



# Bay Area PRESBYTERIAN

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 18, 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

God raised the storm not to drown the prophet, but to awaken him.

-John Chrysostom

God does not abandon His purpose when His servant resists; He accomplishes mercy even through judgment.

-Athanasius

Running from God is never a theological problem; it is a moral one.

-J.I. Packer

The church's greatest scandal is not opposition from the world, but indifference within its own walls.

-Lesslie Newbigin

## Words of Welcome and Announcements

## Preparation for Worship

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TIME OF PRAISE

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### Call to Worship\*

Psalm 57

Leader: Awake, my soul!

People: **I will praise you, Lord, among the nations;  
I will sing of you among the peoples.**

Leader: For great is your love, reaching to the heavens;

People: **Your faithfulness reaches to the skies.**

All: **Be exalted, O God, above the heavens;  
Let your glory be over all the earth. Hallelujah!**

\*Please stand if you are able.

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

## **Hymn of Adoration\***

Trinity Hymnal #295 (1,2,4)

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

## **Prayer of Adoration**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

Our World Belongs to God, St. 6

Leader: When God calls us and we are tempted to run,  
how do we respond in faith and obedience?

All: **We rejoice in the goodness of God,  
renounce the works of darkness,  
and dedicate ourselves to holy living.  
As God's covenant people,  
set free for joyful obedience,  
we offer our hearts and lives  
to do God's work in the world.  
With tempered impatience,  
eager to see injustice ended,  
we expect the Day of the Lord.  
We are confident  
that the light  
which shines in the present darkness  
will fill the earth  
when Christ appears.  
Come, Lord Jesus.  
Our world belongs to you.**

## **Songs of Praise\***

*It Was Finished Upon That Cross  
The God We Love (Nicene Creed)*

## Confession of Sin

Eternal and Glorious God, your grace calls us toward growth and service in you. Yet today we acknowledge the many times we have forgotten your mercy and rejected your love. Forgive us when we sin against you through our thoughts, words, and deeds. Forgive us when we neglect to think, speak, and do as you desire. Renew and restore us, O God. Help us to run the race you put before us with perseverance, patience, and passion. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Private Confession and Reflection

## Assurance of Pardon

Hosea 14:1-4

Return, Israel, to the LORD your God. Your sins have been your downfall! Take words with you and return to the LORD. Say to him: Forgive all our sins and receive us graciously, that we may offer the fruit of our lips. Assyria cannot save us; we will not mount warhorses. We will never again say 'Our gods' to what our own hands have made, for in you the fatherless find compassion.

I will heal their waywardness and love them freely, for my anger has turned away from them.

## Song of Assurance\*

*Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*

## **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](http://bapc.org/give)

Cash or Check  
*Lobby box or mailed  
to the church office*

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

## **Choral Anthem**

Herrick, Rutter

*What Sweeter Music*

## **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** *(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.**

## Scripture

Jonah 1:1-16

<sup>1</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me.” <sup>3</sup>But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD.

<sup>4</sup>But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up. <sup>5</sup>Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried out to his god. And they hurled the cargo that was in the ship into the sea to lighten it for them. But Jonah had gone down into the inner part of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. <sup>6</sup>So the captain came and said to him, “What do you mean, you sleeper? Arise, call out to your god! Perhaps the god will give a thought to us, that we may not perish.”

<sup>7</sup>And they said to one another, “Come, let us cast lots, that we may know on whose account this evil has come upon us.” So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. <sup>8</sup>Then they said to him, “Tell us on whose account this evil has come upon us. What is your occupation? And where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?” <sup>9</sup>And he said to them, “I am a Hebrew, and I fear the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.” <sup>10</sup>Then the men were exceedingly afraid and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.

<sup>11</sup>Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea grew more and more tempestuous. <sup>12</sup>He said to them, “Pick me up and hurl me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great tempest has come upon you.” <sup>13</sup>Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to get back to dry land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more tempestuous against them. <sup>14</sup>Therefore they called out to the LORD, “O LORD, let us not perish for this man’s life, and lay not on us innocent blood, for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you.” <sup>15</sup>So they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. <sup>16</sup>Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows.

## Sermon

Pastor Chris Yates

### ***The Prophet Who Runs | The God Who Redeems***

*Running From God*

## Song of Response\*

O Church Arise

## Benediction\*

Jude 24-25

To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

\*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.

