### Our Mission

Christ Church exists to lead people into a deeper relationship with Christ and His Church, through community, for the city.

### Connect to Christ Church

We are so happy you are worshiping with us and would love to connect with you! We invite you to the side yard immediately after the service for coffee hour.

**If you are new**, please complete the Connect Card in the pew rack and give the card to Pastor Andrew. Visit the Welcome Table in the foyer or our website, christchurcheastbay.org, to learn more about our church.

### **Worship Arts Opportunities**

Do you sing or play an instrument? Are you interested in participating on our Sunday worship teams? Please contact our Worship Arts director Eric Gilbert (eric@christchurcheastbay.org) for more information.

### **Christ Church Kids & Youth**

Come to the check-in table in the entrance of the Sanctuary for information on our wonderful programs and childcare for our toddlers, kids and youth on Sundays, and more!

# **Upcoming Events & Announcements**

### **Gospels Reading Plan - Join Us!**

It's not too late to start reading through the Gospels, the ancient biographical pictures of Jesus of Nazareth. Let's read and get to know Him together! Schedule and resources can be found at the Welcome Table and at christchurcheastbay.org/worship.

#### Week 8 - February 19

Sunday - Luke 3 Thursday - Luke 8

Monday - Luke 4 Friday - Luke 9

Tuesday - Luke 5 Saturday - Catch-up day

Wednesday - Luke 6

### \* Ash Wednesday Supper & Service This Wednesday, February 22, 6 pm Dinner, 7 pm Service

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the season of Lent, a time for self-examination and spiritual renewal, reminding us of Jesus' 40 days of fasting and temptation in the wilderness. On Ash Wednesday, we prayerfully meditate on the Scriptures and Jesus' teachings, and we are marked with a cross made with ashes. There will be childcare for infants and toddlers and programing for children through grade 5.

### **Wednesday Fasting and Prayer During Lent**

We invite you to a day of fasting and prayer on Wednesdays during Lent. Fast one meal or the whole day. Pray during that meal time for the revival of our souls, church, city, and world. Give to others what you would have spent on food. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled" (Matthew 5:6).

### Foster the City Interest Meeting in Oakland Saturday, February 25, 9-10:30 am, Oakland City Church

To learn more about how you can make a difference for children and families in your community, RSVP for an upcoming Interest Meeting at fosterthecity.org/rsvp.

### \* 6-Week Women's Group Fridays, 6:15-9:00 pm at the home of Terry Kochi

Christ Church women: Do you want to fellowship with other women and grow together as disciples of Christ? Join Tonia Roby and Terry Kochi for dinner and a study of *The Rock, the Road and the Rabbi* by Kathy Lee Gifford and Rabbi Jason Sobel. Find out more on the \* Events and Groups pages or email tlrkochi@gmail.com.

### \* Prayer Vigil for Revival Friday, March 3, 6:00 am-6:00 pm, Sanctuary

Come and pray for an hour, seeking the Lord for revival of our church, our community, our world and, of course, our own souls. \* Sign up for a one-hour slot between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Prayer guides will be provided.

# Opportunities to Serve Our Neighbors Saturday, March 11

### \* Loaves and Fishes, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Meet in the church kitchen with Bill Barnes to make and serve lunches to our unhoused neighbors.

### Project Peace Day of Service, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Go to projectpeaceeastbay.org to sign up for a morning at Harbor House or elsewhere.

# Women's Health: Putting YOUR Oxygen Mask on First Saturday, March 11, 9:30-11:30 am

Join us for a fun morning of learning with Dr. Cheruba Prabakar, a member of Christ Church and an OB-GYN, who will lead a discussion of the top five things that women can do to optimize their health, especially at 40 and beyond. For more information, visit the \*Events page or email Maria Francis (maria@christchurcheastbay.org). All women welcome!

### \* Support Relief Efforts in Turkey and Syria

On February 6, two massive earthquakes hit Turkey and Syria. Over 40,000 people have died, and the damage to infrastructure has been catastrophic. If you'd like to donate to help support relief efforts, please consider donating to World Relief, a Christian organization that is recommended by our denomination, the EPC. Use the QR code below or visit worldrelief.org.

\* Register and see details for events marked by an asterisk by using the Church Center app or this QR code:





Sunday, February 19, 2023 Transfiguration Sunday **10:30 am** 

# Gathering

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, If, with His love, He befriends thee.

#### Chorus

Hallelujah, Hallelujah! Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen sound from His people again; Gladly for ever adore Him.

#### "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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# Call to Worship - Psalm 48

Great is the Lord, and most worthy of praise, in the city of our God, His holy mountain.

As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the Lord Almighty,

in the city of our God:
God makes her secure forever.
Within Your temple, O God,
we meditate on Your unfailing love.

