

Bay Area PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 14, 2024

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Order of Worship

January 14, 2024 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

A God without wrath brought men without sin into a Kingdom without judgment through the ministrations of a Christ without a Cross.

-H. Richard Niebuhr

The depravity of man is at once the most empirically verifiable reality, but at the same time the most intellectually resisted fact. -Malcolm Muggerridge

If I am in denial about my own weaknesses and sin, there will be a concomitant blindness to the greatness and glory of God.

-Tim Keller

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

– TIME OF PRAISE –

CALL TO WORSHIP

Daniel 2:20-23

- Leader:Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever;
wisdom and power are his.People:He changes times and seasons;
he deposes kings and raises up others.
He gives wisdom to the wise
and knowledge to the discerning.Leader:He reveals deep and hidden things;
he knows what lies in darkness,
and light dwells with him.
- People: I thank and praise you, God of my ancestors: You have given me wisdom and power, you have made known to me what we asked of you, you have made known to us the dream of the king.

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

HYMN OF ADORATION*

Crown Him With Many Crowns

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

Psalm 8 (How Majestic Is Your Name) Come Praise and Glorify

TIME OF RENEWAL

CALL TO RENEWAL

1 John 1:8-10

Isaiah 55.7

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Our God and Father in heaven, we confess that we have fled when you have sought us, we have stopped our ears when you have spoken to us, we have forgotten the good you bring to us, and we have despised your correction for us. Yet, in our lostness, you have sent Christ to help us as our mediator and redeemer, whose blood is our peace, whose righteousness is our strength, whose condemnation is our freedom, whose Spirit is our power, and whose heaven is our heritage. Grant us the strength to subdue that within us that must be changed, in losing us from those things that would bind, supporting us in trials, near us in temptation, cleansing our consciences of offense before you and others. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

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.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

The Church's One Foundation

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

Havergal, Wesley, arr. Whitworth

Prayer for the New Year

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 3:1-20

3 Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the value of circumcision? ²Much in every way. To begin with, the Jews were entrusted with the oracles of God. ³What if some were unfaithful? Does their faithlessness nullify the faithfulness of God? ⁴By no means! Let God be true though every one were a liar, as it is written,

"That you may be justified in your words, and prevail when you are judged."

⁵ But if our unrighteousness serves to show the righteousness of God, what shall we say? That God is unrighteous to inflict wrath on us? (I speak in a human way.) ⁶By no means! For then how could God judge the world? ⁷But if through my lie God's truth abounds to his glory, why am I still being condemned as a sinner? ⁸And why not do evil that good may come?—as some people slanderously charge us with saying. Their condemnation is just. ⁹ What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin, ¹⁰as it is written:

"None is righteous, no, not one;

- ¹¹ no one understands;
 - no one seeks for God.
- ¹² All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one."
- ¹³ "Their throat is an open grave;
 - they use their tongues to deceive."
 - "The venom of asps is under their lips."
- ¹⁴ "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness."
- ¹⁵ "Their feet are swift to shed blood;
- ¹⁶ in their paths are ruin and misery,
- ¹⁷ and the way of peace they have not known."
- ¹⁸ "There is no fear of God before their eyes."

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God.²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Knowing the Living God - A Study of Romans *Righteous? Not Even One!*

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

BENEDICTION*

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

1/16	Women's Study: Spiritually Fit (Zoom)	7:30pm
1/17	Women's Study: Spiritually Fit (In-Person)	10am & 7pm
1/17	Middle School Youth Groups	7pm
1/19	Men's Evening Bible Study	7pm
1/21	Mission Trip Casserole Sale	12pm



New Adult Sunday School Class: Putting Our Bibles Together

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9am as Chris D'Souza leads us in a new adult Sunday School series! This class will investigate eleven key Old Testament passages that play a central role in understanding the Person and Work of Christ so that we can get over our fear of the Old Testament and learn the central themes of the Bible, from one end to the other.



Church Officer Nominations

We encourage you to prayerfully shape the leadership of our church by nominating men to be trained as an Elder or Deacon, or by considering serving as an officer of BAPC. Nomination forms are available in the lobby. For more information, please see an Elder or email the church office.



