

Sunday, January 5, 2025

## GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE	"Meditation on 'Morning Star'" "When Morning Gilds the Skies	, , ,		
WELCOME & ANNOUNCE	MENTS	Rev. Dr. David Watermulder		
CALL TO WORSHIP		Gene Caselli		
Leader: Come, let us praise our God and Creator, <b>People: who has given us every spiritual blessing in Christ.</b> Leader: Come, let us praise Christ our savior, <b>People: who has redeemed us by the riches of God's grace.</b> Leader: Come, let us praise the Spirit, <b>People: who marks us as beloved heirs of God.</b> Leader: Come with wisdom and understanding; <b>People: let us hope in Christ together!</b> Leader: Come, let us worship Almighty God today!				
HYMN #151	"We Three Kings"	KINGS OF ORIENT		
PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON Rev. Erica Rader Gracious and loving God, gather us in today. We are your children who often run and hide, we are sometimes ashamed, afraid, or apathetic. We confess that we have traded your peace for the illusion of control. We have traded your promises for attempts at human certainty. Forgive us and show us your abundant mercy; may it flow over us, making us clean and renewing our souls. In Christ we pray. Amen.				
SONG OF PRAISE	"Shine Jesus Shine"	Worship Band		
PASSING OF THE PEACE	Rev. Erica Rader			
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Erin Heath		
PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD				
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINAT	ION			
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Psalm 147:12-20	Gene Caselli		

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

Rev. Erica Rader

OFFERTORY	"Light	"Light of the World" W		Worship Band
DOXOLOGY #606	"Praise God From	Whom All Blessing	s Flow"	OLD HUNDREDTH
SCRIPTURE LESS	ON Math	new 2:1-12		
SERMON	"All Peop	le May Come"	Rev. Dr.	David Watermulder
SACRAMENT OF T	HE LORD'S SUPP	ER:	Rev. Dr.	David Watermulder Rev. Erica Rader
Let us give th	with you. <b>with you.</b>			
THE PRAYER O	F PREPARATION			
THE WORDS OF	THE INSTITUTIO	N		
THE DISTRIBUTION OF BREAD AND CUP				
COMMUNION HYM	N #110 "Love	e Has Come"		Worship Band
PRAYERS OF THE	PEOPLE & THE LO	ORD'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 #105 (vs 1,5)	) "Peo	ple Look East"		Besançon
BENEDICTION			Rev. Dr.	David Watermulder
POSTLUDE	"Another	Year Is Dawning"	arr	. by Mary McDonald

**Keep in Your Prayers:** Mary Jane Bender's family after her passing. Tom Smith and family after the passing of Mildred. The family of Jan black after her passing. Chris Bollinger recovering from emergency surgery. Health concerns for Rita's parents. Family of Mardie Dailey. Carolyn Randall on the passing of her daughter. GFP director Vanessa's mom Elvira health concerns. Gigi McNulty. Kristy Cole. Emily Barrett. The Bierly/Shaw families. Julie Clausen's cousin Tyler. Rachel Larsen. Tony Bayne. Gail Myers. Shirley Swallow. Sharon LeClaire. Judy Momrow. Barbara Snyder's daughter, Terry. Rosemary Will.

<u>Sunday School Volunteer Training!</u> Have you considered signing up to volunteer as a Sunday School teacher but wasn't sure what it entailed? Join us for a special Sunday School Volunteer Training to equip and inspire you for this important ministry. Whether you're a seasoned teacher or just getting started, this session will provide helpful tools, a run through of what happens in Sunday School, the types of lessons covered, and a time to answer any questions. Lunch included! Date: Sunday, Jan. 12 | Time: 11:30-12:30 | Location: Fireside Room. Let's grow together in serving our children and sharing God's love!

<u>Sunday School Volunteers</u> 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@pclg.org.

<u>Pledges</u> Thank you to those who have sent their pledge in. It's not too late to turn in your pledge. You can go online to make your pledge <u>https://www.pclg.org/pledge</u>

<u>Company Matching Program</u> – Did you know your workplace could help amplify the impact of your giving? Many employers offer matching gift programs as part of their commitment to community support and charitable giving. This is a simple and effective way to double the impact of your generosity and further support the Mission Committee, which uses the matching funds to support various needs throughout our community. Check to see if your employer offers matching gifts and complete any required forms! Let us know if you need assistance or documentation about our nonprofit status.

