Our Mission

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

Connect to Christ Church

We are so happy you are worshiping 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 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).

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

Looking Ahead

September 7: * Wonderful Wednesdays begin

September 11: * Cal Sunday

September 17: * Faith & Work Journey workshop

September 19: * Women Reading Women

September 27: GriefShare begins (jayne@christchurcheastbay.org)

October 8: * Loaves & Fishes

October 8: CCKids Service Project

* Wonderful Wednesdays Return September 7, 14 & 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. Please * register by the Monday before Wonderful Wednesday gathering so we can plan for food and childcare (by tomorrow for this week).

Bible Breakfast Bunch

Sundays, 9:15-10:15 am, Sept. 11 & 18, 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. This fall we'll Psample the Psalms in creative ways (Sept. 4, 11, 18); 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. Contact Sam Vandervelde (sam.vandervelde@proton.me) with questions or ideas.

* Calling All Christ Church Bears! Cal Sunday, September 11, 12:00 pm, Community Hall

To all the Cal undergrads, grad students, postdocs, faculty, staff, and alumni, join us in the Community Hall after the service for Cal Sunday. It will be a great time to welcome our Cal newcomers with some lunch and fellowship. Please * register by this Wednesday so we can plan for

* Practicing the Presence of God ... at Work Saturday, September 17, 10 am-12 pm

Most thoughtful Christians believe that their faith should integrate with their work, and they want to live that out more deeply. But how? With guest speaker Brian Gray of the Denver Institute for Faith & Work, we'll talk about what it means to practice the presence of God through our work. We'll combine times of teaching, personal reflection, and peer dialogue to help us take next practical steps into bridging the experiential divide between these two important areas of our lives. Join us for this free seminar hosted by Christ Church and Faith & Work Journey.

* Women Reading Women Monday, September 19, 7:00 pm

Our book group is reading The Weight of All Things by Sandra Benitez. Join us 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.

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





Sunday, September 4, 2022 Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

Gathering

It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise. It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise to You only.

You give life, You are love, You bring light to the darkness. You give hope, You restore Every heart that is broken. Great are You, Lord.

Bridge

And all the earth will shout Your praise; Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing: "Great are You, Lord!"

"Great Are You Lord"

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Call to Worship - Psalm 80

Hear us, Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock.

Awaken Your might; come and save us.

Return to us, God Almighty! Look down from heaven and see! Watch over this vine. the root Your right hand has planted, the son You have raised up for Yourself.

Then we will not turn away from You; revive us, and we will call on Your name.

Restore us, Lord God Almighty; make Your face shine on us, that we may be saved.

They That Wait

They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength, They shall mount up on wings like an eagle and soar; They shall run and not grow weary, They shall walk and never faint; They that wait on the Lord. Wait on the Lord.

Pre-Chorus

Hold on a little while longer; His promises are true. Trust and believe He's faithful; He'll work it out for you. One thing we must remember:

Our God is able and He cares for me; He cares for you.

Wait on the Lord, and He will come through. Wait on the Lord, He will answer you. Wait on the Lord, and He won't be long; Wait on the Lord.

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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: Gracious Lord, we confess that we dishonor You in our words, thoughts, and deeds. Depending on our own strength, we stumble. Glorving in our own righteousness, we reject You. We turn our faces from You, desiring the things of this world to satisfy us. We turn our faces from our neighbors, choosing instead to satisfy our own needs above others'. We pray now, Lord, for You to forgive all of our many sins, shine Your light on the darkness in our lives, and to turn our faces and our hearts back to You. We pray these things in the name of Your most precious Son,

Silence is kept for private confession and petition.

Assurance of Pardon

Jesus Christ. Amen.

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:

Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." The other quests began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." (Luke 7:48-50)

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.



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Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen, Amen, Amen, God, we praise You, God, we praise You!

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The Lord's Word

New Testament Lesson

A reading from the Gospel of Mark:

Mk 9:14 When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them. 15 As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet Him. 16 "What are you arguing with them about?" He asked. 17 A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought You my son who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. 18 Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked Your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not." 19 "You unbelieving generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me." 20 So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. 21 Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?" "From childhood," he answered. 22 "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if You can do anything, take pity on us and help us." 23 "'If you can'?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes. 24 Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!" 25 When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, He rebuked the impure spirit. "You deaf and mute spirit," He said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." 26 The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, "He's dead." 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up. 28 After Jesus had gone indoors, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?" 29 He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Please be seated

Teaching

Sermon Series: Revive Us

Title: The Urgent Need for Revival Today Preacher: Rev. Jonathan St. Clair

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)

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.

Fresh Wind

Spirit sound, rushing wind, Fire of God, fall within; Holy Ghost breathe on us, we pray. As we repent, turn from sin, Revival embers smoldering; Breath of God fan us into flame.

We need a fresh wind, the fragrance of Heaven; Pour Your Spirit out. Pour Your Spirit out.

For hearts that burn with holy fear, Purified in faith and deed: Refiner's fire, strengthen what remains. So we the church who bear Your light, Lamp aflame, city bright; King and kingdom come is what we pray.

We need a fresh wind, the fragrance of Heaven; Pour Your Spirit out. Pour Your Spirit out. A holy anointing, the power of Your presence; Pour Your Spirit out. Pour Your Spirit out.

Let all the redeemed prophesy and sing. We can hear the wind blowing, blowing, blowing. Move upon our praise. Sons and daughters sing. We can hear the wind blowing, blowing, blowing.

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Prayers of the People

Church ...

City ...

World ...

Heal Us

Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are, We long to feel Thy touch. Deep wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior hear our cry.

Our faith is feeble, we confess: We faintly trust Thy word. But will You pity us the less? Be that far from You Lord!

Remember him who once applied With trembling for relief; "Lord, I believe," with tears he cried, "O help my unbelief!"

She, too, who touched You in the press, And healing virtue stole, Was answered, "Daughter, go in peace Thy faith has made thee whole."

Like her, with hopes and fears we come, To touch You if we may. O send us not despairing home, Send none unhealed away.

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Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Let us offer our gifts and our lives to God.

O Lord, as a spiritual act of worship, we offer ourselves to You now as living sacrifices, and offer our gifts to You in gratitude for Your great blessing. Whatever we do, whether in word or deed, may we do all in the name of Jesus our Lord, giving thanks to You, Father, through Him, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Revive Us Again

We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy love, For Jesus who died and is now gone above.

Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Hallelujah, amen! Hallelujah, Thine the glory! Revive us again.

We praise Thee, O God, for Thy Spirit of light, Who has shown us our Savior and scattered the night.

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain, Who has borne all our sins and has cleansed every stain. All glory and praise, to the God of all grace, Who has brought us and sought us and guided our ways.

Revive us again, fill each heart with Thy love. May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.

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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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