



# Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

April 23, 2023

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# Order of Worship

April 23, 2023

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory;  
to all who sin and need a Savior;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to all who will come,  
this church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome  
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

## REFLECTIONS

Jesus Christ did not say "Go into all the world and tell the world that it is quite right."

-C.S. Lewis

Bad evangelism says: I'm right, you're wrong, and I would love to tell you about it.

-Tim Keller

The ministry of evangelization is an extraordinary opportunity of showing gratitude to Jesus by passing on His gospel of grace to others.

-Brennan Manning

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Nehemiah 9:5-6

Leader: Stand up and praise the Lord your God,  
Who is from everlasting to everlasting.

**People: Blessed be your glorious name,  
And may it be exalted above all blessing and praise.**

Leader: You alone are the Lord.  
You made the heavens, even the highest heavens,  
And all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it,  
The seas and all that is in them.

**People: You give life to everything,  
and the multitudes of heaven worship you.**

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

*As a courtesy, please set all communication devices to silent. Thank you.*

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## **HYMN OF PRAISE\***

Trinity Hymnal #94 (1,2,4)

*How Firm A Foundation*

## **PRAYER OF ADORATION**

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Our World Belongs to God*  
*Stanzas 32, 44, 45*

The Spirit thrusts God's people into worldwide mission.  
He impels young and old, men and women,  
to go next door and far away  
into science and art, media and marketplace  
with the good news of God's grace.

Following the apostles, the church is sent-  
sent with the gospel of the kingdom.  
In a world estranged from God,  
where millions face confusing choices,  
this mission is central to our being.

The rule of Jesus Christ covers the whole world.  
To follow this Lord is to serve him everywhere,  
without fitting in,  
as light in the darkness, as salt in a spoiling world.

## **SONGS OF PRAISE\***

*This Is Amazing Grace*  
*Only A Holy God*

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

## PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

### WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Daniel 9:8-9

We and our kings, our princes and our ancestors are covered with shame, Lord, because we have sinned against you. The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him.

### SONG OF RESPONSE\*

*He Will Hold Me Fast*

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TIME OF COMMITMENT

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### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Giving an offering is one way for members and friends of BAPC to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please do not feel under any obligation to give.*

Online	Cash or Check	Text Message
<i>Please visit</i>	<i>Lobby box or mailed</i>	<i>Text "Give" to</i>
<i>bapc.org/give</i>	<i>to the church office</i>	<i>832-921-6502</i>

### CHORAL ANTHEM

Hussey, Shackley

*Lead Me to Calvary*

### DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

*Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Children's Church in Room 103. If you and your child have not yet received matching security tags, please accompany them to the table in the lobby for check-in.*

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## SCRIPTURE

Acts 3:11-26

<sup>11</sup> While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. <sup>12</sup> When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. <sup>14</sup> You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. <sup>15</sup> You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. <sup>16</sup> By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

<sup>17</sup> "Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. <sup>18</sup> But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup> Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, <sup>20</sup> and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus. <sup>21</sup> Heaven must receive him until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets. <sup>22</sup> For Moses said, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you must listen to everything he tells you. <sup>23</sup> Anyone who does not listen to him will be completely cut off from their people.'

<sup>24</sup> "Indeed, beginning with Samuel, all the prophets who have spoken have foretold these days.

<sup>25</sup> And you are heirs of the prophets and of the covenant God made with your fathers. He said to Abraham, 'Through your offspring all peoples on earth will be blessed.' <sup>26</sup> When God raised up his servant, he sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your wicked ways."

## MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Series: God's Advancing Kingdom  
*Gospel Fluency*

## HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

## BENEDICTION\*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Welcome! We're so glad you're here with us today.  
For a full list of upcoming events, Bible studies and more,  
please visit [www.bapc.org/calendar](http://www.bapc.org/calendar)**

Today	Missionary Visit: Michael Wadhams	9am
Today	Missions Fellowship Lunch	12pm
4/26	Middle and High School Youth Groups	7pm
4/28	Friday Small Group	1:30pm
4/29	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	8am



### **2023 Directory Photos, Today**

If you'd like to have a new photo alongside your family's information in the 2023 directory, please see Whitney Kelley outside after worship today. Need to arrange an alternate photo date? Email [wkelley@bapc.org](mailto:wkelley@bapc.org).



### **Micah Ministry Food Pantry**

Help us provide meals for families in need at nearby McWhirter Elementary! Food items may be dropped off in the box located in the sanctuary kitchen anytime. Our Middle School Girls' youth group will partner with the Micah Ministry to create meal bags and distribute them.



### **Saturday Serve with 4B Disaster Response Network, May 6th**

Restore homes devastated by natural disasters and grow relationships with others at BAPC through service! Join us at the 4BDRN Operation Center at 8am on Saturday, May 6. Free childcare will be available at the church from 7:30am-12:30pm, registration required. For more information, please scan the QR code or see a Micah Ministry team member.



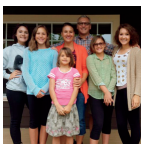
### **Sunday Supper, May 7th at 5:30pm**

Grow in community with us at our monthly fellowship dinner! Ham will be served as the main dish. RSVP by visiting [bapc.org](http://bapc.org) and scrolling to the bottom of the home page. Please consider signing up to bring a side dish or dessert. We hope to see you there!

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## MISSIONS UPDATE

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The Wadhams began their missionary journey in 1998, when they left Cape Town, South Africa to serve Native Americans in the US. They settled in North Carolina and worked full-time on the Cherokee reservation, later moving to Charlotte where Michael pursued further studies in missiology. They now reside in Lynden, Washington, serving among the Nooksack and Lummi reservations

with the aim of establishing Native churches in the region through building relationships, evangelism, and mentoring/discipleship. Michael is also mentoring a young man from the Blackfeet tribe in Montana and coordinating new work in the South West amongst the Tohono o'Odham in Tucson, AZ. Through their work, they hope to see a vibrant and thriving Native Christian community emerge, with strong local leaders who can continue to build God's Kingdom amongst their people.



**Adults**

Come Lord Jesus: Studies on the End Times, Room 88

**9th - 12th Grade**

History of the Canon, Youth Room

**5th - 8th Grade**

Acts to Romans, Room 91

**3rd - 4th Grade**

God's Growing Church, Room 104

**1st - 2nd Grade**

Serving God, Room 102

**PreK - Kindergarten**

Jesus Is the Savior, Room 107

**Nursery**

Toddler Nursery, Room 108

Infant Nursery, Room 106

*\*Children in PreK-2nd grade begin the Sunday School with a time of singing and musical instruction from our Choir Director, Kathy Wright.*

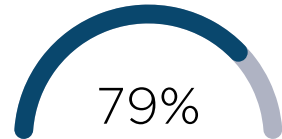
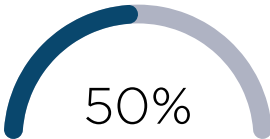
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GIVING UPDATE

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April Giving Goal: \$65,650  
April Actual Giving: \$32,617  
Amount Under: (\$33,033)

July 2022-June 2023 Annual Budget Goal: \$682,760  
Received as of 04/16/2023: \$541,160  
Amount Under: (\$141,600)



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STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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Chris Yates, Pastor  
Kaitlin Fenner, Director of Business Operations  
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Kathy Wright, Director of Choirs

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