



# Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

May 3, 2026

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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 not my ability, but my response to God's ability, that counts.

-Corrie Ten Boom

Grace withers without adversity.

-Samuel Rutherford

Since it is so likely that children will meet cruel enemies, let them at least have heard of brave knights and heroic courage.

-C.S. Lewis

## Words of Welcome and Announcements

## Preparation for Worship

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

## Call to Worship\*

Romans 11:33-36

Leader: Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable his judgments,  
and his paths beyond tracing out!

All: **Who has known the mind of the Lord?  
Or who has been his counselor?"  
"Who has ever given to God,  
that God should repay them?"  
For from him and through him and for him are all things.  
To him be the glory forever! Amen.**

*\*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 #301 (1,2,3,5)

*Join All the Glorious Names*

## **Prayer of Adoration**

## **Songs of Praise\***

*Behold Our God  
By Faith*

## **Public Reception of New Members**

*Estefania Esis  
Jorge and Anaïs Romero  
Charles Schmidt*

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

## **Confession of Sin**

Our Father, we cry out to you as your people who are sitting in the depths. On the surface, we profess to have it all together. We deceive ourselves by claiming we have mastered our lives through our competence. We have distanced ourselves from pain and disappointment through deep cynicism. We confess to you this desperate attempt to maintain control of our lives. We agree, and do not deny, that our anxieties, fears and insecurities flow from our mistrust of you, our faithful Father. Because your love for us is stronger than our distrust of you, and because you forsook your Son on that cross so that you would never forsake us, we come humbly yet boldly before you. Father, forgive us, heal us, and transform us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

## Private Confession and Reflection

### Assurance of Pardon

Romans 10:9-10

If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

### Hymn of Assurance\*

Trinity Hymnal #261 (1,2,3)

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

## The Prayers of the People

————— 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](http://bapc.org/give)*

Cash or Check  
*Lobby box or mailed  
to the church office*

Text Message  
*Text "Give" to  
833-921-6502*

*Kyrie Eleison*

## 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

Philippians 1:18-26

<sup>18</sup> But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, <sup>19</sup> for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. <sup>20</sup> I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup> For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! <sup>23</sup> I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; <sup>24</sup> but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. <sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

## Sermon

*Pastor Chris Yates*

### A Study in Philippians

Faith, Doubt, and the Pursuit of Joy

## 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!**

Minister: Together we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!**

## **Song of Preparation\***

*We Will Feast in the House of Zion*

## **The Words of Institution and the Prayer of Consecration\***

### **The Lord's Supper**

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving** *(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.**

## **Song of Assurance\***

*Only A Holy God*

## **Benediction\***

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

*\*The benediction is much more than a wish or even a prayer. It is a renewed ordination of the people of God to their service to each other, to their community and the world. God declares his own favor toward his people.*

## **Dismissal**

Leader: Let us go forth to serve the world as those  
who love the Lord Our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

### **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 than 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.



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

Today	Communion Sunday	10:30am
Today	Sunday Supper	5:30pm
5/4	Women's Zoom Bible Study	7:30pm
5/5	The Orchard Small Group	7pm
5/6	Women's Bible Study	10am
5/6	Youth Group	7pm
5/6	Choir Rehearsal	7pm



**2026 Directory & Photos Begins Today After Worship**

Directory photos will be taken outside after worship today, next Sunday, and 5/17. If you would like an updated family photo, or to be added to this year's directory, please meet Whitney outside after worship!



**Sunday Supper Tonight, 5:30pm**

Meet new faces and reconnect with familiar ones at our monthly fellowship dinners! Tonight's entree will be chicken drumsticks. Please bring a side or dessert to share and meet us in the gym!



**Children's Ministry Volunteers Sundays at 9am and 10:30am**

Our Children's Ministry is in need of volunteers! Summer nursery sign up will be posted in the lobby next week and we're still seeking 4 more couples to join our Children's Church rotation, Please prayerfully consider if you can serve our youngest members in these ways and look for sign up sheets next week.



**BAPC Youth Summer Games Friday, May 29, 6pm**

Bring a friend and get ready for a fun evening of friendly competition, including a three-legged race, cheese puff toss, grade-level scooter races, rock-paper-scissors tournament, egg toss, wheelbarrow race, and corn hole. First-place winners in every event will receive awards! Dinner will be a youth charcuterie, please bring your favorite appetizer to share.



**VBS June 1-5, 9am-12pm**

VBS is just around the corner and we'd love to have you join us for a journey to Rome to meet Paul and see the early church spread! To register your children or to volunteer, please visit [bapc.org/vbs](http://bapc.org/vbs).



**Micah Ministry Art Day Saturday June 13, 8:30am-1pm**

Our local missions group, Micah Ministry, will be hosting an Art Day at the church for local foster families, providing them with a morning of fun, creativity, and connection. If you're available to help with setup, serving food, assisting children with simple crafts, or cleanup, please let Jonathan Sedlacek or Kati Bonvillian know.

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VOLUNTEER ROTATION

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**Elder of the Day**

Today: Mike Bliss  
Next Week: Bill Calhoun

**Deacon of the Day**

Today: Pete Meeh  
Next Week: Andrew Kroese

**Nursery (9am)**

Today: J. Farland + TBD  
Next Week: Adam Sidor

**Communion Preparation**

May: Kathy Felts  
June: Linda Hendrickson

**Greeters**

Today: Benitez Family  
Next Week: G. Briggs + C. Mahlstedt

**Infant Nursery (10:30am)**

Today: Kathy Felts  
Next Week: TBD

**Coffee & Donuts**

Today: Ethan Bouck  
Next Week: Joseph Farland

**Children's Church**

Today: S. Benitez + M. Ortega  
Next Week: S. Benitez + M. Ortega

**Toddler Nursery (10:30am)**

Today: R. Henry + TBD  
Next Week: Briggs Family

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GIVING UPDATE

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*Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026*

**Monthly Giving**

April Giving Goal:	\$53,846
April Actual Giving:	\$61,479
Amount Under:	\$0

**Annual Giving**

Annual Budget Goal:	\$700,000
Received to Date:	\$579,860
Remaining to Annual Goal:	\$120,140



**At current giving rates, forecasted full-year giving is approximately \$656,845.**

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MISSIONS UPDATE

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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.*

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STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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Chris Yates, Pastor

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Bill Calhoun

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