

Bay Area PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 1, 2025

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Order of Worship

June 1, 2025 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

Lament is a cry of belief in a good God, a God who has His ear to our hearts, a God who transfigures the ugly into beauty. Complaint is the bitter howl of unbelief in any benevolent God in this moment, a distrust in the love-beat of the Father's heart.

-Ann Voskamp

Lament, repentance, reconciliation and justice are not peripheral to the gospel but intrinsic to it. -Mark DeYmaz

Of all the people on the planet, Christians know the arc of redemptive history. We know what's going to happen at the end. We know of the One who makes all wrongs right. And so it just seems to me that, of all the people on the planet, Christians ought to be the ones who master the language for the in-between world, and that is the language of lament.

-Mark Vroegop

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME OF PRAISE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 18:1-3; 30-32

Leader:	l love you, LORD, my strength.
	The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;
People:	My God is my rock, in whom I take refuge,
	my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
Leader:	I called to the LORD, who is worthy of praise,
	and I have been saved from my enemies.
People:	As for God, his way is perfect:
	The LORD's word is flawless;
	he shields all who take refuge in him.
Leader:	For who is God besides the LORD?
	And who is the Rock except our God?
All:	It is God who arms me with strength
	and keeps my way secure. Hallelujah!

HYMN OF ADORATION*

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

How Great (Psalm 145) From the Depths of Woe (Psalm 130)

TIME OF RENEWAL -

CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION & REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- Leader: And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.
- People: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near

TIME OF COMMITMENT -

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Temple, sett. Holstein

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

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.

2 Samuel 1:1-27

SCRIPTURE

¹⁷ And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and Jonathan his son, ¹⁸ and he said it should be taught to the people of Judah; behold, it is written in the Book of Jashar. He said:

- ¹⁹ "Your glory, O Israel, is slain on your high places! How the mighty have fallen!
- ²⁰ Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Ashkelon, lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised exult.
- "You mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew or rain upon you, nor fields of offerings!
 For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, the shield of Saul, not anointed with oil.
- "From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.
- ²³ "Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely! In life and in death they were not divided; they were swifter than eagles; they were stronger than lions.
- "You daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you luxuriously in scarlet, who put ornaments of gold on your apparel.
- ²⁵ "How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle!
- "Jonathan lies slain on your high places.
 I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; very pleasant have you been to me; your love to me was extraordinary, surpassing the love of women.
- ²⁷ "How the mighty have fallen, and the weapons of war perished!"

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

The Life of David Learning to Lament With David

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven. and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried: and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life.

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;

we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;

and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

Communion is the family meal for Christians. We welcome all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers that follow as guidelines. We hope that this time is helpful as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ, and with his people, the church.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING*

Minister:	Therefore, lift up your hearts.
People:	We lift them up to the Lord.
Minister:	Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
People:	It is right to give him thanks and praise!
People: Minister:	It is right to give him thanks and praise! Together we proclaim the mystery of faith.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION*

THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (concluding 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.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

BENEDICTION*

PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Enable me not to be intimidated by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Please guide me, teach me, and reveal to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful that I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I believe that you lived a perfect life so that through faith in you I might be received by God and declared righteous. I thank you that when you died on the cross you endured the punishment I deserve because of my sin, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and embrace you by faith as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THOSE OVERCOME WITH SIN

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the Pioneer and Perfecter of my faith. Help me not to be deceived by offers of false satisfaction and to delight in You more than anything else. Amen.

PRAYER FOR COVENANT CHILDREN (Not Yet Admitted to the Lord's Supper)

Lord Jesus, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me more and more to know you, to love you, and to follow you. Please work in my heart to believe the gospel for myself, not just because my parents believe. Give me a longing to know Jesus better and to serve Him with my whole heart. Amen.

SERMON OUTLINE

I. Lament with Honesty (Verses 17-20)

II. Lament with Honor (Verses 21-24)

III. Lament with Agony (Verses 25-27)

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

6/1	Communion Sunday	10:30am
6/1	VBS Decorating	12pm
6/1	Grace of God Ministry (Reunion Court of Clear Lake)	1:30-3pm
6/2-6/6	Vacation Bible School	9am-12pm
6/3	The Orchard: College & Career Small Group	7pm
6/4	Choir Rehearsal	7pm
6/4	Middle & High School Youth Groups	7pm
6/6	Theology on Tap	7pm

Please note that there will be no Sunday Supper on June 1st. Sunday Supper will resume on July 6th.



