



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 17, 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's covenant faithfulness is our measure, our norm...Jesus does not love the church because it is pure and spotless – He purifies the church in order to make it spotless.

-Dan Doriani

Cleopas presumed God's faithfulness was best seen in his ability to shield his people from difficulty. This was a profound error common to most believers of his day and ever since. Glory preceded by suffering was God's pattern throughout all of Scripture. One way the world would recognize the true Messiah would be by the way he would fit this pattern, not defy it.

-Russ Ramsey

Our life is full of brokenness - broken relationships, broken promises, broken expectations. How can we live with that brokenness without becoming bitter and resentful except by returning again and again to God's faithful presence in our lives.

-Henri Nouwen

I believe that God never overpromises or underdelivers. He always delivers on His promises, but He does it on His timeline.

-Mark Batterson

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

Call to Worship*

Revelation 5:9-12

Leader: You are worthy, Lord, to take the scroll and to open its seals

People: Because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.

Leader: Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they were saying:

All: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

**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 #342 (1,3,5)

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Prayer of Adoration

Apostles' Creed

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

And I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Songs of Praise*

Psalm 8
The God We Love

TIME OF RENEWAL

Confession of Sin

Gracious Father, we come with troubled hearts, fearful about many things. We struggle to trust you and often doubt your love and care. Your promises do not always bring us comfort. Forgive our unbelief. Holy Spirit, help us to rest in Christ. Help us to believe that in his death we died, and in his resurrection we are raised to new life. Give us joy and peace as we face this broken world, even death itself. Help us to live in the light of your forgiveness and to die trusting fully in your grace through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Private Confession and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.

Song of Assurance*

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

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.**

————— 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

Daughters of Promise, Women of Faith

Martin

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.

Scripture

Ephesians 1:3-14

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹ making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth in him.

¹¹ In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

Sermon

Shon Barrett

To The Praise of His Glorious Grace

Hymn of Response*

Trinity Hymnal #32 (1,2,3)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Closing Prayer*

Welcome! We're glad you are here with us today.

To find out more about our upcoming events, visit bapc.org/announcements

Today	Informational Meeting	12pm
Today	Monthly Prayer Group	6pm
5/18	Women's Zoom Bible Study	7:30pm
5/19	The Orchard Small Group	7pm
5/20	Women's Bible Study	10am
5/20	Youth Group	7pm
5/20	Choir Rehearsal	7pm
5/23	Men's Breakfast	8am
5/24	Grace of God (Morada)	1:30pm
5/24	VBS Registration Deadline	8pm



2026 Directory

Final Day for Photos

Directory photos will be taken outside after today's informational meeting. If you would like an updated photo, or to be added to this year's directory, please meet Whitney outside after worship.



Informational Meeting

Today, 12pm

Stay after worship to hear updates from our Pastoral Search Committee, Music Ministry, Children's Ministry, Emergency Response Oversight Committee, Session, and Diaconate.



Monthly Prayer Small Group

Today, 6pm

Join us in the Adult Sunday School room as we pray for those in our community and our lives who do not know Christ! Free childcare is available at this event.



Men's Breakfast

Saturday, 8am

Grow your community and your knowledge of God's Word at our monthly breakfast. We'll enjoy a hot meal, devotional on Hebrews, and discussion. Meet us in the Adult Sunday School room!



BAPC Youth Summer Games

Friday, May 29, 6pm

Bring a friend and get ready for an evening of friendly competition, including a cheese puff toss, rock-paper-scissors tournament, corn hole, and more! First-place winners in each event will receive awards. Please bring your favorite appetizer to share for dinner.



VBS Work Days

Saturday, May 30 at 9am and Sunday, May 31 at 12pm

Even if you can't help during the week of VBS, there are plenty of ways to get involved! Join us for a Saturday work day or stay after worship on May 31 to help us transform the sanctuary into Rome.



Vacation Bible School

June 1-5, 9am-12pm

VBS is just around the corner and we'd love to have you journey to Rome with us to meet Paul and see the early church spread! To register your children or to volunteer, please visit bapc.org/vbs.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Bill Calhoun
Next Week: Mike Bliss

Deacon of the Day

Today: Daniel Henderson-Ede
Next Week: Ethan Stahl

Nursery (9am)

Today: G. Briggs + TBD
Next Week: Brittany Ramirez + TBD

Communion Preparation

June: Mitchell Family
July: Clay McCarty

Greeters

Today: M. Crosland + S. Ramsey
Next Week: Gilbert Family

Infant Nursery (10:30am)

Today: TBD
Next Week: TBD

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Clay McCarty
Next Week: Ethan Stahl

Children's Church

Today: Whitney Kelley
Next Week: TBD

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)

Today: L. Hilmers + TBD
Next Week: M. Ortega +TBD

GIVING UPDATE

Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026

Monthly Giving

May Giving Goal:	\$67,308
May Actual Giving:	\$21,004
Amount Under:	(\$46,303)

Annual Giving

Annual Budget Goal:	\$700,000
Received to Date:	\$600,864
Remaining to Annual Goal:	\$99,136



At current giving rates, forecasted full-year giving is approximately \$654,879.

MISSIONS UPDATE



Peter and Lauren Dishman serve college students in Bogota, Colombia, through a strategic partnership between Mission to the World and Reformed University Fellowship. The Dishmans hope to see students connect with Christ and his church for a lifetime in the "Athens of South America," home to more than 120 institutions of higher education and 1 million students. This month, please pray that God would draw students to RUF and grow the new Christians who have joined the freshman Bible study. They also request prayers for Bogota's flagship English-speaking church, UCB, as they search for the right pastoral candidate and develop their gospel-centered ministry in their community.

Adults

Minor Prophets, Room 88

9th - 12th Grade

1 & 2 Peter, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade

John, Room 91

3rd - 4th Grade

God's Growing Church, 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.*

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Chris Yates, Pastor

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