

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 21, 2024

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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

Our struggle in living the Christian life is not doing, it is believing.

-John Owen

Grace is opposed to earning, not effort.

-Dallas Willard

The mark of the godly man is he likes to change. The mark of the godly man is he says, 'Lord, show me where I should change, and I'll do it. Show me where I should obey, even where it's hard, and I'll do it.

-Tim Keller

#### WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF PRAISE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 33

Leader:

Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous:

it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

People:

For the word of the LORD is right and true;

he is faithful in all he does.

Leader:

The LORD loves righteousness and justice:

the earth is full of his unfailing love.

People:

We wait in hope for the LORD;

he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice,

for we trust in his holy name.

All:

May your unfailing love be with us, LORD,

even as we put our hope in you.

Crown Him with Many Crowns

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

## **SONGS OF PRAISE\***

How Great (Psalm 145) Your Will Be Done

TIME OF RENEWAL

#### **CALL TO RENEWAL**

Isaiah 55:6-8

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely pardon. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Heavenly Father, our thoughts and motives cannot be hidden from your sight. Our self-pity and pride, our cowardice and sloth, our anger and envy are exposed to your eyes and ours. Forgive us, O Lord, and cover us in Christ. Let us hear your voice saying, "His blood is our peace, his death is our freedom, his Spirit our power, his smiting our safety." Let our hearts know that in your service is perfect freedom. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

## PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

## WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Luke 1.76-78

And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him, to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven

## **HYMN OF RESPONSE\***

Trinity Hymnal #499 (1,2,3,4)

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

- 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

Please visit

bapc.org/give

Cash or Check
Lobby box or mailed
to the church office

Text Message Text "Give" to 833-921-6502

## **CHORAL ANTHEM**

Watts, alt., Clemens

Awake, My Heart

## 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 Romans 6:1-14

**6** What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

<sup>12</sup>Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. <sup>13</sup>Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

MESSAGE Pastor Chris Yates

Knowing the Living God - A Study of Romans Slaves No More

## **SONG OF RESPONSE\***

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

## **BENEDICTION\***

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Welcome! We're glad you are here with us today. To find out more about our upcoming events, studies, and more please visit bapc.org/announcements

4/24	Middle School and High School Youth Groups	7pm
4/24	Discover BAPC	7pm
4/27	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	8am



## New Adult Class - Sundays at 9am

Join us for an 8-week interactive training on evangelism and discipleship! The first 5 weeks will focus on Scripture study, Gospel sharing techniques, and building confidence using these tools. The final 3 weeks will cover discipleship basics, including understanding how people change and discipling through difficult topics such as anxiety and fear.



## 2024 Directory - Photos Today After Worship

We're updating our directory for 2024! If you have moved or changed your contact info, please reach out to the church office at <a href="mailto:bapc@bapc.org">bapc@bapc.org</a>. If you'd like to be added to this year's directory, please reach out to Whitney at <a href="mailto:wkelley@bapc.org">wkelley@bapc.org</a>. Directory photos will be taken after worship today and April 28.



## **Nursery Help Needed!**

Help train up the next generation by serving in our nursery! We're seeking 6 (or more) volunteers to serve in the nursery during the Sunday School hour, alongside Flora and another volunteer. If you are willing to sign up or would like more information, please contact Hannah Stahl by phone or email at hstahl@bapc.org.



## Sunday Supper - Sunday, May 5th at 5:30pm

You're invited to our monthly fellowship dinner at 5:30pm on May 5th, as we grow in community with one another! The main dish will be provided; additions of side dishes and desserts are welcome. Please RSVP at bapc.org/announcements. We hope to see you there!



Today: Curtis Briggs Next Week: Chris D'Souza

## Communion Preparation

May: Kathy Felts June: Linda Hendrickson

## **Toddler Nursery**

Today: Stahl Family Next Week: Owens Family

## VOLUNTEER ROTATION

#### Deacon of the Day

Today: John Cover Next Week: Dennis Radford

#### Greeters

Today: Shaw Family Next Week: Marilyn Smith + Eric Simpson

#### Coffee & Donuts

Today: Lynn Hershey Next Week: Ethan Bouck

#### Infant Nurserv

Today: Caroline Boone Next Week: Laura Gelber

#### Children's Church

Today: Banks Family Next Week: Andrew Boone + De Anne Meeh

## MEN'S MINISTRY



## Men's Breakfast Saturday, April 27th at 8am

Join us for breakfast, a devotional, and a chance to connect with other men who are also seeking to live for Christ.

## YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



## Unsung Hero Screening Sunday, April 28, 1pm

Middle, High School, and College students are invited to a free screening of <u>Unsung</u>
Hero at Cinemark 18 in Webster!

Afterwards, we'll have a chance for Q&A with the movie's writer & co-director, Richard Ramsey. RSVP is required for this event, please email Curtis Briggs at curtisbriggs@live.com.



## VBS Registration Now Open June 3-7, 9am-12pm

To register your children up for VBS, please visit bapc.org/vbs. If you're able to help with this year's VBS, even for a

day or two, please scan the QR code to the left or visit bapc.org/announcements.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY



## Ladies' Game Night Saturday, May 18th at 6pm

Grab your favorite board or card game & snack and meet us at Melissa Smith's home for a night of fun and games!

If you need the address, please contact the church office or pick up a directory from the table in the lobby.

#### MISSIONS UPDATE -



# April Missionary of the Month Michael and Lindie Wadhams

Throughout April, please be in prayer for the Wadhams, who reside in Washington and serve the Lummi and Nooksack tribes

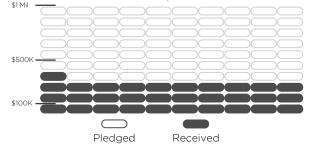
there, as well as the Tohono O'odham people of Arizona. Please join us in praying that the Lord would raise up Native American church leaders to shepherd their people, that he would strengthen the local churches that serve these tribes, and encourage the teams serving these people, as they seek to foster relationships of trust and respect, demonstrating God's love for the tribes through deeds of mercy and hospitality.

#### NEHEMIAH PROJECT -

## Initial Goal Period November 2023-2024

Amount Pledged: \$311,070 Amount Received: \$315,456 Current Mortgage Balance: \$715,700

Additional principal payments will be made on the last day of each month.



Pledge Cards Collected: 17

#### Adults

Gospel Conversations, Room 88

#### 9th - 12th Grade

Judges, Youth Room

#### 5th - 8th Grade

Implementing God's Word, Room 91

#### 3rd - 4th Grade

Listening to Jesus, Room 104

#### 1st - 2nd Grade

Loving Jesus, Room 102

#### PreK - Kindergarten

Jesus Is God. Room 107

#### Nurserv

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

## **Monthly Giving**

April Giving Goal: \$51,529

April Actual Giving: \$37,739

Amount Under: (\$13,790)

## **Annual Giving**

July 2023-June 2024 Annual Budget Goal:

Received as of 3/31/24:

Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal:

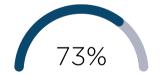
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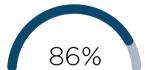
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\$588,509

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Curtis Briggs Chris D'Souza Mike Smith

#### Deacons

John Cover Dennis Radford Steve Ramsev