



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 4, 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

If the Lord be with us, we have no cause of fear. His eye is upon us, His arm over us, His ear open to our prayer—His grace sufficient, His promise unchangeable.

-John Newton

The way to lose fear is to gain faith.

-John R.W. Stott

There is no rescue without suffering, no transformation without a wilderness, no kingdom without a cross.

-Chuck De Groat

Grace has the power to do what nothing else can do, rescue you from you, and in doing, restore you to what you were created to be.

-Paul David Tripp

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

_____ TIME OF PRAISE _____

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 34:1-3

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times;
His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: **My soul will make its boast in the LORD;
Let the humble hear it and rejoice.**

All: **O magnify the LORD with me,
And let us exalt His name together!**

**Please stand if you are able.*

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

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PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg No. 26

- Leader:What do you believe when you say: I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?
- People:**That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ his Son. I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world. He is able to do this because he is almighty God; he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.**

SONGS OF PRAISE*

Come Praise and Glorify
Hear the Call of the Kingdom

TIME OF RENEWAL

CONFESSION OF SIN

Heavenly Father, we confess that our trust in you wavers and that we are fickle in our reliance. We see you provide great things where we see little possibility; but when storms come in life, we quickly turn to fear. We follow you where you give freely; but when we go our own way, we do not recognize your presence. Turn our hearts toward you and help us see your abundance, your promise to provide, and your knowledge of what we need. Let us see your Kingdom at work and not simply our own. Give us hearts that turn to you and not simply the things that you provide.

PRIVATE CONFESSION & REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Psalms 103:10-12

He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Nothing But Blood (RUF)

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	Cash or Check	Text Message
Please visit bapc.org/give	Lobby box or mailed to the church office	Text "Give" to 833-921-6502

CHORAL ANTHEM

Allen, Schwoebel

Upon a Holy Mount

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

1 Samuel 21:1-22:5

²¹David went to Nob, to Ahimelek the priest. Ahimelek trembled when he met him, and asked, “Why are you alone? Why is no one with you?”

²David answered Ahimelek the priest, “The king sent me on a mission and said to me, ‘No one is to know anything about the mission I am sending you on.’ As for my men, I have told them to meet me at a certain place. ³Now then, what do you have on hand? Give me five loaves of bread, or whatever you can find.”

⁴But the priest answered David, “I don’t have any ordinary bread on hand; however, there is some consecrated bread here—provided the men have kept themselves from women.”

⁵ David replied, “Indeed women have been kept from us, as usual whenever I set out. The men’s bodies are holy even on missions that are not holy. How much more so today!” ⁶ So the priest gave him the consecrated bread, since there was no bread there except the bread of the Presence that had been removed from before the LORD and replaced by hot bread on the day it was taken away.

⁷ Now one of Saul’s servants was there that day, detained before the LORD; he was Doeg the Edomite, Saul’s chief shepherd.

⁸ David asked Ahimelek, “Don’t you have a spear or a sword here? I haven’t brought my sword or any other weapon, because the king’s mission was urgent.”

⁹ The priest replied, “The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom you killed in the Valley of Elah, is here; it is wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod. If you want it, take it; there is no sword here but that one.”

David said, “There is none like it; give it to me.”

¹⁰ That day David fled from Saul and went to Achish king of Gath. ¹¹ But the servants of Achish said to him, “Isn’t this David, the king of the land? Isn’t he the one they sing about in their dances:

“‘Saul has slain his thousands,
and David his tens of thousands?’”

¹² David took these words to heart and was very much afraid of Achish king of Gath. ¹³ So he pretended to be insane in their presence; and while he was in their hands he acted like a madman, making marks on the doors of the gate and letting saliva run down his beard.

¹⁴ Achish said to his servants, “Look at the man! He is insane! Why bring him to me? ¹⁵ Am I so short of madmen that you have to bring this fellow here to carry on like this in front of me? Must this man come into my house?”

22 David left Gath and escaped to the cave of Adullam. When his brothers and his father’s household heard about it, they went down to him there. ² All those who were in distress or in debt or discontented gathered around him, and he became their commander. About four hundred men were with him.

³ From there David went to Mizpah in Moab and said to the king of Moab, “Would you let my father and mother come and stay with you until I learn what God will do for me?” ⁴ So he left them with the king of Moab, and they stayed with him as long as David was in the stronghold.

⁵ But the prophet Gad said to David, “Do not stay in the stronghold. Go into the land of Judah.” So David left and went to the forest of Hereth.

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

The Life of David: Man of Prayer, Man of War
When Fear Takes Hold

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!

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*

O Church Arise

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 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.

SERMON OUTLINE

- I. Desperation and God's Provision

- II. Desperation and God's Praise

- III. Desperation and God's Providence

- IV. Desperation and God's Prophecy

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	Sunday Supper	5:30pm
5/6	The Orchard: College & Career Small Group	7pm
5/7	Choir Rehearsal	7pm
5/7	Middle & High School Youth Groups	7pm
5/10	4B Open House	11am-2pm
5/18	Congregational Meeting	12pm



Sunday Supper

Today at 5:30pm

Join us for Sunday Supper, our monthly church wide fellowship meal! The main dish (pork tacos) is provided—just bring a side or dessert to share and get to know others at BAPC.



