



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 9, 2025

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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

Grace is the pleasure of God to magnify the worth of God by giving sinners the power to delight in God.

-John Piper

God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us to love.

-Augustine

The great basis of Christian assurance is not how much our hearts are set on God, but how unshakably his heart is set on us.

-Tim Keller

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 47

Leader: Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy.

**People: For the LORD Most High is awesome,
the great King over all the earth.**

Leader: God has ascended amid shouts of joy,
the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.

**All: Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises!**

*Please stand if you are able.

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

HYMN OF ADORATION*

Trinity Hymnal #53 (1,2,3,5)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Our World Belongs to God, st. 44

Leader: Following the apostles, the church is sent—sent with the gospel of the kingdom to make disciples of all nations.

People: To feed the hungry, and to proclaim the assurance that in the name of Christ there is forgiveness of sin and new life for all who repent and believe—to tell the news that our world belongs to God.

Leader: In a world estranged from God, where millions face confusing choices, this mission is central to our being, for we announce the one name that saves.

All: We repent of leaving this work to a few, we pray for brothers and sisters who suffer for the faith, and we rejoice that the Spirit is waking us to see our mission in God's world.

SONGS OF PRAISE*

*Great Things
Across the Lands*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature. We are prone to evil and slow to do what is right and all our shortcomings and offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways that we have displeased you. Teach us to hate evil, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son Jesus. Help us to walk in daily fellowship with you, according to the commandments and principles contained in your Word. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION & REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Isaiah 43:25

I, even I, am he who blots out your transgressions, for my own sake, and remembers your sins no more.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Trinity Hymnal #499 (1,2,3,4)

Rock of Ages

COMMISSIONING OF THE MISSION TEAM

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

Nichol, Curry

We've a Story to Tell the Nations

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 *(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.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 7:13-25

¹³Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure. ¹⁴For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

Romans 8:1-4

8 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Romans 8:38-39

³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

MESSAGE

Pastor Brooks Harwood

Grace for Strugglers

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)

BENEDICTION*

NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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**

Today	Mission Team Commissioning	10:30am
Today	Congregational Meeting	12pm
3/11	The Orchard: College & Career Small Group	7pm
3/12	Choir Rehearsal	7pm
3/12	Youth Group (No Middle School Boys' Youth Group this week)	7pm



Congregational Meeting

Today after Worship

The Session has called a congregational meeting for the purpose of electing church officers on Sunday, March 9 immediately following worship. Please pick your kids up from nursery or Children's Church and join us!



Spring Small Groups

Seeking Leaders & Hosts

Spring Small Groups are launching the week of 3/31, and we're looking for discussion leaders and hosts to make them happen! Leading is simple—choose a book or topic you're interested in, or use free church-provided resources. You don't need to be a Bible expert, just someone ready to create a welcoming space for faith and fellowship. Discussion leader and host sign up is available in the lobby and at bapc.org/announcements. Participant registration begins this week. Please be on the look out for an email from the church office. Have questions? Email bapc@bapc.org.



Pastor Chris' Birthday Celebration

Sunday, March 30, 12pm

Mark your calendars and join us for Pastor Chris' birthday celebration on March 30th after worship. Sandwiches, chips, and cake will be provided. If able, please bring a birthday card to bless our pastor!



Spring Work Day

Saturday, April 5, 8:30am-12pm

Help us beautify our building on Saturday, April 5th starting at 8:30am! We'll have a variety of tasks available for any skill set, ranging from spring cleaning to light repair work.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Curtis Briggs
Next Week: Bill Calhoun

Deacon of the Day

Today: Dennis Radford
Next Week: John Cover

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Joseph Farland
Next Week: Lynn Hershey

Communion Preparation

April: Lindblom Family
May: Kathy Felts

Greeters

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

Nursery (9am)

Today: Marcy Ramsey
Next Week: Hannah Stahl
+ Rachael Beth Henry

Infant Nursery (10:30am)

Today: TBD
Next Week: Sarah Lindblom

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Bouck Family
Next Week: David Kelley

Children's Church

Today: Whitney Kelley
+ Gracie Briggs
Next Week: Scott Hansen
+ Lynn Hershey

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Spring Swing Tuesday March 18, 10am-12pm

Kick off Spring Break with us at Clear Lake Park (Community Center side, not the water side). Kids or no kids, we'd love to eat lunch and fellowship with you!