The Gathering Table

A BAPC Cookbook

We're creating a church cookbook and would love for you to be part of it. Whether it's a go-to entrée, a cherished dessert, or your best grilled masterpiece, we want to include it! Submit your recipes at <u>bapc.org/cookbook</u> by July 31.



Grace of God Ministry

Join Us in Sharing the Love of Christ

We're launching Grace of God, a new ministry to seniors in local care facilities. Each 90-minute visit includes hymn singing, a brief devotional, and fellowship over refreshments. You can sign up for one visit or several—whatever fits your schedule! Stop by the lobby for more details and to get involved.



The Hard Sayings of the Bible Begins Today at 9am

Adults are invited to a new Sunday School class, "Hard Sayings of the Bible," taught by various leaders and members of our congregation. Together we'll explore some of Scripture's more challenging and thought-provoking passages.

Elder of the Day

Today: TBD Next Week: TBD

Communion Preparation June: L. Hendrickson July: C. McCarty + M. Smith

Coffee & Donuts

Today: C. McCarty Next Week: J. Farland

VOLUNTEER ROTATION .

Deacon of the Day Today: A. Kroese Next Week: P. Meeh

Greeters Today: K. Benavides + C. Mahlstedt Next Week: N. Penley + E. Simpson

Children's Church Today: Briggs Family Next Week: W. Kelley + S. Lindblom Nursery (9am) Today: Ramirez Family Next Week: TBD

Infant Nursery (10:30am) Today: T. Kubena Next Week: D. Kelley

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Bouck Family Next Week: Benitez Family

MEN'S MINISTRY



Theology on Tap This Friday, 7pm

Grow in faith and in community at our men's Theology on Tap! Bring your favorite snack or beverage to Mark Kubena's home

(15914 Lake Lodge Dr.) and enjoy food, fellowship, and a devotional. Open to ages 21+.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Nursery Volunteers Info & Sign Up in the Lobby!

As our church grows, we find ourselves in need of loving hands to help care for our covenant kids!

We're encouraging each person (ages 14+) to serve in nursery twice between July and December 2025. More info (and sign up sheets) available in the lobby.



Men's Bible Study June 20, 7pm

Wisdom invites us in. As we conclude our Proverbs study, come reflect with us on what it means to walk in wisdom. In our next

series, we'll journey through the book of Job together.



Senior High Girls' Book Study Begins Sunday, 4pm

Girls entering 9th-12th grades are invited to look at the lies we commonly believe about ourselves, God, guys, media, and more- and

find out how to be set free by the truth of the Gospel. This study meets weekly at the Briggs home. Books can be purchased at amazon.com or <u>bapc.org/youth.</u>



Men's Breakfast June 28, 8am

Start your Saturday with good food and even better conversation. Our men's breakfast is a great way to connect with others at BAPC.

We're wrapping up our Fruit of the Spirit study in Junethen kicking off a new series on Hebrews in July!

MISSIONS UPDATE -

July Missionary of the Month Kurt & Jill

Kurt and Jill serve with Mission to the World (MTW) in Europe on a church-planting team reaching South Asians. Through the years Kurt has worked with national pastors and church leaders to facilitate church planting in a European city. In 2009 he took over the leadership for the team on the east side of the city. Kurt and Jill currently work alongside nationals to develop local leaders and plant churches. Their ministry includes evangelism, discipleship, teaching, and equipping leaders. Please pray for them as they seek to impact others with the gospel of Jesus Christ.



NEHEMIAH PROJECT -

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

Adults

The Hard Sayings of the Bible, Room 88

9th - 12th Grade Pastoral Epistles, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade

Bible Survey: Exodus-Ruth, Room 91

3rd - 4th Grade

Trusting God, Room 104

1st - 2nd Grade

Growing in God, Room 102

PreK - Kindergarten

God Created All Things, Room 107

Nursery

Toddler Nursery, Room 108 Infant Nursery, Room 106

*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.

GIVING UPDATE

Monthly Giving

May Giving Goal: May Actual Giving: Amount Under: \$56,722 \$41,806 (\$14,916)



Annual Giving

July 2024-June 2025 Annual Budget Goal:	\$737,381
Received as of 5/30/25:	\$618,451
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal:	(\$118,930)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall:	(\$48,028)



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