



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 26, 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

Because of Jesus' death and resurrection, anyone who turns away from the life they've been leading and turns to God instead - anyone, including the crowds who bayed for Jesus' blood and the Jewish rulers who sent him off to Pilate to be crucified - anyone at all can know in advance the joy of being forgiven, of being refreshed by the love and mercy of God, of discovering new life and purpose in following Jesus.

-Tom Wright

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**People: Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!**

Leader: Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;

People: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

**All: For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

**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 #296 (1,2,3)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

My All in All

Thy Mercy, My God

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: Father in heaven, we give you thanks for bringing your kingdom into the world through Jesus Christ.

People: Your kingdom has begun to spread its healing reign into our lives and into our world.

Leader: We have begun to taste of your goodness, yet there is much that remains broken in our lives and in our world.

People: You have told us to live in the hope of your kingdom continuing its spread.

Leader: Yet we have often lost hope. We have given up the fight in many ways.

People: We have often settled for the mediocre kingdoms of this world: power, image, fame, money and pleasure. We have exchanged the truth about you for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than you, our Creator.

Leader: Father, forgive our unfaithfulness, and by your Spirit renew our commitment to you and your kingdom.

People: Teach us to wait in hope. Teach us to live in hope. Teach us to work in hope.

All: Lord Jesus Christ, you who are King of kings and LORD of lords, advance your kingdom in us and through us. We need it. Our world needs it. In Christ's name, Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

————— TIME OF COMMITMENT —————

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

Peterson, Shive, arr. Semsen

Is He Worthy?

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 3:1-11

¹¹ While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's. ¹² And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁴ But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶ And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

¹⁷ "And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸ But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. ¹⁹ Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, ²⁰ that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, ²¹ whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago. ²² Moses said, 'The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brothers. You shall listen to him in whatever he tells you. ²³ And it shall be that every soul who does not listen to that prophet shall be destroyed from the people.' ²⁴ And all the prophets who have spoken, from Samuel and those who came after him, also proclaimed these days. ²⁵ You are the sons of the prophets and of the covenant that God made with your fathers, saying to Abraham, 'And in your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed.' ²⁶ God, having raised up his servant, sent him to you first, to bless you by turning every one of you from your wickedness."

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Series: God's Advancing Kingdom
Say Something

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Trinity Hymnal #296 (4,5,6)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

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**

3/28	Women's Zoom Study: Blessed	7:30pm
3/29	Women's In-Person Study: Blessed	10am & 7pm
3/29	Middle and High School Youth Groups	7pm
3/30	Men's Bible Study: Revelation 1-5	6:30am
3/31	Friday Small Group	1:30pm
4/1	Spring Work Day	8:30am-12pm
4/1	Celebration of Life Honoring Bob Biffle	2pm
4/2	Communion Sunday	10:30am
4/2	Sunday Supper	5:30pm



Directory Photo Appointments, March 19th-April 2nd

We are pleased to announce that we will be updating our church directory for 2023. If you haven't had a chance to take your photo yet or would like to take an updated photo, please contact Whitney at wkelley@bapc.org to sign up for an appointment on one of the remaining dates: March 26, or April 2nd. We look forward to seeing your smiling faces in our updated directory.



Spring Work Day, April 1st, 8:30am-12pm

Help us beautify our building on Saturday, April 1st starting at 8:30am! We'll have a variety of tasks available for any skill set, ranging from spring cleaning to light repair work.



Sunday Supper, April 2nd, 5:30pm

Grow in community with us! Join us for our monthly fellowship dinner at 5:30pm on April 2nd. Pork loin 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!



Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 7th, 6pm

Please mark your calendars for our Good Friday Tenebrae Service, taking place on April 7th at 6pm. This solemn and contemplative service will provide an opportunity for reflection and remembrance of Christ's sacrifice on the cross, through readings, songs, and the extinguishing of candles.



Easter Pancake Breakfast, April 9th, 9:30am

We invite you to gather with us at 9:30am on Easter morning for a delicious pancake breakfast. In lieu of Sunday School, we'll be hosting this event for our church family, visitors, and guests to gather, enjoy warm pancakes, and fellowship together.

CHURCH MINISTRIES

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Morning Bible Study Thursdays, 6:30-7:30am

A new weekly Bible study, Letters to the Seven Churches and a Bit More, takes place on Thursday mornings. Come for a cup of coffee and a six-week study of Revelation chapters 1-5!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Women's Retreat April 14 & 15, New Braunfels

Join us for a weekend of study, community, and fun at Christ Presbyterian Church's annual retreat! Registration has closed. Please contact Whitney at wkelly@bapc.org with any questions.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Chalk the Walk April 8th, 9:30-11:30am

Kids of all ages are invited to help us decorate the sidewalk and parking lot with chalk art celebrating Jesus' resurrection. We hope you'll come and bring your creativity! Donuts and juice will also be served.



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

Save the date for Vacation Bible School 2023! This year we will go back in time to Babylon and meet Daniel, who was torn from his home and forced into the king's service. Kids and adults will find that they're not very different from Daniel and his friends, who kept their faith in a faithless culture. Church registration will begin on April 1st at bapc.org.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Mike Bliss
Next Week: Curtis Briggs

Deacon of the Day

Today: Andrew Kroese
Next Week: Morris Tuck

Greeters

Today: Marilyn Smith + Amy Antill
Next Week: Kris Benavides + Cathy Mahlstedt

Communion Preparation

April: Jack + Heather Amuny
May: Kathy Felts

Children's Church

Today: Sonia Benitez + Judy Gidden
Next Week: Andrew Boone

Infant Nursery

Today: Kathryn Felts
Next Week: Abigail Bouck

Toddler Nursery

Today: D'Souza Family
Next Week: Kim + Taliah Bouck

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Mike Smith
Next Week: Clay McCarty

MISSIONS UPDATE



This month, please be praying for Wayne and Amy Newsome, who have been serving in Nagoya, Japan.

Wayne and Amy have been ministering in Nagoya, one of the major urban areas in central Japan, since 1990 with Mission to the World. As team leader, Wayne oversees several sub-teams of missionaries and national partners involved in various stages of church planting, while also mentoring and equipping others. In addition, he serves in leadership at one of the team's local churches. Amy works as a counselor, both in their church and the MTW counseling network, and is the leader for MTW's member care in the Asia/Pacific region. Wayne and Amy invite you to join them in praying for God's name to be made known and worshiped in Japan.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9AM

Adults

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

9th - 12th Grade

History of the Canon, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade

Matthew to John, Room 91

3rd - 4th Grade

God's Design for Worship, Room 104

1st - 2nd Grade

Knowing Jesus, Room 102

PreK - Kindergarten

Jesus is God's Son, Room 107

Nursery

Toddler Nursery, Room 108

Infant Nursery, Room 106

FELLOWSHIP - 10AM

Donuts, coffee, and conversation in the gym

WORSHIP - 10:30AM

Nursery for 0-3 years, Rooms 108 & 106

Children's Church for ages 4 years through 2nd grade,
dismissed from service. Pick up in Room 103

**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

March Giving Goal:	\$52,520	YTD Giving Goal:	\$498,940
March Actual Giving:	\$39,117	YTD Giving Total:	\$491,676

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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

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