

## Connect to Christ Church

We are so happy you are worshipping with us and would love to connect with you! Stop by the welcome table in the foyer for information or prayer, and we invite you to the side yard after the service for coffee hour.

If you are new, please complete the Connect Card in the pew rack and give the card to a pastor. Visit [christchurcheastbay.org](http://christchurcheastbay.org) for more information.

### Like our music?

Check us out on Spotify (Christ Church East Bay), YouTube (Christ Church East Bay Music), Apple Music (Christ Church East Bay), or Bandcamp ([christchurch.bandcamp.com](http://christchurch.bandcamp.com)).

### 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

### No Porch Concert Today

We hope to reschedule in 2023.

### Worship Arts Opportunities

- Do you sing or play an instrument? Are you interested in participating on our Sunday worship teams?
- Would you like to participate in our choir October 2? We will have a short listening session today following the service, and a rehearsal next week 12:00-1:00p.

Please speak to or email our Worship Arts director Eric Gilbert ([eric@christchurcheastbay.org](mailto:eric@christchurcheastbay.org)) for either of these opportunities.

### \* Wonderful Wednesdays

#### September 21, 6:00-8:00 pm, Community Hall

Join us at church for dinner, teaching, and fellowship for all ages on the first three Wednesdays of each month. (No gathering Sept. 28 — see you on October 5!) Please \* register by the Monday before Wonderful Wednesday gathering so we can plan for food and childcare (by tomorrow for this week).

### \* Women Reading Women

#### Tomorrow - Monday, September 19, 7:00 pm

We're reading *The Weight of All Things* by Sandra Benitez this month and welcome the women of Christ Church for an evening of great conversation and encouraging fellowship. See details on the \*Events page.

### GriefShare

#### Tuesdays beginning September 27, 7:00 pm, Zoom

Open to anyone who has had a loss of a friend, relative, or colleague either recently or long ago. This is a 13-week program of excellent videos, workbook, and a friendly caring group of people to walk together with through one of life's most difficult experiences. Aimed at helping each other face the challenge of grief and moving toward rebuilding our lives. Please email [jayne@christchurcheastbay.org](mailto:jayne@christchurcheastbay.org).

### Breakfast Bible Bunch Returns October 2

#### Three Sundays a month, 9:15-10:15 am, Community Hall

The Breakfast Bible Bunch, led by Sam Vandervelde and Eunice Cheung, opens with breakfast and fellowship, followed by a study in our topic of the month. In October we'll spend time on the twin themes of Atonement and Redemption (Oct. 2, 9, 16); then wrap up the fall with a trio of parables (Nov. 6, 13, 20). Our purpose is to strengthen community and seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness through intentional study of the Bible. Reach out to [sam.vandervelde@proton.me](mailto:sam.vandervelde@proton.me) with questions or ideas.

### \* Loaves and Fishes: Serving Our Unhoused Neighbors

#### Saturday, October 8, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

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

### \* CCKids Service Project

#### Saturday, October 8, 2:00-4:00 pm

Service project for kids 8+ yrs making bags of dried food to feed kids in Ukraine and other war-torn countries. See details and register on the \*Events page.

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



## Gathering

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

### Refrain

On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale,  
My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood  
Support me in the whelming flood.  
When all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
O may I then in Him be found;  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne.

### "Solid Rock"

Words: Edward Mote, 1834; Music: William Bradbury, 1863

## Call to Worship - Psalm 36

Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
Your faithfulness to the skies.

Your righteousness is like the highest mountains,  
Your justice like the great deep.

How priceless is Your unfailing love, O God!  
People take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.  
They feast on the abundance of Your house;  
You give them drink from Your river of delights.

For with You is the fountain of life;  
in Your light we see light.

## The Kingdom Is Yours

Blessed are the ones who do not bury  
All the broken pieces of their heart.  
Blessed are the tears of all the weary,  
Pouring like a sky of falling stars.

Blessed are the wounded ones in mourning,  
Brave enough to show the Lord their scars.  
Blessed are the hurts that are not hidden,  
Open to the healing touch of God.

### Chorus

The Kingdom is yours, the Kingdom is yours.  
Hold on a little more, this is not the end.  
Hope is in the Lord, keep your eyes on Him.

Blessed are the ones who walk in kindness,  
Even in the face of great abuse.  
Blessed are the deeds that go unnoticed,  
Serving with unguarded gratitude.

Blessed are the ones who fight for justice,  
Longing for the coming day of peace.  
Blessed is the soul that thirsts for righteousness,  
Welcoming the last, the lost, the least.

Blessed are the ones who suffer violence,  
And still have strength to love their enemies.  
Blessed is the faith of those who persevere;  
Though they fall, they'll never know defeat.

Words & Music: Aaron Keyes, Brittney Spencer, Dee Wilson & Micah Massey  
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## Prayer and Confession

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."

Let us confess our sin against God and neighbor:

**God of everlasting love, we confess that we have been unfaithful in our relationship with You and with each another. We have worshiped other gods: money, power, greed, and convenience. We have served our own interests instead of serving You and Your people. We have not loved our neighbor as You have commanded, nor have we rightly loved ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness of our relationship with You and each another. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Silence is kept for private confession and petition.

## 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:

But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. 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. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

(Ephesians 2:4-5, 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.

## Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, glory be to the Son,

Glory be to the Spirit, Three in One.

As it was in the beginning,

It will be forever, Amen. Amen. Amen.

From “**Gloria Patri**” (3rd c. Christian text); Music: Karl Digerness ©2009 City Church SF Music

# The Lord’s Word

## New Testament Lesson

*A reading from Paul’s letter to the Philippians:*

**Phil 3:7** But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. **8** Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ **9** and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— **10** that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and may share His sufferings, becoming like Him in his death, **11** that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. **12** Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me His own. **13** Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, **14** I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

\*Please be seated.

## Teaching

**Sermon Series:** Revive Us!

**Title:** Longing for an Experience of God

**Preacher:** Rev. Andrew Ong

# 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.**

*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,**

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

## He Gave

Invitation

*The gifts of God for the people of God.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross,

On which the Prince of Glory died,

My richest gain I count but loss

And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord that I should boast,

Save in the death of Christ my God.

All the vain things that charm me most,

I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,

sorrow and love flow mingled down.

Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,

or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,

That were a present far too small.

Love so amazing, so divine

Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707; Music: Lowell Mason, 1824

## Prayers of the People

**Church ...**

**City ...**

**World ...**

## Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

*Let us offer our gifts and our lives to God.*

**Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach**

**us to render to You all that we have and all that we are,**

**that we may praise You, not with our lips only, but with**

**our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the**

**joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to You, through**

**our Savior, Jesus Christ. 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 man's 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

# Blessing and Sending

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

**Thanks be to God.**