



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 26, 2026

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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 foundation of the Christian's peace is everlasting; it is what no time, no change can destroy. It will remain when the body dies; it will remain when the mountains depart and the hills shall be removed, and when the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll. The fountain of His comfort shall never be diminished, and the stream shall never be dried. His comfort and joy is a living spring in the soul, a well of water springing up to everlasting life.

-Jonathan Edwards

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

Call to Worship*

Psalm 95:1-2

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
People: Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
Leader: Let us come before him with thanksgiving
All: And extol him with music and song.
Hallelujah!

**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 #604 (1,3,4,6)

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Prayer of Adoration

Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism, No. 1-3

Leader: What is the chief end of man?

All: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Leader: What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

All: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

Leader: What do the Scriptures principally teach?

All: The Scriptures principally teach what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

Songs of Praise*

Victory in Jesus (Christ Won the Victory)

The Lord Almighty Reigns (Psalm 93)

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

Confession of Sin

Mighty and gracious God, your Word reveals the truth about our thoughts and intentions, exposing the sins we hide. We confess that our hearts are often self-centered and divided. We harbor anger, jealousy, envy, and impure desires, even while appearing outwardly righteous. Even our good deeds are mixed with pride, and we seek the approval of others rather than your glory. Forgive us not only for our actions but for our corrupt hearts. Help us not to despair under guilt, but to rest in the truth that in Christ our sins are fully forgiven and we are clothed in his righteousness. In His name, Amen.

Private Confession and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Acts 13:38-39

Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses.

Song of Assurance*

Nailed to the Cross

The Prayers of the People *(concluded 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.**

————— 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

The Walls of Zion

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.

Scripture

Philippians 1:12-18

¹² Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. ¹³ As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ. ¹⁴ And because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear.

¹⁵ It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. ¹⁶ The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. ¹⁸ But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice.

Sermon

Pastor Chris Yates

A Study in Philippians

When Our Struggles Become God's Strategy

Hymn of Response*

Trinity Hymnal #691 (1,2,3,4)

It Is Well With My Soul

Benediction*

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**The benediction is much more than a wish or even a prayer. It is a renewed ordination of the people of God to their service to each other, to their community and the world. God declares his own favor toward his people.*

Welcome! We're glad you are here with us today.

To find out more about our upcoming events, visit bapc.org/announcements

Today	Grace of God (Morada)	1:30pm
4/27	Women's Zoom Bible Study	7:30pm
4/28	The Orchard Small Group	7pm
4/29	Women's Bible Study	10am
4/29	Youth Group	7pm
4/29	Choir Rehearsal	7pm
5/3	Communion	10:30am
5/3	Sunday Supper	5:30pm



2026 Directory & Photos Begins Today After Worship

A PDF of the 2025 directory was sent out via email on Monday. Please take a moment to review your family's entry for accuracy and contact Whitney if you have any updates, or if you'd like to be added to this year's edition. Directory photos will be taken outside after worship today and 5/3, 5/10, and 5/17.



Children's Church Volunteers Sundays at 11am

Our Children's Church ministry is in need of 4 more couples to join our rotation and share the Gospel with BAPC's youngest members! Want to learn more about what Children's Church entails? Please contact Hannah Stahl. Ready to jump in? Visit bapc.org/cc.



4BDRN Saturday Serve Saturday May 2, 8am-12pm

Restore homes devastated by natural disasters and get to know others at BAPC by serving alongside them! No tools or experience required; open to ages 10+. Please sign up at bapc.org/announcements and meet us at 2700B Texas Ave, Texas City.



Deacon's Fund Offering Sunday May 3, 10:30am

Our Deacons will pass the offering plates next Sunday, May 3, for the quarterly Deacons' Fund offering. Thank you for your faithful generosity, which enables us to care for those within our church family.



Sunday Supper Sunday May 3, 5:30pm

Meet new faces and reconnect with familiar ones at our monthly fellowship dinners! May's entree will be chicken drumsticks. Please RSVP at bapc.org/announcements and bring a side or dessert to share!



VBS June 1-5, 9am-12pm

VBS is just around the corner and we'd love to have you join us for a journey to Rome to meet Paul and see the early church spread! To register your children or to volunteer, please visit bapc.org/vbs.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Curtis Briggs
Next Week: Mike Bliss

Deacon of the Day

Today: Ethan Stahl
Next Week: Pete Meeh

Nursery (9am)

Today: Bouck Family
Next Week: J. Farland + TBD

Communion Preparation

May: Kathy Felts
June: Linda Hendrickson

Greeters

Today: Gilbert Family
Next Week: Benitez Family

Infant Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Jessica Dill
Next Week: Kathy Felts

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Ethan Stahl
Next Week: Ethan Bouck

Children's Church

Today: Juli Simpson
Next Week: S. Benitez + M. Ortega

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Porter Family
Next Week: R. Henry + TBD

GIVING UPDATE

Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026

Monthly Giving

April Giving Goal:	\$53,846
April Actual Giving:	\$39,622
Amount Under:	(\$14,224)

Annual Giving

Annual Budget Goal:	\$700,000
Received to Date:	\$558,003
Remaining to Annual Goal:	\$141,997



At current giving rates, forecasted full-year giving is approximately \$637,499.

MISSIONS UPDATE



Michael and Lindie Wadhams serve in cross-cultural ministry with North American indigenous nations through Mission to the World. Their ministry includes mentorship and discipleship opportunities, with the goal of building churches and raising up indigenous leaders to participate in cross-tribal outreach. They are preparing for an upcoming move to Arizona, where they will serve several tribal communities—including the Tohono O'odham nation—while also continuing to support ongoing ministry among tribal nations in the Pacific Northwest. Please join us in praying for this transition, and that God would raise up believers and church leaders within these communities.

Adults

Minor Prophets, Room 88

9th - 12th Grade

1 & 2 Peter, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade

John, Room 91

3rd - 4th Grade

God's Growing Church, Room 104

1st - 2nd Grade

Serving God, Room 102

PreK - Kindergarten

Jesus Storybook Bible, Room 107

Nursery

Toddler Nursery, Room 108

Infant Nursery, Room 109

**Children in PreK-2nd grade begin the Sunday School hour in Room 105 with a time of singing and musical instruction from our Choir Director, Kathy Wright.*

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Chris Yates, Pastor

Kaitlin Fenner, Director of Business Operations

Whitney Kelley, Director of Communications & Media

Traci Lewis, Director of Accounting

Marcy Ramsey, Assistant to the Pastor

Hannah Stahl, Director of Youth & Children's Ministries

Kathy Wright, Director of Choirs

Elders

Jack Amuny

Mike Bliss

Tim Bonvillian

Curtis Briggs

Bill Calhoun

Grady Crosland

Deacons

Daniel Henderson-Ede

Andrew Kroese

Pete Meeh

Ethan Stahl