BAPC Mission Trip Casserole Sale, January 21st at 12pm

The 2024 Mission Trip team will be hosting a casserole sale to raise funds for travel expenses, VBS materials, and other needs for this year's trip. Swing by the conference room after worship next Sunday to pick up a homemade casserole for \$25!



Sunday Supper - Chili Cook Off, February 4th at 5:30pm

Join us for fellowship and a delicious contest of skill as we crown the 2024 Chili Champion! To RSVP to attend February's Sunday Supper, or to sign up as a cook off competitor, please visit bapc.org/announcements

Elder of the Dav

Today: Mike Smith Next Week: Curtis Briggs

Communion Preparation

February: Linda Hendrickson March: Clay McCarty + Marilyn Smith

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

VOLUNTEER ROTATION Deacon of the Day

Today: Dennis Radford

Next Week: John Cover

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Kyle Bullock Next Week: Lynn Hershey

Infant Nursery Today: Kathryn Felts Next Week: Connie D'Souza

Toddler Nurserv

Today: Cavanaugh Family Next Week: Bouck Family

Children's Church

Today: Alison + Joshua Banks Next Week: Andrew Boone

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Evening Bible Study Friday, January 19th at 7pm

Start the new year with a renewed sense of purpose and direction, anchored in the teachings of Christ. Together, we'll delve

into the "I Am" statements of Christ. Join us in Room 88 for a look at Jesus, the Bread of Life.



Men's Fellowship Breakfast Saturday, January 27th at 8am

Men, college age and up, are invited to join us for breakfast, a short devotional, and fellowship in Room 88. Grow in

community with the men of BAPC and be strengthened in your relationship with Christ!

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 will resume meeting 1/24, middle school guys meet in the conference room and middle school girls in the upstairs middle school room.



MISSIONS UPDATE -

During the month of January, please be praying for Craig and Heather Gahagen, who serve in the Amazon region of Peru through a cooperative between Mission to the World (MTW) and South America

Mission (SAM). Craig is the director of SAMAIR, which flies missionaries into remote regions of the jungle, so that they may spread God's word where there are no roads. These flights save missionaries weeks of travel by foot and canoe. In addition, he and Heather are leaders in their local church, Mil Palmeras. Please pray that God would continue to grant them endurance and resources as they seek to spread the gospel in these remote areas through aviation, and that Mil Palmeras would be able to engage their city of Pucallpa and beyond.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Chronological Bible Reading Plan Through The Daily Grace Co.

It's not too late to join us as we read through the Bible in a year! You can join online for free using the YouVersion app or purchase

the companion books from <u>thedailygraceco.com</u>. If you already participate in YouVersion devotionals with our Women of the Way ministry, look for an invitation from Marcy Ramsey in your app. Looking to get started for the first time? Please contact Marcy or the church office.



Spiritually Fit Beginning January 9th

Exercise your Bible study muscles with us in 2024! Join Marilyn Smith, Fran Bliss, and Amy Antill as they share years of knowledge and

practical tools to help you dig into the Word during this 4-session class. Sign up at the Women of the Way table in the lobby or at <u>bapc.org/women</u>.



I & II Peter and Jude Study Beginning February 6 & 7

Join us for study and grow in authentic community with us as we seek to understand and apply the truths in 1 & II Peter and Jude!

We'll discuss the importance of holding fast to the true gospel, living distinct, holy lives, and looking ahead to the return of Christ. Sign up at bapc.org/women!

- NEHEMIAH PROJECT -

Initial Goal Period November 2023-2024

Amount Pledged: \$306,670 Amount Received: \$198,991 Current Mortgage Balance: \$854,584

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



Adults Putting Our Bibles Together, Room 88

> **9th - 12th Grade** Galatians, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade Implementing God's Word, Room 91

3rd - 4th Grade

Worshiping God, Room 104

1st - 2nd Grade Living Together, Room 102

PreK - Kindergarten Living in Gods Family, 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.

GIVING UPDATE

Monthly Giving

January Giving Goal:	\$51,529
January Actual Giving:	\$20,326
Amount Under:	(\$31,203)



Annual Giving

July 2023-June 2024 Annual Budget Goal:	\$682,760
Received as of 1/7/24:	\$380,417
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal:	(\$302,343)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall:	(\$0)



STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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