

Christ Church

Third Sunday in Advent

Service of Lessons & Carols

December 13, 2009
10:30am Berkeley, 5:00pm Rockridge

Gathering and Reflecting

"When you look at organized religion of whatever sort - whether it's Christianity in all its variants, or whether it's Islam or some forms of extreme Hinduism - wherever you see organized religion and priest-hoods and power, you see cruelty and tyranny and repression. It's almost a universal law."
- Philip Pullman, *The Dark Materials Trilogy*

"I believe that with the loss of God, man has lost a kind of absolute and universal system of coordinates, to which he could always relate everything, chiefly himself. His world and his personality gradually began to break up into separate, incoherent fragments corresponding to different, relative, coordinates."
- Vaclav Havel, *playwright and President of Czechoslovakia and the Czech Republic (1989-2003)*

Prelude

Today's Worship Pastor: Jonathan St. Clair
Today's Teaching Pastor: Bart Garrett

Call to Worship - Psalm 85

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

You, Lord, showed favor to your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

**You forgave the iniquity of your people
and covered all their sins.**

You set aside all your wrath
and turned from your fierce anger.

**Restore us again, God our Savior,
and put away your displeasure toward us.**

Show us your unfailing love, Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

O Come O Come Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Lesson One

From the Children's Storybook Bible by Sally Lloyd-Jones

The Terrible Lie - From Genesis 3

Adam and Eve lived happily together in their beautiful new home. And everything was perfect - for a while.

Now, God had given Adam and Eve only one rule: "Don't eat the fruit on that tree. Because if you do, you'll think you know everything. You'll stop trusting me, and then death and sadness and tears will come."

But the crafty serpent whispered. "You don't need God. If He really loved you, He would let you eat some of that fruit." His words hissed into Eve's ears and sunk deep into her heart, like poison. Does God love me? she wondered. Suddenly she didn't know anymore.

Eve picked the fruit and ate some. And Adam ate some, too. And a terrible lie came into the world. It would live on in every human heart, whispering to God's children: "God doesn't love me."

Sin had come into God's perfect world, and it would never leave. God's children would always be running away from Him and hiding in the dark. "You must leave the garden now," God said. "This is not the place for you anymore." But before they left, God gently clothed His children and sent them away, out of their home.

Now in another story, this would have been THE END...
But not in this story.

It could not end there. Though they would forget Him, and run from Him, deep in their hearts, God's children would miss Him always, and long for Him - yearn for their home. And in spite of everything, God would love His children - with a Never-Stopping, Never-Giving-Up, Unbreaking, Always-and-Forever Love. God had a magnificent plan - "It will not always be so! I will come to rescue you!" God whispered.

And He would. One day, God Himself would come.

Advent Candle Lighting

Invocation Prayer

Welcoming One Another

Children in kindergarten through fourth grade may be dismissed for Children's Church at this time.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above all heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Thomas Ken, 1709

The Lord's Word

The Bible (from 'papyrus, scroll'), consists of the books of the Old Testament (Law, Prophets, and Writings) and the New Testament (Gospels, Acts, Letters, and Revelation). The Scriptures are God's words – his powerful, authoritative self-expression and revelation. The prose and poetry of the various genres of the Bible tell the story of God's redeeming love for the world, making us "wise for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ... thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3). Listen to God's voice calling, shaping, energizing, and directing his church in her mission to bless the world and build the kingdom of God "on earth as it is in heaven" (Matthew 6).

Lesson Two

A reading from Genesis 12:1-3; 22:15-18.

Ge 12:1 The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you.

2 "I will make you into a great nation
and I will bless you;
I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.

3 I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you."

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Ge 22:15 The angel of the Lord called to Abraham from heaven a second time 16 and said, "I swear by myself, declares the Lord, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son. 17 I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, 18 and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

Lesson Three

A reading from Isaiah 9:2, 6-7; 11:1-3a, 4a.

Isa 9:2 The people walking in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep darkness
a light has dawned.

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Isa 9:6 For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given,
and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of his government and peace
there will be no end.
He will reign on David's throne
and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it
with justice and righteousness
from that time on and forever.
The zeal of the Lord Almighty
will accomplish this.

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Isa 11:1 A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.

2 The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him—
the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and of might,
the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord—

3a and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.

Isa 11:4a but with righteousness he will judge the needy,
with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth.

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a Child and yet a King.
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

Lesson Four

A reading from Luke 1:26-35, 38.

²⁶ In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."

²⁹ Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. ³⁰ But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, ³³ and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

³⁴ "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"

³⁵ The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

³⁸ "I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May it be to me according to your word." Then the angel left her.

Thou Who Wast Rich

Thou who wast rich beyond all splendor,
All for love's sake becomest poor;

Thrones for a manger didst surrender,
Sapphire-paved courts for stable floor.
Thou who wast rich beyond all splendor,
All for love's sake becomes poor.

Thou who art God beyond all praising,
All for love's sake becamest man;
Stooping so low, but sinners raising
Heavenwards by thine eternal plan.
Thou who art God beyond all praising,
All for love's sake becamest man.

