



# Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

May 12, 2024

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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

It is deeply troubling how little you hear of the spiritual conflict in the account which many professors give of their experience. The people know what kind of answer is expected of them, and they come as near as they can to what is wished; and it is to be feared that many cry 'peace', when there is no peace, and say that they are happy, merely because they hear this from the lips of others. Hypocrisy is a fearful evil, and everything which has a tendency to produce it should be avoided.

-Archibald Alexander

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

**People: Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.**

Leader: Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us and we are his;

**People: We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name.

**All: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.  
Hallelujah!**

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

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

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## **HYMN OF ADORATION\***

Trinity Hymnal #100 (1,2,3,4)

*Holy, Holy, Holy!*

## **PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION**

## **SONGS OF PRAISE\***

*Great Things*  
*Isaiah 43*

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

## **CALL TO RENEWAL**

Matthew 5:17-18

Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Holy Father, we sin—Grant that we may grieve because of it; overthrow our envy, command our tongues, trample down our selfishness, deliver us from the idols of our hearts. O God, the eternal One in Three, help us to know that all things are shadows, but you are substance, all things are quicksand, but you are the mountain, all things are shifting, but you are the anchor. Give us grace to be kind, pure, and peaceable; grace to live for your glory, grace to be transformed into your likeness. Take away our mourning and give us dancing. Still our sighs and fill our souls with song. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, our Shepherd, our Lord. Amen.

## **PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION**

## WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Acts 13:38-39

Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin, a justification you were not able to obtain under the law of Moses.

## SONG OF RESPONSE\*

*In Christ Alone*

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TIME OF COMMITMENT

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## 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

Choplin

*Rise Up and Call Her Blessed*

## 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 7:1-12

<sup>7</sup> Do you not know, brothers and sisters—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law has authority over someone only as long as that person lives? <sup>2</sup> For example, by law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law that binds her to him. <sup>3</sup> So then, if she has sexual relations with another man while her husband is still alive, she is called an adulteress. But if her husband dies, she is released from that law and is not an adulteress if she marries another man.

<sup>4</sup> So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God. <sup>5</sup> For when we were in the realm of the flesh, the sinful passions aroused by the law were at work in us, so that we bore fruit for death. <sup>6</sup> But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

<sup>7</sup> What shall we say, then? Is the law sinful? Certainly not! Nevertheless, I would not have known what sin was had it not been for the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” <sup>8</sup> But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of coveting. For apart from the law, sin was dead.

<sup>9</sup> Once I was alive apart from the law; but when the commandment came, sin sprang to life and I died. <sup>10</sup> I found that the very commandment that was intended to bring life actually brought death.

<sup>11</sup> For sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, deceived me, and through the commandment put me to death. <sup>12</sup> So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good.

## MESSAGE

*Pastor Chris Yates*

Knowing the Living God - A Study of Romans  
*Chasing Shadows*

## SONG OF RESPONSE\*

*You've Already Won*

## BENEDICTION\*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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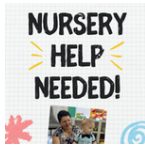
**Welcome! We're glad you are here with us today.  
To find out more about our upcoming events, studies, and more  
please visit [bapc.org/announcements](http://bapc.org/announcements)**

5/15 Middle School and High School Youth Groups 7pm  
5/15 Discover BAPC 7pm



### **VBS Registration Now Open - June 3-7, 9am-12pm**

To register your children up for VBS, please visit [bapc.org/vbs](http://bapc.org/vbs). If you're able to help with this year's VBS, even for a day or two, please scan the QR code to the left or visit [bapc.org/announcements](http://bapc.org/announcements).



### **Train up the next generation in Christ!**

We're looking for volunteers to serve in the nursery during the Sunday School hour this summer, alongside Flora and another volunteer. If you are willing to sign up or would like more information, please contact Hannah Stahl by phone or email at [hstahl@bapc.org](mailto:hstahl@bapc.org).



### **Adult Class - Sundays at 9am**

Join us for an 8-week interactive training on evangelism and discipleship! The first 5 weeks will focus on Scripture study, Gospel sharing techniques, and building confidence using these tools. The final 3 weeks will cover discipleship basics, including understanding how people change and discipling through difficult topics such as anxiety and fear.

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## VOLUNTEER ROTATION

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### **Elder of the Day**

Today: Curtis Briggs  
Next Week: Chris D'Souza

### **Deacon of the Day**

Today: Dennis Radford  
Next Week: John Cover

### **Coffee & Donuts**

Today: Kyle Bullock  
Next Week: Lynn Hershey

### **Communion Preparation**

June: Linda Hendrickson  
July: Marilyn Smith + Clay McCarty

### **Greeters**

Today: Niko Laliotitis + Ned Penley  
Next Week: Shaw Family

### **Infant Nursery**

Today: Kang Family  
Next Week: Jessica Dill

### **Toddler Nursery**

Today: Rachael Beth Henry +  
Elizabeth Porter  
Next Week: Cavanaugh Family

### **Children's Church**

Today: Juli Simpson  
Next Week: Banks Family

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## CHURCH MINISTRIES

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### **MEN'S MINISTRY**



### **Men's Bible Study Friday, May 17th at 7pm**

Grow in your knowledge of and love for God's word and get connected to other men at BAPC! Our study meets on the 3rd Friday

of the month in Room 88 (Adult Sunday School Room).



