



# Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

July 9, 2023

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# Order of Worship

July 9, 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.

## REFLECTION

Are we to be primarily and almost exclusively concerned with evangelistic campaigns and with the attempt to make them more efficient by new methods and techniques? Or, should we not concentrate more upon praying for, and laying the basis of Christian instruction for, revival as it is described in the Bible?

-D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

This is the glory and miracle of grace, that God, through the Holy Spirit, is able to transform a stubborn, rebellious, and unbelieving will into a passionate, obedient, believing will without violating the integrity of the individual or diminishing the voluntary nature of one's decision to trust Christ for salvation.

-Sam Storms

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TIME OF PRAISE

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## WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 98:1-3

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song,

**People: For he has done marvelous things!  
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.**

Leader: The Lord has made his salvation known;  
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

**All: He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to Israel;  
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

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

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## HYMN OF ADORATION

Trinity Hymnal #100 (1,2,3,4)

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

## THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## SONGS OF PRAISE\*

*Grace Alone*

*Living Hope*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and to humbly confess to you our unbelief. While we know and believe that Jesus died for us on the cross and that he was raised for us from the dead, we admit it often makes little difference in our lives. Father, forgive us for this we pray. Enable us to fully embrace the truth of the gospel so that our love for you may flourish, that our obedience may be joyful, and that our witness may be fearless. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son and our Savior. Amen.

## PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

## WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Isaiah 30:15, 18-19

This is what the Sovereign Lord, the Holy One of Israel, says: “In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it... Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him! People of Zion, who live in Jerusalem, you will weep no more. How gracious he will be when you cry for help! As soon as he hears, he will answer you.

## HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

Trinity Hymnal #455 (1,3,4)

*And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

## ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

*Mike Smith, Elder*

*Steve Ramsey, Deacon*

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>833-921-6502</i>

CHORAL ANTHEM

Williams, Lantz III

*The Wilderness Shall Bloom*

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

Ezekiel 37:1-14

**37** The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” And I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, “Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord.” <sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them.

<sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.” <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.’ <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel.<sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people.<sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord.”

MESSAGE

Pastor John Wagner

*New Life for Dry Bones: Resurrection and Revival*

TIME OF COMMUNION

GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

*Communion is the family meal for Christians. We welcome all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers that follow as guidelines. We hope that this time is helpful as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ, and with his people, the church.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- Minister:

Therefore, lift up your hearts.
- People:

**We lift them up to the Lord.**
- Minister:

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- People:

**It is right to give him thanks and praise!**
- Minister:

Together we proclaim the mystery of faith.
- People:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

# THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *(concluding with the Lord's Prayer)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

### SONG OF RESPONSE\*

*Days of Elijah*

### BENEDICTION\*

### DISMISSAL

Leader: Let us go forth to serve the world as those  
who love the Lord Jesus Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

## **PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH**

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Enable me not to be intimidated by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Please guide me, teach me, and reveal to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

## **PRAYER OF BELIEF**

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I believe that you lived a perfect life so that through faith in you I might be received by God and declared righteous. I thank you that when you died on the cross you endured the punishment I deserve because of my sin, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and embrace you by faith as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **PRAYER FOR THOSE OVERCOME WITH SIN**

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the Pioneer and Perfecter of my faith. Help me not to be deceived by offers of false satisfaction and to delight in You more than anything else. Amen.

## **PRAYER FOR COVENANT CHILDREN** (Not Yet Admitted to the Lord's Supper)

Lord Jesus, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me more and more to know you, to love you, and to follow you. Please work in my heart to believe the gospel for myself, not just because my parents believe. Give me a longing to know Jesus better and to serve Him with my whole heart. Amen.



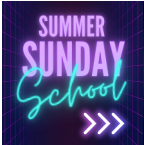
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Welcome! We're so glad you're here with us today.  
To find out more about our upcoming events, studies, and more  
please visit [bapc.org/announcements](https://bapc.org/announcements)**

7/11	Women's Zoom Bible Study	7:30pm
7/12	Women's In-Person Bible Study	10am
7/12	Youth Group	7pm
7/13	Ladies' Lunch Out	11:30am



### **Combined Sunday School, July 16-August 6**

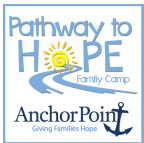
Calling kids and youth of all ages! After a time of worship with Kathy Wright in Room 105, children ages 4 years-8th grade are invited to join us in the gym for a lesson, games, and more, as we foster friendships of all ages in our children's ministry and give our dedicated Sunday School volunteers a much-deserved summer break.