Thou who art love beyond all telling,
Saviour and King, we worship thee.
Emmanuel, within us dwelling,
Make us what thou wouldst have us be.
Thou who art love beyond all telling,
Savior and King, we worship thee.

The First Noel

The First Noel, the Angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!
Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
That hath made Heaven and earth of naught,
And with His blood mankind hath bought.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel!

Lesson Five

A reading from Luke 2:1, 3-16.

¹ In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.

³ And everyone went to their own town to register. ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." ¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.

Angels We Have Heard On High

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

O Little Town Of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

Lesson Six

A reading from Luke 1:1-4; 2:8-20.

¹ Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, ² just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word. ³ With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴ so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.

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¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

Homily

Series: Advent Conspiracy

Title: Conspiracy of Peace

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts - Project Peace & Mercy Ministry

- *We offer our gifts in gratitude and faith in response to God's gifts of bread and wine, the body and blood of Jesus Christ.*
- *The Christian church has historically taken up alms for the poor, weak, and needy during worship.*
- *Christians offer a sacrificial portion of their resources -time, talents, treasures - as an act of faith and gratitude in response to God's grace, which enables the church to continue doing God's work in the church, the city, and the world.*
- *Those who are not Christians should feel under no compulsion to give; your presence is a good gift to us.*
- *Many members and regular attenders give tithes and special offerings through automatic bill payment via bank check; your bank will gladly set that up for you. Checks for the offering may be made payable to Christ Church. All gifts are tax deductible with receipts issued at the conclusion of the tax year.*

Lesson Seven

A reading from John 1:1-14.

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only [Son], who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Prayers of the People

As we prepare to come to Jesus in the feast of the Lord's Supper, we also bring the church, the city, and the world before the throne and table of our King. We pray together with one heart and mind, agreeing with the prayers offered, and adding our own silent prayers.

In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid we pray to Jesus.

Come to your Church as Lord and judge.

We pray for...

Help us to live in the light of your coming and give us a longing for your kingdom.

Maranatha:

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to your world as King of the nations.
We pray for...
Before you rulers will stand in silence.
Maranatha:
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to the suffering as Savior and comforter.
We pray for...
Break into our lives, where we struggle with sickness and distress, and set us free to serve you for ever.
Maranatha:
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls.
Give us with all the faithful departed a share in your victory over evil and death.
Maranatha:
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory.
Lift us up to meet you, that with all your saints and angels we may live and reign with you in your new creation.
Maranatha:
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay; give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom on earth as in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Supper

The signature celebratory feast of Christians has many names: the Love Feast, the Freedom Meal, the Bread Breaking, the Lord's Supper, Communion (from 'sharing'), the Eucharist (from 'thank you'), and the Mass (from 'Go, you are sent out'). This adaptation of the Jewish Passover has always been a common, shared, joyous family meal for those who follow Jesus, looking back to his once-for-all sacrificial death and looking forward to his return. When we celebrate the feast we commune with the risen Lord Jesus who stands as our host to offer forgiveness, healing, and life; we also commune with one another, participating together in the reconciling grace of God.

We invite all who follow Jesus to partake of the Lord's Supper – Baptized Christians who confess the faith, are at peace with God and neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not yet a Christian, or if you are a Christian who is not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage your prayerful observation in the hopes that you may consider your relationship with Jesus and with his church.

The order of our celebration follows the four actions Jesus performed with the bread and wine when he gathered his disciples around the table: he took, he blessed, he broke, and he gave.

He Took

Let us all 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.
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.

He Blessed and Broke

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.

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh, he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world to open for us the way of salvation. Confident that your promise will be fulfilled, we now watch for the day when Christ our Lord will come again in glory. And so we join our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory for ever praising you and saying:

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!

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.

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 it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

He Gave

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

- You may come by rows, beginning with the front row, to receive Holy Communion. Eat the bread when you are ready and hold onto the cup (red wine or white grape juice) so we can drink it together as a symbol of our unity in Christ.
- Those who are not receiving communion are encouraged to come to the servers to receive a blessing. You may fold your arms across your chest to indicate that you will not receive bread and wine.
- Please place your communion cups in the recycle bin in the back of the worship space at the conclusion of the service.

Prayers During Communion

Prayer for Truth

God, if you are real and you care about me, please show up in my life. Give me understanding of mind and experience of heart to know who you are, who I am, and what life in this world is about. If Jesus is "the way, the truth, and the life," then I need you to persuade me. If it is true that "Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again," then give me faith. Amen.

Prayer for Repentance and Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Renouncing Sin

Lord Jesus, you have called us to be poor in spirit, meek, hungry and thirsty for righteousness, merciful, and pure in heart. Grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need and turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the bread of life. Enable me to love you with my whole heart and love my neighbor as myself. Amen.

Prayer for Renewal and Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism, to love God and neighbor, and to a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, to pursue forgiveness, reconciliation, and peace, and to live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Communion Prayer

Let us give thanks to God.
Loving God,
you have given us a share
in the one bread and the one cup
and made us one with Christ.
Help us to bring your salvation and joy
to all the world.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon)

Lord, now let me depart in peace,
for I have seen Your salvation.
A light in the darkness for weary ones;
Your glory among all the nations.

