



BAY AREA

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 6, 2022

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

This image of the banquet remains, throughout the whole Bible, the central image of life. It is the image of life at its creation and also the image of life at its end and fulfillment: "...that you eat and drink at my table in my kingdom."

-Alexander Schmemmann

As a handful of sand thrown into the ocean, so are the sins of the flesh as compared to the mercy of God.

-Isaac of Ninevah

This is what God's kingdom is like: a bunch of outcasts and oddballs gathered at a table, not because they are rich or worthy or good, but because they are hungry, because they said yes.

-Rachel Held Evans

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 29: 1-2, 11

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,

People: Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

**All: The Lord gives strength to his people;
the Lord blesses his people with peace.**

**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 #53 (1,2,3,5)

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

PRAYER OF ADORATION

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
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.

SONGS OF PRAISE*

Only a Holy God
How Great (Psalm 145)

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and merciful Father, we admit before you that we often find it difficult to live in community with one another, as you call us to. We are judgmental toward others, particularly when you have given us strength in an area where they are weak. We frequently struggle with malice, hypocrisy, envy, deceit, and slander. Though at times we may control our tongues, in our minds we rehearse endlessly the sins and weaknesses of others, as we try to justify ourselves and feel superior. At times we cause others to stumble into sin, and so do damage to their hearts and souls. Father, forgive us for these many sins that we commit each and every day. We cast ourselves on your mercy and thank you for the blood of Christ, which cleanses us from all sin and for the obedience of Christ, which replaces our record of rebellion with the glory of his perfect holiness. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Isaiah 30:15, 18

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. Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion."

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Trinity Hymnal #457 (1,2,3)

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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.

Giving options include the offering box in the lobby, mailing a check to the church office at 670 E. Medical Center Blvd., Webster, TX 77598, or giving online at www.bapc.org/giveonline.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Rawson, Shafferman

By Christ Redeemed

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

2 Samuel 9:1-13

9 David asked, "Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake?"

² Now there was a servant of Saul's household named Ziba. They summoned him to appear before David, and the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?"

"At your service," he replied.

³ The king asked, "Is there no one still alive from the house of Saul to whom I can show God's kindness?"

Ziba answered the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is lame in both feet."

⁴ "Where is he?" the king asked.

Ziba answered, "He is at the house of Makir son of Ammiel in Lo Debar."

⁵ So King David had him brought from Lo Debar, from the house of Makir son of Ammiel.

⁶ When Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David, he bowed down to pay him honor.

David said, "Mephibosheth!"

"At your service," he replied.

⁷ "Don't be afraid," David said to him, "for I will surely show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan. I will restore to you all the land that belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will always eat at my table."

⁸ Mephibosheth bowed down and said, "What is your servant, that you should notice a dead dog like me?"

⁹ Then the king summoned Ziba, Saul's steward, and said to him, "I have given your master's grandson everything that belonged to Saul and his family. ¹⁰You and your sons and your servants are to farm the land for him and bring in the crops, so that your master's grandson may be provided for. And Mephibosheth, grandson of your master, will always eat at my table." (Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.)

¹¹ Then Ziba said to the king, "Your servant will do whatever my lord the king commands his servant to do." So Mephibosheth ate at David's table like one of the king's sons.

¹² Mephibosheth had a young son named Mika, and all the members of Ziba's household were servants of Mephibosheth. ¹³And Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, because he always ate at the king's table; he was lame in both feet.

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Table of Mercy

SONG OF PREPARATION*

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

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*

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

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.

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**

Today	Last Day to Drop Off Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes	
Today	Christmas Card Crafting	3:30pm
Today	Sunday Supper	5:30pm
11/8	Men's Bible Study: The Parables of Jesus	6:30am
11/8	Women's Zoom Study: Praying The Lord's Prayer	7:30pm
11/9	High School and Middle School Youth Group	7pm
11/10	Ladies' Lunch Out	11:30am
11/11	Friday Small Group	1:30pm
11/12	Anchor Point Run For Health	



Operation Christmas Child, Boxes Due Back Today

Please drop off your shoeboxes today, November 6th. You may also drop them off tonight at Sunday Supper or any day this week at the church office.