Your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; Your right hand is filled with righteousness. For this God is our God for ever and ever; He will be our guide even to the end.

# Build My Life

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing, Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring, Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe, We live for You! We live for You!

Jesus, the name above ev'ry other name, Jesus, the only one who could ever save, Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe, We live for You! We live for You!

#### Chorus

Holy! There is no one like You! There is none beside You! Open up my eyes in wonder.

Show me who You are, and fill me with Your heart, And lead me in Your love to those around me.

#### Bridg

I will build my life upon Your love — it is a firm foundation. I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken.

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# Prayer & Confession

Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow Me."

Let us together confess our sin against God and neighbor: Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in Your loving-kindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence, or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silence is kept for private confession of sin

## Assurance of Pardon

Hear, receive, and rest by faith upon the promises of God to all those who repent of their sins and trust in Jesus Christ alone for all their confidence before God:

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

(Ephesians 2:8-9)

Thanks be to God.

# Passing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** 

\*Children are dismissed at this time.

# We Sing Glory (Gloria Patri)

Glory to You our heavenly Father, And to the Son, our Savior and King. We lift up Your name, most Holy Spirit, Forever let Your people sing. Now and forever Your church will sing:

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#### Refrain

Glory to You from the first to the last, Unto the ages and ages, Amen. Alpha, Omega, now and forever, World without end, Amen, Amen.

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# The Lord's Word

# Gospel Lesson

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

Mt 16:13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" 14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets. 15 "But what about you?" He asked. "Who do you say I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." 17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood but by My Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." 20 Then He ordered His disciples not to tell anyone that He was the Messiah. 21 From that time on Jesus began to explain to His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that He must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. 22 Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" 23 Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to Me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns." 24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, "Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow Me. 25 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for Me will find it. 26 What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? 27 For the Son of Man is going to come in His Father's glory with His angels, and then He will reward each person according to what they have done. 28 Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.** 

\*Please be seated

# Teaching

Series: The Charter of the Kingdom Title: I Will Build My Church Preacher: Rev. Jonathan St. Clair

# Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Let us offer our thanks to God, and ourselves to His service. Most merciful God, whose hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us, we pray, ever thankful for Your loving providence; and grant that we might be faithful stewards of Your great blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart. Naught be all else to me save that Thou art. Thou my best thought by day or by night; Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word. I ever with Thee, and Thou with me, Lord. Thou my great Father, Thy child may I be; Thou in me dwelling, and I one with Thee.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise. Thou mine inheritance, now and always. Thou and Thou only, first in my heart; High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun. Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Ancient Irish hymn attributed to Dallan Forgaill, 8th century

# The Lord's Supper

Let us confess our faith from the Apostle's Creed.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

Lift up your hearts! We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Preface (Prayer of Praise)

(Sung)

Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory,
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!

## He Took, Blessed, and Broke

Words of Institution

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. **Therefore, let us keep the feast.** 

### He Gave

Invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.** 

### Here is Love

Here is love, vast as the ocean, Loving-kindness as the flood, When the Prince of Life, our Ransom, Shed for us His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten Throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion
Fountains opened deep and wide;
Through the floodgates of God's mercy
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers,
Poured incessant from above,
And heaven's peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love.

Here is love, that conquered evil, Christ, the firstborn from the grave. Death has failed to found equal To the life of Him who saves. In the valley of our darkness Dawned His everlasting light. Perfect love in glorious radiance Has repelled death's hellish night. That same love, beyond all measure, Mocked and slain by scornful men, Lives and reigns in resurrection And can never die again.
Here is love for all the ages:
Radiant Sun of Heav'n He stands, Calling home His Father's children, Holding forth His wounded hands.

Here is love, vast as the heavens: Countless as the stars above Are the souls that He has ransomed, Precious daughters, treasured sons. We are called to feast forever On a love beyond our time. Glorious Father, Son, and Spirit, Now with us are intertwined.

Words: William Rees, 1855; Music: Robert Lowry, 1876

### Mission Moment

And now as our Savior taught us, so we pray:
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power,

## Psalm 23 (I Am Not Alone)

The Lord is my Shepherd, He goes before me, Defender behind me; I won't fear. I'm filled with anointing, my cup's overflowing, No weapon can harm me; I won't fear.

and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### Chor

Hallelujah! I am not alone. He's my comfort, always holds me close.

He always guides me through mountains and valleys. His joy is refreshing, restores my soul. Mercy and goodness give me assurance That I'll see Your glory face to face.

#### Bridg

Your Spirit lives within me, so I will walk in Your peace. Your Spirit lives within me: my vict'ry! My vict'ry!

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# Blessing and Sending

Let us go in the name of Christ to love and serve the world. **Thanks be to God.** 

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