### **Men's Breakfast Saturday, May 25th at 8am**

Join us for breakfast, a devotional, and a chance to connect with other men who are also seeking to live for Christ.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



**Ladies' Game Night**  
**Saturday, May 18th at 6pm**

Grab your favorite board or card game & snack and meet us at Melissa Smith's home for a night of fun and games!

If you need the address, please contact the church office or pick up a directory from the table in the lobby.



**Summer Book Study**  
**Begins July 10 at 10am**

Read and discuss [Jesus Through The Eyes of Women](#) with us this summer!

By entering the stories of women in the Gospels, this book will give us a unique lens to see Jesus as these women did and marvel at how he loved them. Childcare provided; registration opens June 2.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



**Middle School Boys Pool Party**  
**June 2**

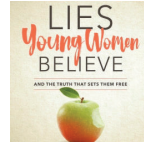
Save the date for a pool party at the home of Mike Smith after worship on June 2nd. Don't miss out on this fun event to kick off the summer. Details to follow.



**EmpowerHer Conference**  
**June 14, 5:30-9pm**

Save the date for Anchor Point's annual EmpowerHer conference. This event offers middle school and high school girls a

supportive environment where they can learn essential leadership skills and build self-confidence. The Briggs will host an optional sleepover at their home following the conference to include fellowship and a prayer breakfast. Registration is required, please contact Annie Briggs.



**High School Girls' Book Study**  
**Begins June 9, Sundays at 4pm**

Calling all high school girls! Dive into 'Lies Young Women Believe and the Truth That Sets Them Free' with us starting June 9th

at 4pm. Join our empowering book study every Sunday at the home of Annie Briggs. This book is by Dannah Gresh and Nancy DeMoss and can be purchased on Amazon.



**Sugar Land Space Cowboys**  
**June 29, 5:30-10:30pm**

Join us on June 29th as our high school youth head out to watch the Sugar Land Space Cowboys baseball game from

5:30-10:30 pm! Contact Curtis Briggs for more details and to sign up for this night out!

MISSIONS UPDATE

**May Missionary of the Month**  
**Keith and Debbie**

Keith and Debbie began their ministry in 1998 in West Africa, reaching the Muslim population there through Bible translation, literacy, and leadership training efforts, as well as church planting.

Keith and Debbie now live in the US and continue their work in international missions via translation efforts and training pastors through MINTS International Seminary. Please pray for Keith and Debbie, as they adjust to living in the US again, for their efforts to train pastors and grow the church in West Africa through MINTS, and for Debbie's efforts to translate courses into French.

NEHEMIAH PROJECT

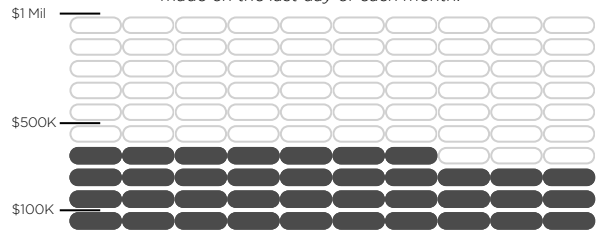
**Initial Goal Period**  
**November 2023-2024**

Amount Pledged: \$311,070

Amount Received: \$378,381

Current Mortgage Balance: \$629,750

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



Pledged

Received

Pledge Cards Collected: 17

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL AT BAY AREA PRESBYTERIAN

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## Adults

Gospel Conversations, Room 88

## 9th - 12th Grade

Judges, Youth Room

## 5th - 8th Grade

Implementing God's Word, Room 91

## 3rd - 4th Grade

Listening to Jesus, Room 104

## 1st - 2nd Grade

Loving Jesus, Room 102

## PreK - Kindergarten

Jesus Is God, 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.*

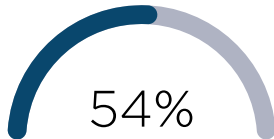
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## GIVING UPDATE

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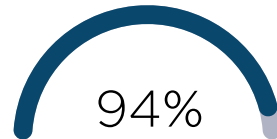
### Monthly Giving

May Giving Goal: \$51,529  
May Actual Giving: \$27,685  
Amount Under: (\$23,844)



### Annual Giving

July 2023-June 2024 Annual Budget Goal: \$682,760  
Received as of 5/5/24: \$644,129  
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: (\$38,631)  
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**  
Curtis Briggs  
Chris D'Souza  
Mike Smith

**Deacons**  
John Cover  
Dennis Radford  
Steve Ramsey

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