Sunday Supper, Tonight at 5:30pm

Grow in community with us through fellowship and a free meal on the first Sunday of every month. Join us on tonight at 5:30pm for a sausage smorgasbord. Please sign up to bring a side dish or a dessert and RSVP at bapc.org. We hope to see you there!



Deck the Halls, November 20th at 12:00pm

You're invited to join us as we prepare for Christmas by decorating the building! Please bring an appetizer or snack to share and plan to join us after worship for a fun and festive afternoon.



New Small Group, Fridays at 1:30pm

Study the Psalms with us as we navigate life's ups and downs! A new Small Group, led by Mike Bliss, and will meet at the church on Friday afternoons. If you've been looking to get connected to others at BAPC and grow in your understanding of and love for Scripture, we'd invite you to join us.

MISSIONS UPDATE



Frank and Cindy Sindler oversee MTW teams working in East Africa, providing care and oversight of many missionary teams in that region. In addition to his role of Regional Director, Frank is teaching and writing courses for pastoral training in Africa and managing an African agricultural development program. Please pray for the Sindlers as they work to train and equip Pastors, care for Missionary teams in East Africa, spread training in permaculture in collaboration with Foundations for Farming, and work to provide African churches with quality training and Christian education programs.

30 Days of Prayer for Global Missions



The missions committee invites you to join in a month of prayer for global missions during the month of November. Please pick up a prayer calendar on the missions table in the lobby or visit mtw.org/30dop.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Christmas Card Crafting
Today, 3:30-5:30pm

Please join us this afternoon from 3:30-5:30pm in the youth room as we make cards to place inside of the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. If you've been interested in learning to create handmade cards, we invite you to join us next Sunday. Materials will be provided. Contact Lynn Hilmers for more information.



Ladies' Lunch Out
November 10, 11:30am

Enjoy a lunch out and get to know the women of BAPC! This month, we'll bring our lunches to Texas Avenue Park and enjoy fellowship together. Children are welcome. We hope to see you there!



Women's Zoom Bible Study
Tuesdays, 7:30pm

You're invited to a study of *Praying the Lord's Prayer* by J.I. Packer each Tuesday night from the comfort of your home!

Together, we'll walk through Christ's pattern of prayer and learn how to strengthen our communication with him. For further details, please see the Women of the Way table in the lobby or contact Fran Bliss.

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Bible Study
Tuesdays, 6:30am

Looking to deepen your knowledge and enjoyment of Scripture— and get connected to other men at BAPC? Join us for coffee and study each Tuesday from 6:30-7:30am, as Chris D'Souza leads us through the parables of Jesus.



Men's Ministry Winter Kickoff
December 9, 7pm

You're invited to the home of Ethan Stahl on December 9th for food, beverages, and more as we get to know one another better and introduce our new Men's Ministry team. More details will be announced soon!

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Middle & High School Youth Groups
Wednesdays, 7pm

Build friendships, deepen your knowledge of God, and discover practical ways to live out your faith with us each Wednesday at 7PM!

High school students meet in the upstairs youth room, middle school guys in the conference room, and middle school girls in the upstairs middle school room.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Mike Bliss
 Next Week: Curtis Briggs

Deacon of the Day

Today: Morris Tuck
 Next Week: Dennis Radford

Greeters

Today: Cathy Mahlstedt + Kaija Penley
 Next Week: Kris Benavides + Niko Laliotitis

Children's Church

Today: Bullock Family
 Next Week: Lynn Hilmers + De Anne Meeh

Nursery

Today: Stahl Family
 Next Week: Henry Family

Communion Preparation

November: Marilyn Smith + Clay McCarty
 December: Jack + Heather Amuny

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9AM

Adults

Hebrews, Room 88

Youth Membership Class

Room 94

9th - 12th Grade

Westminster Confession of Faith, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade

Survey of the Old Testament, Room 91

3rd - 4th Grade

God's Grace in the Law, Room 104

1st - 2nd Grade

Obedying God, Room 102

PreK - Kindergarten

God Created All Things, 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

October Giving Goal:	\$65,650	YTD Giving Goal:	\$236,340
October Actual Giving:	\$47,744	YTD Giving Total:	\$193,552

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, Choir Director

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