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Welcome! We're glad you are here with us today.  
To find out more about our upcoming events, visit [bapc.org/announcements](http://bapc.org/announcements)

Today	Sunday School & Small Groups	9am
Today	Congregational Meeting	12pm
Today	Monthly Prayer Group	6pm
1/19	Women's Bible Study (Zoom)	7:30pm
1/20	The Orchard	7pm
1/21	Women's Bible Study (In Person)	10am & 7pm
1/21	Choir Rehearsal	7pm
1/21	Youth Group	7pm
1/25	Grace of God (Morada)	1:30pm



### The Timothy Project

Now through January 31

With The Nehemiah Project complete and our mortgage paid off, we're excited to announce a matching giving campaign, aimed at building resources in anticipation of calling a new Associate or Assistant Pastor to BAPC. Want to join us? Give by check (memo line: Timothy Project) or online at [bapc.org/give](http://bapc.org/give)



### Prayer Group

Tonight, 6pm

Pray with us for those in our lives, community, and across the world who don't yet know Christ! You don't have to be comfortable with praying out loud- just join us as we lift others up to God together.



### Officer Nominations

Available in the lobby

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. Blue nomination forms are available in the lobby.



### Grace of God

Next Sunday, 1:30-3pm

Share the community of Christ with residents of nursing homes in the Clear Lake Area! Next Sunday, we'll meet at Morada (1310 S Friendswood Dr) for songs, a devotional, and to visit with the residents. Interested in joining us? We'd love to see you there!



### 2025 Giving Statements

Available now at [bapc.org/login](http://bapc.org/login)

Access your 2025 giving statement anytime at [bapc.org/login](http://bapc.org/login). Should you need additional assistance, please call the church office. Thank you for your faithful support of BAPC in 2025.



### Men's Breakfast

Saturday, January 24th at 8am

Join us for a hot breakfast, devotional, and discussion on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month! We'll continue our series on Hebrews with a devotional on Jesus as our high priest.

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VOLUNTEER ROTATION

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**Elder of the Day**

Today: B. Calhoun  
Next Week: C. Briggs

**Deacon of the Day**

Today: A. Kroese  
Next Week: J. Cover

**Nursery (9am)**

Today: Ochoa Family + L. Cavanaugh  
Next Week: N. Ochoa

**Communion Preparation**

February: L. Hendrickson  
March: C. McCarty

**Greeters**

Today: Shaw Family  
Next Week: Gilbert Family

**Infant Nursery (10:30am)**

Today: TBD  
Next Week: TBD

**Coffee & Donuts**

Today: C. McCarty  
Next Week: E. Stahl

**Children's Church**

Today: Kroese Family  
Next Week: TBD

**Toddler Nursery (10:30am)**

Today: A. Briggs + A. Briggs  
Next Week: M. Ortega

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MISSIONS CORNER

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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.

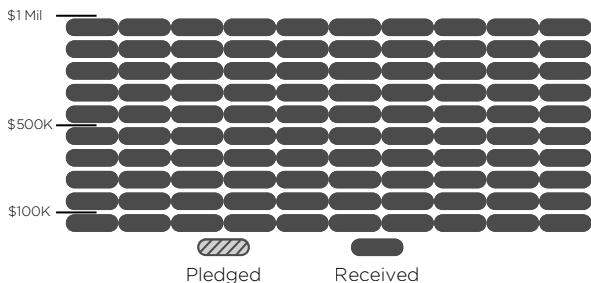
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NEHEMIAH PROJECT

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**Third Year Goal Period  
November 2025-2026**

Amount Received: \$145,020

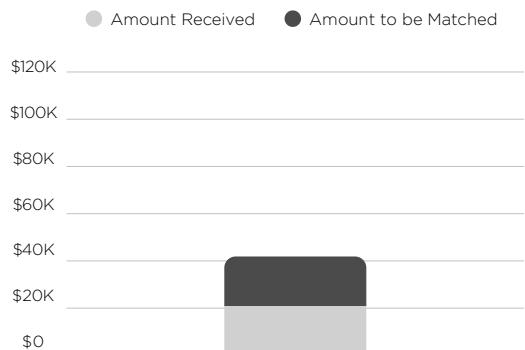


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TIMOTHY PROJECT

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Amount Received: \$20,936  
Amount to be Matched: \$20,936  
Total: \$41,873



**Adults**

Theology Light, Room 88

*Shedding light on what we believe and why we believe it*

**9th - 12th Grade**

Colossians, Youth Room

**5th - 8th Grade**

John, Room 91

**3rd - 4th Grade**

God's Design for Worship, 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.*

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GIVING UPDATE

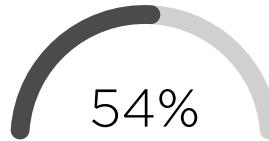
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**Monthly Giving**

January Giving Goal: \$53,846  
January Actual Giving: \$55,051  
Amount Under: \$0

**Annual Giving**

July 2025-June 2026 Annual Budget Goal: \$700,000  
Received as of 1/11/26: \$376,304  
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: \$323,696  
Year To Date Budget Shortfall: (\$619)



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STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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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  
Bill Calhoun

**Deacons**

John Cover  
Andrew Kroese  
Pete Meeh