



# Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

January 28, 2024

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# Order of Worship

January 28, 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

In the Bible the verb “justify” means “to count righteous” not “to make righteous.”  
-Sinclair Ferguson

The most damnable and pernicious heresy that has ever plagued the mind of man was the idea that somehow he could make himself good enough to deserve to live with an all-holy God.  
-Martin Luther

When God accepts a sinner, He is, in fact, only accepting Christ. He looks into the sinner’s eyes, and He sees His own dear Son’s image there, and He takes him in.  
-Charles Spurgeon

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 12

Leader: Give praise to the LORD,  
proclaim his name;

**People: Make known among the nations what he has done,  
and proclaim that his name is exalted.**

Leader: Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things;  
let this be known to all the world.

**All: Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion,  
for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.**

## HYMN OF ADORATION\*

Trinity Hymnal #457 (1,2,3)

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

\*Please stand if you are able.

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

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## PRAYER OF ADORATION

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Q. 60

Leader: How are you right with God?

People: **Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.**

## SONGS OF PRAISE\*

*Oh Love That Will Not Let Me Go*  
*Living Hope*

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

## CALL TO RENEWAL

Psalm 103:11-13

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy Lord, we are guilty—of pride and unbelief, of failure to find your mind in your Word, of neglect in seeking you in our daily lives. Our violations and shortcomings present our consciences with a long list of accusations, but they shall not stand! For we lay them all now on Christ, our Sacrifice and Advocate. Go on now, Father, to subdue our weaknesses and selfishness, granting us grace to live above them. Let us not be mastered by them, but now rule over us in liberty and power. We praise and thank you for your wisdom and love, for sometimes putting us into the furnace to refine our gold and remove our dross. Deliver us from every evil habit, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us from taking our deepest delight in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

### WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

### SONG OF RESPONSE\*

*Is He Worthy?*

————— 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

Pierpoint, Rutter

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

### 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 4:1-8

<sup>4</sup> What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, discovered in this matter? <sup>2</sup>If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about—but not before God. <sup>3</sup>What does Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.”

<sup>4</sup> Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. <sup>5</sup>However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness. <sup>6</sup>David says the same thing when he speaks of the blessedness of the one to whom God credits righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup> “Blessed are those  
whose transgressions are forgiven,  
whose sins are covered.

<sup>8</sup> Blessed is the one  
whose sin the Lord will never count against them.”

## MESSAGE

*Pastor Chris Yates*

Knowing the Living God - A Study of Romans  
*Rock of Ages - Cleft for Me*

## HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

Trinity Hymnal #500 (1-4)

*Rock of Ages*

## BENEDICTION\*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**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](https://bapc.org/announcements)**

1/30	Women's Study: Spiritually Fit (Zoom)	7:30pm
1/31	Women's Study: Spiritually Fit (In-Person)	10am & 7pm
1/31	Middle School and High School Youth Groups	7pm
2/4	Communion Sunday	10:30am
2/4	Chili Cook Off	5:30pm



### **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](https://bapc.org/announcements).



### **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 and at [bapc.org/officer](https://bapc.org/officer). For more information, please see an Elder or email the church office.



### **Parents Night Out, Saturday February 10, 5-8pm**

Kids infant through 5th grade are invited to enjoy an early Valentine's party with us, while parents enjoy a night out! After dinner, groups will rotate through stations for crafts, games, and a bounce house. All proceeds will benefit the 2024 mission trip. Space is limited, registration is available at [bapc.org/pno](https://bapc.org/pno).



### **2023 Giving Statements, Now Available**

Access your 2023 giving statement anytime at [bapc.org/login](https://bapc.org/login). Should you need additional assistance, please call the church office. Thank you for your faithful support of BAPC in 2023.

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## VOLUNTEER ROTATION

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### **Elder of the Day**

Today: Mike Bliss  
Next Week: Curtis Briggs

### **Deacon of the Day**

Today: Steve Ramsey  
Next Week: David Kelley

### **Coffee & Donuts**

Today: Ethan Bouck  
Next Week: Clay McCarty

### **Communion Preparation**

February: Linda Hendrickson  
March: Clay McCarty + Marilyn Smith

### **Greeters**

Today: Marilyn Smith + Eric Simpson  
Next Week: Cathy Mahlstedt +  
Kris Benavides

### **Infant Nursery**

Today: Caroline Boone  
Next Week: Laura Gelber

### **Toddler Nursery**

Today: Stahl Family  
Next Week: Owens Family

### **Children's Church**

Today: Whitney Kelley + De Anne Meeh  
Next Week: Sam + Josh Kroese

MEN'S MINISTRY



**Men's Bible Study**  
**Friday, February 16 at 7pm**

Join us for a study on John 10:9, as we discuss Jesus as "The Door" and deepen our community with the men of BAPC.



**Men's Retreat**  
**March 22 & 23**

Save the date for a weekend of food, fellowship, and study on the "I Am" statements of Christ.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



**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 I & 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!](http://bapc.org/women!)

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 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

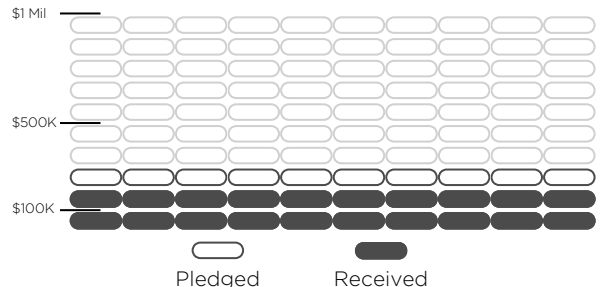
Mission (SAM). Craig is the director of SAMAIR, which flies missionaries into remote regions of the jungle, so that they may spread God's word where there are no roads. These flights save missionaries weeks of travel by foot and canoe. In addition, he and Heather are leaders in their local church, Mil 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.

NEHEMIAH PROJECT

**Initial Goal Period**  
**November 2023-2024**

Amount Pledged: \$309,070  
Amount Received: \$201,216  
Current Mortgage Balance: \$854,584

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



*Pledge Cards Collected: 17*

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL AT BAY AREA PRESBYTERIAN

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## 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.*

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## GIVING UPDATE

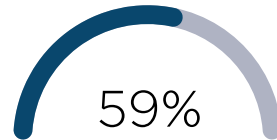
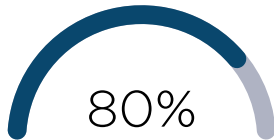
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### Monthly Giving

January Giving Goal: \$51,529  
January Actual Giving: \$41,274  
Amount Under: (\$10,255)

### Annual Giving

July 2023-June 2024 Annual Budget Goal: \$682,760  
Received as of 1/21/24: \$401,365  
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: (\$281,395)  
Year To Date Budget Shortfall: (\$0)



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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  
Hannah Stahl, Director of Youth & Children's Ministries  
Kathy Wright, Director of Choirs

**Elders**  
Mike Bliss  
Curtis Briggs  
Chris D'Souza  
Mike Smith

**Deacons**  
John Cover  
David Kelley  
Dennis Radford  
Steve Ramsey

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