4B Open House & Lunch

Saturday, May 10, 11am-2pm

Enjoy a free BBQ sandwich lunch and a tour of 4B's new emergency shelter and operation center! This facility will enable 4B to feed and house those displaced from their home due to natural disasters and equip volunteers who will help repair them. This event will take place at 2700B Texas Avenue, Texas City and is come and go.



Congregational Meeting

Moved to May 18, 12pm

Due to Mother's Day and the desire to honor the women in our lives, our congregational meeting has been rescheduled to Sunday, May 18. We will elect officers, form our Pastoral Search Committee, and share updates from BAPC ministries.



Senior Sunday

Sunday, May 18, 10:30am

We'll be honoring our high school graduates during worship on Sunday, May 18! Parents, please email 3-5 photos of your graduate (from any age/stage) to bapc@bapc.org for inclusion in the slides.



2025 Photo Directory

Starting today!

If you have moved or changed your contact info, please email the office at bapc@bapc.org. If you'd like to be added to this year's directory or update your photo, please email Whitney at wkelly@bapc.org. Directory photos will be taken after worship today, May 11, 18, and 25.



The Gathering Table A BAPC Cookbook

We're putting together a church cookbook and would love for you to be part of it! Please visit bapc.org/cookbook to submit your favorite recipes—entrées, sides, desserts, even your best smoked or grilled creations. Where able, please send us your favorite Bible verse or a photo of your dish!

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Bible Study May 16, 7pm

What is wisdom? How can we grow in it?
Join us for our monthly study of Proverbs,
as we look at chapter 9 together!

This study meets in the Adult Sunday School room.



Men's Breakfast May 24, 8am

Join us for a hot breakfast, fellowship, and a
chance to get to know the men on BAPC!
This month, we'll wrap up our study on the
Fruit of the Spirit with a devotional on self-control.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Vacation Bible School June 2-6, 2025

This year we will travel to ancient
Egypt, where we will meet the one
true God, who provides and saves!

To register your child or volunteer with VBS,
please visit bapc.org/vbs



Nursery Volunteers Sign up begins today!

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.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: C. Briggs
Next Week: B. Calhoun

Deacon of the Day

Today: A. Kroese
Next Week: S. Ramsey

Nursery (9am)

Today: Molly Kang
Next Week: TBD

Communion Preparation

May: K. Felts
June: L. Hendrickson

Greeters

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

Infant Nursery (10:30am)

Today: D. Kelley
Next Week: K. Felts

Coffee & Donuts

Today: C. McCarty
Next Week: J. Farland

Children's Church

Today: Kroeses + S. Lindblom
Next Week: Simpson Family

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Porter Family
Next Week: McGregors + A. Lindblom

MISSIONS UPDATE



June Missionary of the Month Wayne and Amy Newsome

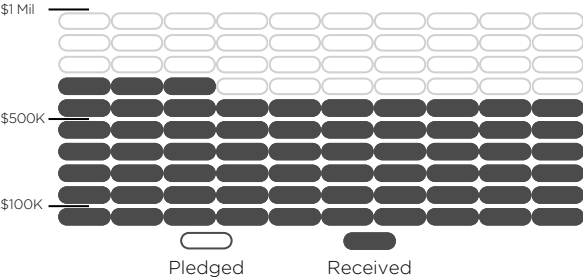
Wayne is the team leader of the MTW
Nagoya church planting team, serving in
one of the major urban areas of Japan.

Amy works as a counselor in the MTW Counseling
Network, as well as in a practice in Nagoya. She also
serves as the leader of member care in the Asia/Pacific
region of MTW. Please pray for Wayne as he leads the
church planting team and for Amy and her counseling
ministry, that it would be another place where God's love
can be expressed and experienced. Pray for Nisshin
Christ Church, their church plant, and for the
development of Japanese leaders who can be pastors,
elders, and deacons in the church.

NEHEMIAH PROJECT

Second Year Goal Period November 2024-2025

Amount Pledged: \$1,500
Amount Received: \$29,274



Principal Paid (Nov 2023-Present): \$638,662
Current Mortgage Balance: \$391,435

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

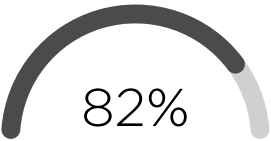
Infant Nursery, Room 106

**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

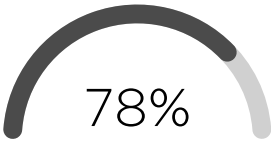
Monthly Giving

April Giving Goal: \$56,722
April Actual Giving: \$46,526
Amount Under: (\$10,196)



Annual Giving

July 2024-June 2025 Annual Budget Goal: \$737,381
Received as of 4/30/25: \$576,645
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: (\$160,736)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall: (\$33,112)



STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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