



Sunday, May 5 2024

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE "Come Unto Me"  
"Simple Gifts" by Ray Burkhart  
Arr Douglas Court

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP Kimberly Damore

Leader: The Spirit is coming to bless us all with a new song:

**People: Let our joy be complete!**

Leader: Gifts for the good of all, poured out on all to teach us a new song:

**People: Love one another!**

Leader: Strangers and neighbors, foreigners and family will join in the new song:

**People: No longer servants but friends!**

Leader: Come, let our worship make a joyful noise,

**People: Rejoicing in the friendship of God.**

Leader: Come, let us worship our God today!

HYMN #366 (v 1, 3 & 4) "Love Divine, All Love's Excelling" HYFRYDOL

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON Rev. Erica Rader

**Gracious God, in You there is no east or west, in You there is no south or north. For we are one in You. We are united through Christ as siblings in faith. We confess today that there were times this week when we did not act like we really loved each other. We focused on things we did not like about others. We gave ourselves a pass, while passing judgement on those around us. Forgive us, Lord! Set us free from the prison of self-righteousness. Free us to follow where you lead, in this life and into the life to come. Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE "Stronger" Worship Band

PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Erin Heath

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 John 5:1-6 Kimberly Damore

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING Rev. Erica Rader

OFFERTORY "When He Comes to Our Land" by David Langtz III

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 15:9-17

SERMON "The Axe Handle" Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: Rev. Dr. David Watermulder  
Rev. Erica Rader

THE INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

"The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is good to give God thanks and praise."**

THE PRAYER OF PREPARATION

THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION HYMN #507 "Come to the Table of Grace" TABLE OF GRACE

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 "The Blessing" Worship Band

BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE "Las Abuelitas"  
"La Chica Macha" by Chris Nalls  
From Ladies of Spain

**Keep in Your Prayers:** Family and friends of Roger Heath after his passing. Jeff Yergler. Bruce Rowlinson, recovering from heart procedure. Jean Richey's family after her passing. Bob Bowles. Collette Lynner's Husband Doug. Terri Lyn. Rachel Larson. Gerry Young, recovering from surgery. Emily Barrett beginning treatment for pancreatic cancer. Kendra Lewis' father passed away. Carolyn Randall's daughter. Cindy Decker's Husband Barry, brain tumor. Gail Myers. Shirley Swallow. Sharon LeClaire. Judy Momrow. Kristy Cole. 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](http://www.pclg.org/mexico). Questions? Concerns? Contact [mexico@pclg.org](mailto: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.

**Mission Committee** Mission opportunity. We will be volunteering at Martha's Kitchen on Wednesday May 15th from 3:15-5:15. If you are interested in joining us, go to the [Marthas-kitchen.org](http://Marthas-kitchen.org) to sign up. If you have any questions please contact [peggy.heath@gmail.com](mailto:peggy.heath@gmail.com)

**Sign Language Group** We are learning sign language through worship songs. We meet on the **1st and 3rd Sunday** after worship service at Room 9 in Children's Wing. The dates are subject to change depending on church events. For May and June 2024, there are some changes in the schedule and we will be meeting on May 5, May 12 (Mother's day) and June 2. Questions? Contact Youngla Kwon ([younglakwon@yahoo.com](mailto: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.

**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](mailto:members@pclg.org). You can sign up here: <https://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](mailto:JHLasher01@gmail.com) for info on our in person meeting.

**Theology on Tap** Tuesday, May 7 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+

**Global Fellowship: Life & Lesson** May 19, Pentecost Sunday, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. Potluck lunch with presentations, sharing diverse backgrounds and life journeys of presenters, including Grace Crites, who will share about her recent class trip to Taiwan. We welcome all people! Please RSVP using Sign-up Genius on Wednesday's church email. Early registration will be very helpful in organizing the event ahead! If you have questions, reach out to Choe Hickman! [choehickman@gmail.com](mailto:choehickman@gmail.com) 408.691.4018.

**Prayer Shawl and Sophia's layette** knitting, crochet. Fridays 3-5pm in the Fireside Room. Questions ? Call Colleen Hattman 408-398-0651.

**Stephen Ministry** Families can be challenging. Few families resemble the 1950's sitcom or a Hallmark card. Mother's Day and Father's Day are around the corner. These days can evoke thoughts, emotions and memories. Ready to talk? Your Stephen Minister is ready and waiting to listen

**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@pclq.org](mailto:erin.heath@pclq.org)

**Sunday School Volunteers** We are blessed with a growing Children's Ministries program and we are looking for more volunteers to fill our classrooms. If you are interested in being a loving adult in the lives of the children of our church, please contact Erin Heath, Children's Ministries Director, at [erin.heath@pclq.org](mailto:erin.heath@pclq.org).

**Bookends** The book is The Girls Who Stepped Out of Line by Major General Mari K. Eder. Each chapter tells the story of a courageous woman who performed selfless feats in service for her country. For safety's sake, many of these stories could not be shared until decades later. Some of these women worked as spies, some were involved in code breaking. Please join us in the Fireside room Saturday May 18 at 3pm or zoom in

**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](mailto:fainer@gmail.com).

### **Dates To Remember**

May 5	Food Packing for Front Door Communities after worship
May 4-5	Middle School White Water Rafting Trip
May 11	New Member Class
May 11	Roger Heath's Memorial 3 pm
May 12	Confirmation Sunday
May 19	Pentecost Sunday
June 2	Adult Ed Lunch & Study: Hope for Anxious Christians
June 9	Adult Ed Lunch & Study: Hope for Depressed Christians

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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.*