



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 12, 2023

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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

Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?

-Jesus

Gladly we desire to make other men perfect, but we will not amend our own fault.

-Thomas A Kempis

Saint abroad, and a devil at home.

-John Bunyan

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 96

Leader: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
he is to be feared above all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

**People: Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and glory are in his sanctuary.**

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.

**All: Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.
Hallelujah!**

**Please stand if you are able.*

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

HYMN OF ADORATION*

Trinity Hymnal #296 (1,3,5)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder
Psalm 8 (How Majestic Is Your Name)

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

CALL TO RENEWAL

Colossians 2:13-15
Elder Curtis Briggs

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our frivolous attitude toward life, our callousness toward suffering, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

1 Peter 1:18-21

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

————— 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

arr. Harlan

A Thanksgiving Trilogy

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 2:17-29

¹⁷Now you, if you call yourself a Jew; if you rely on the law and boast in God; ¹⁸if you know his will and approve of what is superior because you are instructed by the law; ¹⁹if you are convinced that you are a guide for the blind, a light for those who are in the dark, ²⁰an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of little children, because you have in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth—
²¹ you, then, who teach others, do you not teach yourself? You who preach against stealing, do you steal? ²²You who say that people should not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? ²³You who boast in the law, do you dishonor God by breaking the law? ²⁴As it is written: “God’s name is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you.”

²⁵Circumcision has value if you observe the law, but if you break the law, you have become as though you had not been circumcised. ²⁶So then, if those who are not circumcised keep the law’s requirements, will they not be regarded as though they were circumcised? ²⁷The one who is not circumcised physically and yet obeys the law will condemn you who, even though you have the written code and circumcision, are a lawbreaker.

²⁸A person is not a Jew who is one only outwardly, nor is circumcision merely outward and physical. ²⁹No, a person is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is circumcision of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the written code. Such a person’s praise is not from other people, but from God.

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Knowing the Living God - A Study of Romans
Hypocrisy

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Trinity Hymnal #598 (1,2,3)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

BENEDICTION*

**Welcome! We're so glad you're here with us today.
To find out more about our upcoming events, studies, and more
please visit bapc.org/announcements**

11/15	Middle School and High School Youth Groups	7pm
11/18	Mission Trip Zoom Informational Meeting	10am
11/19	Christmas Bake Sale	10am
11/19	Christmas Dinner Ticket Sales Begin	
11/19	Poinsettia Dedications Begin	
11/26	No Sunday School (All Ages)	

Please note that the youth groups will not meet on Wednesday, November 22nd.



Christmas Cookie Bake Sale, Next Weekend

Calling all bakers! We're looking for donations of one batch of your favorite Christmas cookies for our bake sale next weekend. Cookies can be dropped off in the sanctuary kitchen from 3-5pm on Saturday, November, 18th. Mixed cookie plates will be sold for \$10 each next Sunday, November 19th. All proceeds will benefit our annual Christmas dinner.



BAPC Short Term Mission Trip Meeting, Saturday at 10am

Our Missions Committee is working to organize a trip to serve the Tohono O'odham people of Arizona the week of March 11-15, 2024, in collaboration with Michael Wadham and Mission To The World. Join us for an informational Microsoft Teams meeting with Michael this Saturday at 10am; please contact Kathy Felts or the church office for the meeting link. The meeting will be recorded for those who are unable to attend.



Poinsettia Dedications, Next Sunday through December 14th

Poinsettias are a thoughtful way to honor a loved one or show appreciation to a friend or family member. Help us beautify our sanctuary this Christmas by purchasing and dedicating a poinsettia. Dedications will be featured in the bulletin and slides on December 24th and plants may be gifted or taken home that evening. Visit the lobby table or bapc.org to purchase beginning November 19th!



Deck The Halls, November 26th at 12pm

You're invited to join us as we prepare for Christmas by decorating our building! Please bring an appetizer or snack to share and plan to join us after worship for a fun and festive afternoon.



Choir Concert and Dinner, December 10th at 5pm

This annual tradition is the highlight of the Christmas season! Join us on Sunday, December 10th at 5pm for a free Christmas concert and a catered dinner afterward. Dinner tickets may be purchased at bapc.org/announcements or in the lobby beginning next Sunday, November 19th.



Christmas in the Pines, December 16th at 7pm

Carols, cocoa, cookies, and more! All are invited to a time of outdoor worship, fellowship, and refreshments under our lit pine trees. Please bring a blanket or chairs with you for seating, and feel free to invite friends or neighbors.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



**Middle & High School Youth Groups
Wednesdays, 7pm**

Build friendships, deepen your knowledge of God, and discover practical ways to live out your faith with us each Wednesday at 7PM! High school students meet in the upstairs youth room, middle school guys in the conference room, and middle school girls in the upstairs middle school room.



**Kids' Cookie Decorating Party
December 16th, 6:15pm**

Unleash your creativity at our Christmas Cookie Decorating Party! Join us for sweet treats and holiday fun in the gym before Christmas in the Pines. Please RSVP at bapc.org/announcements or contact the church office.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



**Ladies' Christmas Tea
December 7th, 7pm**

You're invited to our annual Christmas party at the home of Karen Calhoun! Please bring a wrapped ornament and an appetizer and join us for fellowship, carols, an ornament exchange and more. RSVP to Karen by phone/text or contact the church office; due to parking limitations please carpool if possible.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Curtis Briggs
Next Week: Chris D'Souza

Deacon of the Day

Today: Dennis Radford
Next Week: John Cover

Greeters

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

Communion Preparation

December: Jack + Heather Amuny
January: Kathryn Felts

Children's Church

Today: Juli + Aaron Simpson
Next Week: Lynn Hilmers + De Meeh

Infant Nursery

Today: Laura Gelber
Next Week: Molly Kang

Toddler Nursery

Today: Austin + Courtney Owens
Next Week: Adam + Ruth Sidor

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Kyle Bullock
Next Week: Lynn Hershey

MISSIONS UPDATE



During the month of November, please be in prayer for Larry and Sandy Rockwell, who have been serving with MTW among the Quechua people in the Andes of Peru since 2004. Their primary ministry focus is reaching this indigenous people group in the highly isolated mountain villages with the Gospel. They accomplish this in a variety of ways, including using a technique called Orality, or storytelling, to convey the progress of redemption from Genesis to Acts. Since the Quechua are mainly subsistence farmers, Larry has also been sharing conservation agricultural techniques with them to help improve their crops in a way that will better provide for their families and open the door for sharing God's word with them in their language of Quechua.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT BAY AREA PRESBYTERIAN

Adults

Obtaining Godly Wisdom, Room 88

9th - 12th Grade

Galatians, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade

Corinthians to Philemon, Room 91

3rd - 4th Grade

God's Servants, Room 104

1st - 2nd Grade

Pleasing God, Room 102

PreK - Kindergarten

God Keeps His Promises, 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.*

GIVING UPDATE

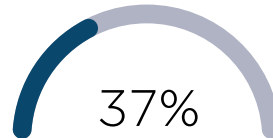
Monthly Giving

November Giving Goal: \$51,529
November Actual Giving: \$13,959
Amount Under: (\$37,570)



Annual Giving

July 2023-June 2024 Annual Budget Goal:	\$682,760
Received as of 11/5/23:	\$253,780
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal:	(\$428,980)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall:	(\$0)



STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Chris Yates, Pastor
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