Please note that there will be a church-wide Sunday School break from August 13-September 4.



### **Discover BAPC, August 12 & 13**

Interested in learning more about what our church believes and what it means to be a member? Join us for our Discover BAPC class and find out more on Saturday, August 12. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Class will wrap up in the early afternoon, then conclude during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, August 13th. Please RSVP to the church office at [bapc@bapc.org](mailto:bapc@bapc.org).



### **Anchor Point Service Opportunities**

Each summer, Anchor Point hosts camps that teach parents and children from hard situations the skills needed to connect and thrive as a family. This year, they are asking adults and mature teens to consider signing up to be a 'Camp Buddy', or to assist with set up or break down at UBC. For more details, please contact Amanda Ring at [amanda.ring@anchorpoint.us](mailto:amanda.ring@anchorpoint.us)

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## MISSIONS UPDATE

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Kurt and Jill have served many years in Europe working alongside a local denomination. Their ministry of outreach and evangelism in a South Asian community led to calling a local pastor to plant a church there. While a part of that church, Kurt developed an evangelism plan and tools for equipping the church based on their years of experience. In 2022, they left that church to begin a new role of helping other churches with outreach and training in evangelism. They are also offering his training to people who come on short-term trips and internships with the goal of equipping them with cross-cultural skills and helping them to discern a call to ministry among unreached peoples.

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## CHURCH MINISTRIES

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### MEN'S MINISTRY



#### **Men's Fellowship Breakfast July 22, 8am**

While our monthly men's Bible study will be taking a break until September, the monthly breakfasts will continue through the summer! Men, college age and up, are invited to join us for breakfast, a short devotional, and fellowship in the gym on July 22nd at 8am.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY



#### **Women's Bible Study Wednesdays at 10am**

Grow your relationship with Christ and your friendships with other women this summer! Join us at the Church of God Wednesdays at 10am as we go through and study what God has to say about his design for us. It's never too late to join! Childcare is available.

### YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



#### **Middle School Girls & High School Youth Groups**

Build friendships, deepen your knowledge of God, and discover practical ways to live out your faith with us each Wednesday at 7pm! Students meet in the upstairs youth rooms on the school end of the building.



#### **Ladies' Lunch Out July 13th, 11:30am**

Get connected to other women at BAPC over lunch and conversation! Join us at Rudy's BBQ on Thursday, July 13th. Questions? Please contact Karen Calhoun.

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## VOLUNTEER ROTATION

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#### **Elder of the Day**

Today: Mike Bliss  
Next Week: Chris D'Souza

#### **Deacon of the Day**

Today: Dennis Radford  
Next Week: John Cover

#### **Greeters**

Today: Ned Penley + Niko Laliotitis  
Next Week: Bill + Lauren Shaw

#### **Communion Preparation**

July: Marilyn Smith + Clay McCarty  
August: Jack + Heather Amuny

#### **Children's Church**

Today: Alison Banks  
Next Week: TBD

#### **Infant Nursery**

Today: Laura Gelber  
Next Week: TBD

#### **Toddler Nursery**

Today: Courtney + Austin Owens  
Next Week: TBD

#### **Coffee & Donuts**

Today: Kyle Bullock  
Next Week: Lynn Hershey

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## NOTES

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL AT BAY AREA PRESBYTERIAN

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### Adults

Questions Answered: Theology, Apologetics and Culture

### 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

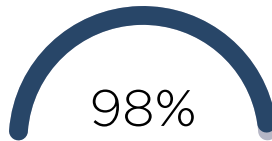
*\*Children in PreK-2nd grade begin the Sunday School with a time of singing and musical instruction from our Choir Director, Kathy Wright.*

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## GIVING UPDATE

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July 2022-June 2023 Annual Budget Goal:	\$682,760
Received as of 06/30/23:	\$672,282
Amount Under:	(\$10,478)



July 2023 Actual Giving:    \$7,433

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## STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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Chris Yates, Pastor  
Kaitlin Fenner, Director of Business Operations  
Whitney Kelley, Director of Communications & Media  
Traci Lewis, Director of Accounting  
Hannah Stahl, Director of Youth & Children's Ministries  
Kathy Wright, Director of Choirs

**Elders**  
Mike Bliss  
Curtis Briggs  
Bill Calhoun  
Chris D'Souza

**Deacons**  
John Cover  
David Kelley  
Andrew Kroese  
Dennis Radford  
Morris Tuck

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