Chorus

Come, Lord Jesus, come,
Emmanuel, God With Us;
Light of the World, given all for love.
Glory to God in the highest!

For us and for our salvation,
Promise of Old from on high.
Wrapped in the garb of humanity,
the Word who would suffer and die.
Music and Lyrics by Eric Gilbert, 2009
Text based on "Nunc Dimittis" (Song of Simeon) from Luke 2
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Blessing and Sending

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Those who regularly worship with us may help us recycle the outer worship folder by placing them in the re-use bin in the back.

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New to Christ Church?

Christ Church exists to lead people into a deeper relationship with Christ and his Church through community for the city. We hope you will join us in the mission.

Welcome Table

At the conclusion of the worship service, please stop by the Welcome Table on your way out. You will meet someone who can give you more information about the church and help you fill out a card for the upcoming Newcomer Meal.

Newcomer Meal - Sunday, Jan 17

We invite you to join the pastors, other newcomers, and folks from the Christ Church community for a casual meal within the first several weeks or months of your first visit to Christ Church. You will get to know others in our community, hear the story, vision, and mission of Christ Church, and learn how you can be more involved in our worship and work. Fill out a Newcomer Card at the Welcome Table to let us know you are interested.

Newcomer Class - Sundays, Jan 31 to Feb 21, following worship services

After you have come to our Newcomer Meal, please join the pastors and other newcomers for a four-week, one-hour class to get to know one another, explore what we believe about Christianity, and discover how you can partner with Christ Church to put those beliefs into practice in your life, church, community, and city. We meet immediately following each worship service.

Weekly Emails about Upcoming Events

Sign up on our home page for "This Week at Christ Church," a weekly or bi-weekly email about upcoming events in the life of our community. You may unsubscribe at any time.

Advent Conspiracy

Conspire with us each Sunday during Advent to do something different for Christmas this year: buy ethically, spend less, give more, love all:

Trade As One Gift Fair - Nov 29

Make Something Party - Dec 6

Project Peace & Mercy Ministry Offering - Dec 13

Give more this Christmas to the work of mercy and justice in Berkeley and Oakland. Project Peace forms partnerships with faith-based groups and social service providers to work together for sustainable communities in the East Bay.

Wine to Water Offering - Dec 20

Love all this Christmas by contributing to clean drinking water for those who need it. Wine to Water is an international aid organization focused on providing clean water in the developing world.

Upcoming Events

For a complete listing of announcements and information, please visit our announcements page and website calendar at www.christchurchberkeley.org.

Lessons & Carols - Sunday, Dec 13

Please join us as we anticipate the birth of our Jesus Christ through a service of "Lessons & Carols." This service began in the late 1800's in Truro, Cornwall in Southern England. It recounts the Biblical stories of the creation and fall of humanity, the promises of God's rescue, and the birth of God's Son.

Advent "One Church, One Book" - Thursday, Dec 17, 7:30pm

Join us as we read *On the Incarnation* by St. Athanasius. These classic reflections on "the Word made flesh" were written by the fourth century bishop of Alexandria, Egypt who is considered one of the four Great Doctors of the Eastern Church. He is best remembered for the conflict with Arianism and his role in the Council of Nicea, which gave the church the Nicene Creed. Email jonathan@christchurchberkeley.org if you are interested.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service - Wednesday, Dec 24, 4pm

Join us for a one-hour worship service at College Avenue Presbyterian Church. Bring family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers as we bring the Advent season to a close and enter into the joy of Christmas and "the Word made flesh."

Members meeting - Sunday, Jan 10, 3 - 4:30pm

Plan to join us for our next combined members meeting at College Avenue Presbyterian Church. The Commission for Church Organization will give a report and recommendation. Childcare will be provided.

Pledge Campaign Update - Thursday, Jan 21, 6 -7:30pm

To date, our congregation has pledged \$310,000 over the next 2.5 years. To God be the glory! And to you be many thanks! We are currently in exciting and hopeful negotiations with the Grace North Church, and it seems that we could be using our pledge dollars sooner rather than later. Please remain in prayer with us about this potential move. In light of these negotiations, we are hosting a pizza dinner at College Avenue Presbyterian Church as a way of saying "Thank you," and also to discuss the present and future of the pledge campaign more fully. Please join us if 1) you are a member, 2) you have pledged to the campaign, or 3) are interested in learning more about the pledge campaign. Please RSVP to bart@christchurchberkeley.org. If you need childcare, please copy emily@christchurchberkeley.org with the ages of your children.

Weekly Worship

Morning Prayer - 7:15 to 7:45am on Tuesdays & Thursdays

Join us for morning prayer based on a simple structure of The Book of Common Prayer. You may leave early as needed or stick around for coffee and conversation. We meet at the Figueroa's home (Tuesdays - 2820 Fulton St, Berkeley 94705) and St. Clairs home (Thursdays - 5945 Keith Avenue, Oakland 94618).

Teaching Notes

Christ Church Staff

Please contact office@christchurchberkeley.org to schedule an appointment with a pastor or to submit prayer requests, questions, or concerns for the Christ Church staff.

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