

Bay Area PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 22, 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

Gratitude is an offering precious in the sight of God, and it is one that the poorest of us can make and be not poorer but richer for having made it.

— A.W. Tozer

True gratitude or thankfulness to God for his kindness to us, arises from a foundation, laid before, of love to God for what he is in himself.

— Jonathan Edwards

Thanksgiving is the gratitude which ascribes to him the praise of all our blessings.

— John Calvin

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

TIME OF PRAISE

Call to Worship*

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

People: **Know that the LORD is God.**
It is he who made us and we are his;
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!

**Please stand if you are able.*

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Hymn of Adoration*

Trinity Hymnal #98 (1,2,3)

Now Thank We All Our God

Prayer of Adoration

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, No. 86

Leader: We have been delivered
from our misery
by God's grace alone through Christ
and not because we have earned it:
why then must we still do good?

All: **To be sure, Christ has redeemed us by his blood.**
But we do good because
Christ by his Spirit is also renewing us to be like himself,
so that in all our living
we may show that we are thankful to God
for all that he has done for us,
and so that he may be praised through us.

And we do good
so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits,
and so that by our godly living
our neighbors may be won over to Christ.

Songs of Praise*

Oh, How Good It Is
Christ Is Mine Forevermore

Call to Renewal

Jonah 2:7-9

"When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, LORD, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple. “Those who cling to worthless idols turn away from God’s love for them. But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, ‘Salvation comes from the LORD.’”

Confession of Sin

Our gracious and sovereign God,
We thank you for every mercy that flows from your fatherly hand.
You have redeemed us through Christ, adopted us as your children,
and sealed us with your Spirit.
Every good gift we enjoy—our daily bread, our church family,
the provision you have poured out, and the hope of glory—
comes from your generous grace alone.
Forgive us for receiving your gifts without praise.
Turn our hearts again to you,
that we may delight in your steadfast love,
walk in joyful obedience,
and use all you have entrusted to us
for the honor of your name.
We give you thanks, O Lord,
for you do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.
To you be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus,
now and forevermore. Amen.

Private Confession and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103:8-12

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; 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 Assurance*

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

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

1 Timothy 6:17-19

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

Choral Anthem

arr. Benjamin 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.

Scripture

Psalm 116

1 I love the LORD, because he has heard
my voice and my pleas for mercy.
2 Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
3 The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
I suffered distress and anguish.
4 Then I called on the name of the LORD:
"O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"

5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
our God is merciful.
6 The LORD preserves the simple;
when I was brought low, he saved me.
7 Return, O my soul, to your rest;
for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

8 For you have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears,
my feet from stumbling;
9 I will walk before the LORD
in the land of the living.

10 I believed, even when I spoke:
"I am greatly afflicted";
11 I said in my alarm,
"All mankind are liars."

12 What shall I render to the LORD
for all his benefits to me?
13 I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,
14 I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people.

15 Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of his saints.
16 O LORD, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the son of your maidservant.
You have loosed my bonds.
17 I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.
18 I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people,
19 in the courts of the house of the LORD,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.
Praise the LORD!

As we are currently without a pastor, we are grateful to have Elder Mike Bliss filling the pulpit and bringing God's Word to us this morning.

Sermon *Elder Mike Bliss*

Thanksgiving That Is Alive

Hymn of Response* Trinity Hymnal #55 (1,2,3)

To God Be the Glory

Benediction*

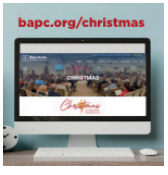
**The benediction is much more than a wish or even a prayer. It is a renewed ordination of the people of God to their service to each other, to their community and the world. God declares his own favor toward his people.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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	Mission Trip Bake Sale	12pm
Today	Deck the Halls	12:30pm
Today	Grace of God Ministry (Morada)	1:30pm
11/28	Kids' Cookie Party	10am
11/29	No Sunday School	9am
11/29	Sunday Morning Singers Rehearsal	12pm
12/3	Ladies' Christmas Tea	6:30pm
12/6	Deadline to purchase concert dinner tickets	8pm

Please note that there is no Choir or Youth Group this Wednesday.
Happy Thanksgiving!



Join us in December!
Visit bapc.org/christmas

Looking for details on our upcoming Christmas events or the links to RSVP for them? At bapc.org/christmas you can dedicate a poinsettia, purchase tickets for the choir concert dinner, and find information about all of our holiday events!



Deck the Halls & Mission Trip Bake Sale
Today

Join us after worship as we decorate our sanctuary and lobby for Christmas! Snacks will be provided. And don't forget to stop by the conference room and pick up a Thanksgiving dessert at our bake sale! All proceeds will go toward offsetting travel and other expenses for our mission trip.



Kids' Christmas Cookie Party
Saturday, 10am

Decorate cookies (without the cleanup) with us! Families of all ages are invited to join us in the gym to make, eat, and bring home some sweets.



Choir Christmas Concert & Dinner
Sunday, December 13, 5pm

This annual tradition is the highlight of the Christmas season! Join us on Sunday, December 13 at 5pm for our Choir Christmas Concert and a catered dinner afterward. Concert tickets are free, dinner tickets are $20 for a pasta dinner ticket and $5 for a kids' pizza ticket, and may be purchased now through December 6 at bapc.org/christmas or by calling the church office.



BAPC Nursery
Could you help care for our youngest members?

We're creating the winter rotation for our nursery and are looking for more hands to read to and play with our youngest members! All volunteers will be background checked, though you do not need to be a member of BAPC to serve. Sign up in the lobby or contact Hannah Stahl to learn more!

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day
Today: Tim Bonvillian
Next Week: Bill Calhoun

Deacon of the Day
Today: Ethan Stahl
Next Week: Ethan Stahl

Coffee & Donuts
Today: Ethan Stahl
Next Week: TBD

Greeters
Today: E. Esis + C. Schmidt
Next Week: Melodye Crosland

Nursery (9am)
Today: TBD
Next Week: TBD

Infant Nursery (10:30am)
Today: TBD
Next Week: TBD

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)
Today: Sidor Family
Next Week: TBD

Children's Church
Today: TBD
Next Week: TBD

Communion Preparation
December: Lindblom Family
January: J. Romero + A. Esis

GIVING UPDATE

Fiscal Year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027

Monthly Giving

November Giving Goal:	$64,423
November Actual Giving:	$26,414
Amount Under:	($38,009)

41%

Annual Giving

Annual Budget Goal:	$670,000
Received to Date:	$243,579
Remaining to Annual Goal:	$426,421

36%

At current giving rates, full-year giving is forecast to be approximately $621,444.

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

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

Kurt and Jill have served with MTW's Global Muslim Ministry for many years, sharing the gospel and equipping churches and leaders across Europe and Central Asia. Their ministry has included outreach, church planting, and leadership development, including training short-term teams and interns to serve among Muslim communities.

In 2025, they relocated to Central Asia to be catalysts for raising up new GMM teams to serve in this region. Central Asia is home to frontier unreached people groups with less than 0.1% Christians of any kind. Opportunities abound for people to serve in professional capacities among people who have never heard the good news about Jesus.

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest"
Matthew 9:37-38

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