



Sunday October 4, 2026
World Communion Sunday

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Souvenir"
"Blessed Assurance"
Kirim Eom

by Marcel Dupré
arr. by Dan Miller

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sue Ann Peng

Leader: People will come from East and West

People: They will come from North and South

Leader: To sit down together at the table

People: We gather around the table of grace today

Leader: Come, let us worship our God together!

HYMN #318

"In Christ There is No East or West"

ST. PETER

PRAYER of CONFESSION & ASSURANCE of PARDON

Rev. Erica Rader

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. We look at a world undone by strife, torn by violence, separated by hatred. Yet you call us to walk the way of peace. Forgive us, O Lord, for refusing to follow you on this path because the cost is too high, the direction too confusing, the conditions too harsh. Forgive us our complacency. Grant us clarity of vision to see the light, and the strength to walk behind you. In the power of your Spirit we pray, Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

"10,000 Reasons"

Worship Band

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Erica Rader

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 41:14-24

Sue Ann Peng

THE WORSHIP OF GOD THROUGH GIVING

Rev. Erica Rader

OFFERTORY

"This Is My Word"
The Chancel Choir

by Pepper Choplin

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 41:25-36

SERMON

"The Goal Keeper"

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 MUSIC #525 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

"The Table"

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

"The Way"

Worship Band

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. David Watermulder

POSTLUDE

"Someone's Singing, Lord (Kum Ba Yah)" arr. by John A. Behnke

Keep in Your Prayers: Kristy Cole's family. Suzie Hansen. Sharon LeClaire. Michael Taylor. Gary Kuhn. Liz Alves and family. Nilofer Merchant's sister Rukhsana. Jean Lusk. Tami and Gerry Young health concerns. Audrey Christianson. Tony Bayne, upgraded to active list for transplant. Emily Barrett. Mary Smith. Beth Barry. Joan Brown. Patty Kelly. Eleanor Gallmeister. Judy Momrow. Mikal Cox, nephew of Jack Longley, continued recovery.

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Inklings Group for New(er) Believers Are you new in your Christian faith? Are you still exploring what it means to follow Jesus? Are you drawn to faith, but not sure what it means? Join us for the Inklings, a gathering for faith formation, honest questions and mentoring through PCLG. Meet us after worship today in the Creekside lounge. Light refreshments included.

Women's Retreat November 6-8, 2026. Our registration opens today! Join us for a time of learning, friendship and formation as we seek to support one another in our journey with God. More information can be found in our registration packet. Full or partial Scholarships are available please contact Pastor Erica at erica.rader@pclg.org. Registration will close October 26 or when the retreat is full.

Theology on Tap Tuesday, October 6 Theology on Tap 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+

Mission Committee On Sunday October 11th in the Social hall after worship, your mission committee along with our partner HomeFirst invites you to help us put together hygiene kits for our local unhoused brothers and sisters. We will make 300 of them. No previous experience needed. HomeFirst works to end homelessness by providing a full spectrum of services to help people find and maintain permanent housing. HomeFirst serves thousands of individuals and families each year throughout Santa Clara County, providing shelter, housing assistance, outreach, and other supportive services.

Parenting Class: Relationships & Reducing Power Struggles

Oct. 18th, 11:30am-1pm in the Social Hall. Please join us after church for lunch and conversation led by PCLG member, Valerie Plummer, Individual and Family Life Coach and Parent Education Consultant. When a parent expresses empathy in response to a child's mistake, or misbehavior, it lowers a child's defensiveness, helps the child take ownership of the problem and enhances the relationship. It opens the brain and heart for learning so that he or she can develop future skills in problem solving self-awareness and empathy toward others. This Love and Logic® workshop will give practical tools for parents to build loving relationships with their children while reducing common power struggles and allowing affordable mistakes, so that real learning takes place and children can grow to be healthy, balanced and successful adults. Childcare is available in the Preschool wing. Signups are helpful for planning food and can be found at the QR code to the right.