Out of the Depths: Women's Retreat April 11 & 12

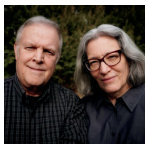
Join us at Christ Presbyterian Church in New Braunfels for their annual women's retreat! This year's speaker, Lydia Brownback, will speak on God's rescue, redemption, and relentless grace. Register at bapc.org/women. Hotel and schedule information may also be found there.



Made for More: Women's Conference April 4 & 5

Women and girls (3rd grade & up) are invited to a multi-generational event, Made for More! Together, we'll explore how God made us for more purpose, more value, more hope, and more belonging than our culture of "not enough" can offer. This conference will take place in Dallas. More info and registration is available at bapc.org/women.

MISSIONS UPDATE



Missionary of the Month Jud and Jan Lamos

This month we have the privilege of praying for Jud and Jan Lamos as they lead the 18.26 Network, a vocational missions group founded on the story of Aquila and Priscilla from Acts 18:26. Please join us in praying for them as they draw new missionaries to their organization, train them, and provide support to their mission teams worldwide.



Mission Team Commissioning Today at 10:30am

Our mission trip team departs for Arizona and the Tohono O'odham Nation on Saturday! Please pray for final details to fall into place smoothly, that God would draw many children to the VBS they will host, and that God would open hearts to hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Retreat March 28-29

Join us at Hall's Bayou Ranch in Santa Fe for our annual men's retreat! We'll enjoy food, devotionals, fellowship, and outdoor activities. For those wishing to spend the night, you may choose between bunkhouse accommodations (limited availability) and tent camping (BYO tent). Registration is \$25 and available at bapc.org/men.



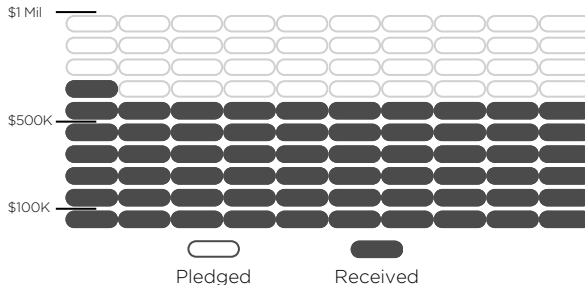
Proverbs Bible Study Friday, March 21, 7pm

Join us for our monthly Men's Bible Study as we continue our journey through Proverbs! This month, we'll be focusing on chapter 7. Come ready for discussion, fellowship, and encouragement as we seek to grow in godly wisdom together!

NEHEMIAH PROJECT

Second Year Goal Period November 2024-2025

Amount Pledged: \$1,500
Amount Received: \$20,762



Principal Paid (Nov 2023-Present): \$617,056
Current Mortgage Balance: \$414,325

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

Adults

The Book of Esther, 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.*

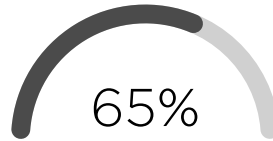
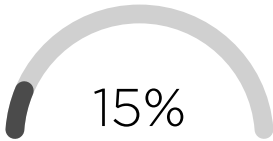
GIVING UPDATE

Monthly Giving

March Giving Goal: \$70,902
March Actual Giving: \$10,975
Amount Under: (\$59,927)

Annual Giving

July 2024-June 2025 Annual Budget Goal: \$737,381
Received as of 3/2/25: \$479,689
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: (\$257,692)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall: (\$16,625)



STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Chris Yates, Pastor
Kaitlin Fenner, Director of Business Operations
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Traci Lewis, Director of Accounting
Marcy Ramsey, Assistant to the Pastor
Hannah Stahl, Director of Youth & Children's Ministries
Kathy Wright, Director of Choirs

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John Cover
Dennis Radford
Steve Ramsey