<u>New Members and Inquirers Class</u> Saturday Feb 1, 2025 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.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. We'll talk about what it means to focus on Jesus at our core, 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. At the end of our class, some of the Elders of the church will join us and we will talk about what it means to officially join PCLG. The following day, Sunday February 2, we will be welcoming all our new members during Sunday worship. Go to our website at <u>https://www.pclg.org/</u> to sign up.

<u>Theology on Tap</u> Tuesday, January 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+

<u>Church Lock up Team</u> Are you interested in helping to lockup the Church on Sundays after services and activities? Please contact Ben Fong at benf\_1@yahoo.com or talk with me at Church.

**Growing Footprints Preschool is now Enrolling!** Did you know that the PCLG has a preschool and afterschool program right here on campus? We are now enrolling, and have a full time space available in our two year old program which boasts an incredible ratio of 1 to 6. We also have a full time space and few 3 day spaces available in our 3 year old classroom that has a 1 to 8 ratio. We have two 5 day slots in our afterschool program.

We are now accepting applications and giving tours for Summer Camp, and our 2025-2026 school year for preschool and afterschool programs. For more information and to contact us, please visit our website at <u>www.growingfootprints.org</u> or visit our instagram at growing\_footprints\_preschool to see the kind of activities our little friends are up to.

<u>Would you like to read the scripture in church?</u> Each week, we have a different person read the scripture during the worship service. If you are interested in doing this, please contact Mary Jane Humphrey, maryjhumphrey@comcast.net.

<u>Come Sing With Us</u> If you love music and sharing your gifts with others, come join the Choir. Rehearsals are on Thursday nights at 7pm. For information contact Michael Taylor at michael.taylor@pclg.org.

<u>Pastor's Bible Study</u> Join Pastor Dave for a mid-week study each Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Fireside Room. We will take a 2 week break and **return on Wednesday**, Jan. 8th

**Nursery Caretaker-** Children's Ministries is in need of a regular nursery caretaker on Sunday mornings from 9:30-11:30am. This is a paid position with an opportunity for additional hours during special events. If you know anyone who is interested, please have them contact Erin Heath at erin.heath@pclg.org.

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

<u>The Worship Band</u> is happy to welcome any musicians who enjoy playing guitar, bass, drums or singing. Please feel free to contact Rita@pclg.org for more information. Or find me on a Sunday morning. Blessings, Rita

<u>The PW Morning Circle</u> The Thursday morning Bible study will be meeting at the Terraces. We meet once a month on the third Thursday of the month at 10:15 am in the 2nd floor Conference Room. Any questions? contact Ruth Fong at 1(408) 395-9342 or ru.fong@comcast.net.

**MINOW Men's Bible Study**: We have a men's study in person in the Fireside Room and via Zoom each Wednesday at 6:30 AM. This group is called MINOW, "Men In Need of Wisdom" and is much like our Presbyterian Church where it is run by its members. We trade off leading the study week by week. We just started the book of Genesis, so now is a good time to join. Please reach out to <u>minow@pclg.org</u> to be added to the weekly email invite.

**Sign Language Group** We are learning sign language through worship songs. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sunday after worship service in Room 9 in Children's Wing. The dates are subject to change depending on church events Anyone who loves signing can come. Now is the best time to join the group as we are going to go over basic signs and alphabet/numbers. Come and join us! Questions? Contact Youngla Kwon (youngla0707@gmail.com).

## Youth Update

Happy New Year! This Sunday we're starting the year off right, with a "regular" Sunday.

Middle School Sunday School in the Youth Center during worship this morning. Middle School SNiFF from 5 to 6:15 p.m. this evening. High School YG from 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. tonight!

**Children's Ministry** (Infant -5th grade):Welcome Families! On Sundays our Nursery is available for children and infants at the beginning of worship. Preschool-1st grade will meet in our Preschool Ministry Wing and 2nd-5th grade will meet in our Children's Ministry Wing. 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, at <u>erin.heath@pclg.org</u>.

<u>**Giving Online</u>** Please visit www.pclg.org/online-giving, or use this QR code, to access our online giving tools. You can give a one-time gift or set up a recurring gift.</u>



## Dates To Remember

Jan. 7	Theology on Tap
Jan. 26	Pancake Breakfast Sunday
Feb. 1	Inquirers/New Members class 9 am

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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.