Community Life invites anyone interested in serving to join us for a brief meeting on Sunday, October 11, after church in the Fireside Room. We'll share about upcoming opportunities to serve in the coming months and ways you can get involved. We'd love to have you join us! You can contact Lauren Froman at lomfroman@yahoo.com

Mission Committee The mission committee invites you to volunteer for a fun, meal packing event with Rise Against Hunger on Sat, Oct 24 from 9-12 AM in the PCLG Social Hall. We will again 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 will be similar to past events 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: <https://act.riseagainsthunger.org/event/e813411> For Questions: Please call or email Jeff Thompson 408-455-2784 Jeffsthompson7@gmail.com

Buoys and Gulls is a long standing PCLG fellowship group. Our upcoming activities include an October wine tasting event at a local winery; a December Christmas party; a January Theatre Works performance, a Super Bowl party to hopefully cheer on the 49ers, and more. This group is geared toward those 60-something and above. We will have a table set up during coffee hour after church on Sunday, October 4. Stop by to chat and find out more about our group.

Choir Do you sing in the shower? The Choir needs you! Thursdays, 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the choir room. Contact Danielle (danielle@pclg.org) for more info (or just show up this Thursday!).

Bell Choir Can you clap a rhythm? The Bell Choir needs you! Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30p.m. in the sanctuary. Contact Ruthanne ruthanne.adamsmartinez@gmail.com for more info.

Worship Band Do you know the difference between a verse, chorus, bridge, and a tag? Can you read a chord chart and sing or play an instrument? The worship band needs you! Contact Rita rita.hoegel@pclg.org for more info.

Children's Choir is back! All children K through 6th grade are invited to come sing with us! We'll meet weekly on Sundays from 11:30am–12:00pm in the Wonderful Room (Pre-School Wing), beginning September 13 through October 18, as the children prepare to lead worship this Reformation Sunday. Come sing and have fun as we share our gifts and joy with our church family—no prior choir experience necessary!

Youth Update Good morning! There is no Sunday School today because it is the first Sunday of the month and a communion Sunday. Middle School students can sit in the balcony if they would like. Sunday Night Fun and Fellowship (SNiFF) for Middle School and High School Youth Group (YG) are both meeting as usual — SNiFF from 5 to 6:15 p.m. and YG from 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. tonight

Children's Ministry (Infant -5th grade) Welcome Families! On a typical Sunday, our Nursery is available for children and infants at the beginning of worship. Preschool-1st grade will meet in our Preschool Ministry "Wonderful Wing" and 2nd-5th grade will meet in our Children's Ministry "Wilderness 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 erin.heath@pclg.org.

Dates To Remember

October 11	Hygiene Kit Mission Project Social Hall 11:15am
October 17	Kristy Cole Memorial 2:00 p.m.
October 24	Rise Against Hunger Food Packing
November 6-8	Women's Retreat

Recurring Group Meetings

Pastor's Bible Study – Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in the Fireside room.

WOW (Women's Weekly Bible study) Thursdays at 10:00 am in the Fireside room.
contact: JHLasher01@gmail.com.

PW Morning Circle (Women's Monthly Bible study) Third Thursday of each month from 10:00 am to noon at the Terraces in the Sunroom, located on the 2nd floor in the Assistant Living area. Contact Ruth Fong (408- 314-2682)

Book Ends (Monthly Book Club): Our October book is *The Covenant Keepers, A Historical Novel Based on a True Story* published in 2026 written by our own PCLG member Andrea L. Simpson. It is the true story of the young Presbyterian missionary eye doctor to China's Empress Dowager who must escape with his wife and three little sons during the infamous Boxer Rebellion of 1900 and be guided by true escapes of his Scots Covenanter and French Huguenot ancestors in 1681. We will meet Sunday, October 25 at 2:30 pm in the Fireside Room with a zoom option. Please join us for some chocolate macadamia nuts candy, Q & A's, and book signing by the author. Please email cferree@yahoo.com for the zoom link.

MINOW Men's Bible Study MINOW (Men In Need Of Wisdom) is a Men's Weekly Bible Study held on Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. And we are also on Zoom, if you can't make it to PCLG in the early morning. There is always room for more men at the table so please reach out to minow@pclg.org to be added to the weekly email invite.

Sign Language Group meets on the second and fourth Sundays of the month after church for snacks and sign language practice, 12 pm, Room 9, Children's wing. All are welcome. Please contact Charlotte Ferree cferree@yahoo.com or Collette Lynner collette.lynnner@gmail.com for more information.

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