



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 30, 2023

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Order of Worship

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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

The Sadducees could arrest the apostles, but not the gospel.

-John Stott

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

-Martin Luther King Jr.

If we are never persecuted, then we're likely compromising or being too quiet about our faith. But if both of those things are happening—if you are persecuted and your testimony is bearing fruit—you're in a sweet spot. Speaking the truth without love will only bring opposition; being loving without insisting on the truth is cowardice.

-Tim Keller

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

CALL TO WORSHIP

1 Chronicles 16

Leader: Sing to the Lord, all the earth;
proclaim his salvation day after day.

**People: Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise.**

Leader: Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his dwelling place.

**All: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come before him.
Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let them say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!"**

**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 #302 (1,2,3)

Come, Christians Join to Sing

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

Great Things

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

CONFESSION OF SIN

Gracious and loving God, because of the sacrificial death of your Son, Jesus Christ, you have granted eternal life and forgiveness of sins to all who embrace Him by faith. Because of His resurrection we have hope for the future and find courage for today. Forgive us for living diminished lives - lives shaped by yesterday's regrets and tomorrow's fears. Send us your Spirit to help us so that we may live out our days in joyful obedience to Jesus, our Savior and Friend.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

1 John 3:1

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!
And that is what we are!

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Lord, We've Turned From Living Waters

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
Please visit
bapc.org/give

Cash or Check
Lobby box or mailed
to the church office

Text Message
Text "Give" to
832-921-6502

CHORAL ANTHEM

arr. Hayes

Hear the Joyful Sound

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 4:1-22

¹The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. ² They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people, proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. ³ They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. ⁴ But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed grew to about five thousand.

⁵ The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. ⁶ Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. ⁷ They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?"

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: “Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹ If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed,¹⁰ then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. ¹¹ Jesus is

“the stone you builders rejected,
which has become the cornerstone.”

¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”

¹³ When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.¹⁴ But since they could see the man who had been healed standing there with them, there was nothing they could say.¹⁵ So they ordered them to withdraw from the Sanhedrin and then conferred together.

¹⁶ “What are we going to do with these men?” they asked. “Everyone living in Jerusalem knows they have performed a notable sign, and we cannot deny it. ¹⁷ But to stop this thing from spreading any further among the people, we must warn them to speak no longer to anyone in this name.”

¹⁸ Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus.¹⁹ But Peter and John replied, “Which is right in God’s eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! ²⁰ As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.”

²¹ After further threats they let them go. They could not decide how to punish them, because all the people were praising God for what had happened.²² For the man who was miraculously healed was over forty years old.

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Series: God's Advancing Kingdom
Overcoming Opposition to the Gospel

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

O Church Arise

BENEDICTION*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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**

5/3	Middle and High School Youth Groups	7pm
5/5	Friday Small Group	1:30pm
5/6	4B Disaster Response Network Saturday Serve	7:30am-12:30pm
5/6	Womens' Patio & Derby Party	4pm
5/7	Communion Sunday	10:30am
5/7	Sunday Supper	5:30pm



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, Next Saturday

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, Next Sunday 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 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!

MISSIONS UPDATE



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.

CHURCH MINISTRIES

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Evening Bible Study May 12, 7-9pm

Do you find yourself desiring to be a biblical man, husband, and father? We all should- and there's encouragement to be found when you share the journey with others. Join us for an in-depth look at what scripture has to say about Godly masculinity on the second Friday of the month at 7pm in the sanctuary.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Vacation Bible School June 5-9th, 9am-12pm

Registration is now open at bapc.org/kids! This year we will go back in time to ancient Babylon and meet Daniel, who was torn from his home and learned how to trust God in the middle of difficult times.

Interested in helping with VBS leading up to or during the week of June 5-9? Please contact Hannah Stahl at hstahl@bapc.org and let her know!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Kentucky Derby Patio Party Next Saturday, 4pm

Get ready for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fun as we enjoy the most exciting two minutes in sports! Bring your favorite appetizer or snack to share and join us on Marcy Ramsey's patio, where we'll visit, decorate fascinators, and taste some traditional Derby food before watching the race together.



Womens' Online Bible Study Begins May 16, 7:30pm

Join us for connection and a study of Ephesians from the comfort of your home! We'll be using the book *Alive in Him* by Gloria Furman to draw us into closer community and understand how "wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ." Meet us on Zoom at 7:30pm!



Womens' In-Person Bible Study Begins June 14, 10am

There is much confusion on the topics of gender equality and roles, inside and outside the church. What does the Bible say about women? Is there a way to see its message as not just something to believe, but something to be enjoyed? Join us for study and discussion using the book *Women & God* by Kathleen Nielson this summer! Childcare will be available.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Curtis Briggs
Next Week: Bill Calhoun

Deacon of the Day

Today: David Kelley
Next Week: Morris Tuck

Greeters

Today: Sandy Tuck + Gracie Briggs
Next Week: Kris Benavides + Cathy Mahlstedt

Communion Preparation

May: Jack + Heather Amuny
June: Linda Hendrickson

Children's Church

Today: Alison + Joshua Banks
Next Week: Juli + Chris Simpson

Infant Nursery

Today: Laura Gelber
Next Week: Ann Breen

Toddler Nursery

Today: Owens Family
Next Week: Cavanaugh Family

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Ethan Bouck
Next Week: Clay McCarty

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

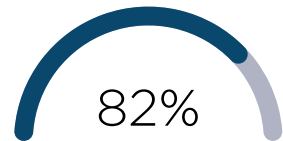
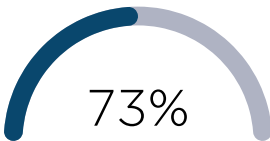
Toddler Nursery, Room 108

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.*

GIVING UPDATE

April Giving Goal:	\$65,650	July 2022-June 2023 Annual Budget Goal:	\$682,760
April Actual Giving:	\$48,101	Received as of 04/23/2023:	\$556,644
Amount Under:	(\$17,549)	Amount Under:	(\$126,116)



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