

Hail to the Lord’s Anointed

Hail to the Lord’s Anointed, Thou Great and Royal Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captives free,
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong;
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in His sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth;
Before Him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go;
And righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

O’er every foe victorious, He on His throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious, all-blessing and all-blest;
The tide of time shall never His covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever: that name to us is Love.

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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.

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 worshipping 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!

Let’s begin the year by reading through the four Gospels, the ancient biographical pictures of Jesus of Nazareth. Let’s read and and get to know Him together! Schedule and resources can be found at the Welcome Table and at christchurcheastbay.org/worship.

Week 2 - January 8

Sunday - Matthew 8	Thursday - Matthew 12
Monday - Matthew 9	Friday - Matthew 13
Tuesday - Matthew 10	Saturday - Matthew 14
Wednesday - Matthew 11	

“Un-Deck” the Halls

Today after the service

Join us after the worship service to put away the garlands, wreathes, and lights that have made our church so beautiful for Advent and Christmas!

* Women Reading Women Book Group

Tomorrow - Monday, January 9, 7:00 pm

If “make new friends” or “read more” is a New Year’s Resolution, please join us for a monthly fellowship and book discussion of female-authored books, hosted by Maria Francis. This month we’re reading *The Inheritors: An Intimate Portrait of South Africa’s Racial Reckoning* by Eve Fairbanks. See details on the * Events page or email maria@christchurcheastbay.org.

* 2nd Wednesday Evensong & Prayer

January 11, 6:00 pm dinner, 7:00 pm program for all ages

All are welcome to gather with us for the monthly Evensong & Prayer service of Scripture, hymns, and prayer to seek more of the presence and power. Programing for children through 8th grade continues. Don’t forget to * register for dinner and childcare by Monday (tomorrow).

* Wonderful Wednesdays - January 18

1st & 3rd Wednesdays: Philippians with Jonathan 6:00 pm dinner, 7:00 pm program for all ages

Come study the Paul’s letter to the Philippians, which focuses on the love of Christ, the greatest love anyone can ever know, using the videos, handbook, and reading plan from Discipleship Explored. Please join the Philippians community group on the website under the Connect tab, and don’t forget to * register for dinner and childcare by Monday each week.

Coming Up in February

February 3: First Friday Prayer Vigil
February 5: Breakfast Bible Bunch
February 5: Belonging - class for those interested in membership
February 11: Loaves & Fishes
February 13: Women Reading Women

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



Gathering

O worship the King all-glorious above,
And gratefully sing His power and His love:
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, and sing of His love,
While angels delight to worship above.
We bless our Creator, His name be adored;
Come, praise Him, you people, and worship the Lord.

Chorus

Unchanging, unending, infinite grace.
God, our Creator, the Ancient of Days.
Firm foundation, faithful and sure.
Maker, Defender, Friend and Redeemer,
Jesus our Savior and King.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
And still He is nigh—His presence we have.
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

“O Worship the King”

Words: (st. 1-3) Robert Grant, 1833; (st. 4) Charles Wesley, 1744
Music: LYONS, Attr. to J. M. Haydn, 18th cent. ARR. Joseph Martin Kraus, 1784
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Call to Worship - Isaiah 61

*I delight greatly in the Lord;
my soul rejoices in my God.*

**For He has clothed me with garments of salvation
and arrayed me in a robe of His righteousness,**

*For as the soil makes the sprout come up
and a garden causes seeds to grow,
so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness
and praise spring up before all nations.*

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
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Prayer & Confession

*Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me
will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”*

Let us together confess our sin against God and neighbor:
**Lord, You came among us as the light of the world,
embracing human frailty, that we might receive salvation.
We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of
Your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries
for justice; we do not strive for peace. We don’t offer You
our best, and live as if You are not King, failing to
recognize Your power, glory, and might. In Your mercy,
cleanse us of our sin, and pour out the gifts of Your Spirit,
that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth Your
glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.**

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:

“Surely God is My salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord Himself, is My strength and My defense; He has become My salvation.” With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

(Isaiah 12:2-3)

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.

Doxology

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

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674, Phil Wickham, 2014

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter, 1551

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The Lord’s Word

Old Testament Lesson

A reading from the book of Genesis

GN 3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’”
2 The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, **3** but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’”
4 “You will not certainly die,” the serpent said to the woman.
5 “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”
6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.
7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.
8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God as He was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.
9 But the Lord God called to the man,

“Where are you?”
10 He answered, “I heard You in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.”

The grass withers, and the flowers fall,

but the Word of our God stands forever.

Gospel Lesson

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

MT 3:16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on Him.
17 And a voice from heaven said, “This is My Son, whom I love; with Him I am well pleased.”

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MT 4:1 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.
2 After fasting forty days and forty nights, He was hungry.
3 The tempter came to Him and said, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.”
4 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”
5 Then the devil took Him to the holy city and had Him stand on the highest point of the temple.
6 “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written: ‘He will command His angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.’”
7 Jesus answered him, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”
8 Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor.
9 “All this I will give You,” he said, “if You will bow down and worship me.”
10 Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.’”
11 Then the devil left Him, and angels came and attended Him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please be seated

Teaching

Series: The King and the Kingdom

Title: Wilderness Temptation: If You Are...

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Ong

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Let us offer our thanks to God, and ourselves to His service.

Compassionate God, You have given us the gift of salvation through Your Son Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. In humble thanks for Your gracious gift to us, we now offer to You the works of our hands and the fruits of our labors, in response to Your bounteous grace. We pray in the name of Emmanuel, God with us. 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.

Shine Your Light

You give strength to the weary, and hope to the broken,
And all the wounded ones—You bear their pain.
You give comfort to those who mourn,
And peace to the anxious heart,
And all who carry scars—You carry them.

Chorus

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, our Savior, heal us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

You see each bitter tear, and every broken heart,
And all the fallen ones—You lift them up.
You are light in the darkest night, in every valley deep,
And all whose song is lost—You sing for them.

Bridge

Shine Your light upon us. Bring Your healing to us.

Though we should walk in darkness,

Lord our hope, our hope is in You alone.

Shine Your light upon us. Show Your power among us.

We will not fear the darkness,

For our hope, our hope is in You alone.

Lord, our hope, our hope is in You alone.

Lord, we trust, we trust in You alone.

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