened to the silver tongues that have promised us wealth and power. We have ignored the needs of our fellow sheep and followed our own way. Call us back from the paths that lead to ruin. Call us back to Your green pastures and still waters. Journey with us in the valley of the shadow of death, steering us away from the dead-ends of this world's many paths, and instead into the way that leads to life in You. In the name of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, we pray. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

"Great Are You, Lord"

Worship Band

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Erica Rader

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Erin Heath

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 23

Martha Wills

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

OFFERTORY "I Bring a Heart of Thanks" by Pepper Choplin
DOXOLOGY #606 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH
SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 John 3:16-24
SERMON "The Heart of the Matter" Rev. Dr. David Watermulder
HYMN "One Thing Remains" 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 #250 "Hymn of Promise" PROMISE
BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder
POSTLUDE

Keep in Your Prayers: Jean Richey's family after her passing. Joan Brown is at home. Bob Bowles. Family of Millie Simmons who passed. Roger Heath. Dave Bartels, recovery from gallbladder surgery. Terry Summa, mourning the sudden death of his daughter Terri Lyn. Rachel Larson recovering from surgery. Emily Barrett beginning treatment for pancreatic cancer. Kendra Lewis' father near the end of his life. Carolyn Randall's daughter. Cindy Decker's Husband Barry, brain tumor. Gail Myers. Shirley Swallow. Sharon LeClaire. Judy Momrow. Kristy Cole. Gerry Young. Gigi McNulty. Barbara Snyder's daughter, Terry, health concerns. Mike Breuleux's niece Amy. Tony Bayne kidney transplant waiting list.

All-Church Mexico *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 www.pclg.org/mexico. Questions? Concerns? Contact mexico@pclg.org. The signup deadline is May 15.

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

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.

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: members@pclg.org. You can sign up here:
<https://www.pclg.org/membership/>

Ministry Fellows 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 www.pclg.org to view and fill out the application.

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.

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

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

May 2	PCLG Terraces Luncheon
May 5	Food Packing for Front Door Communities after worship
May 4-5	Middle School White Water Rafting Trip
May 12	Confirmation Sunday
May 19	Pentecost Sunday

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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.