



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 26, 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

Gratitude is worth the effort since, once mastered, it is the one virtue that makes all other virtues (and indeed everything else in life) much easier.

-Robin Phillips

That man is perfect in faith, who can come to God in the utter dearth of his feelings and desires, without a glow or an aspiration, with the weight of low thoughts, failures, neglects, and wandering forgetfulness, and say to Him, "Thou art my refuge."

-George MacDonald

One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

-Luke 17:15

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

— TIME OF PRAISE —

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nehemiah 9:5-6

Leader: Stand up and praise the LORD your God,
who is from everlasting to everlasting.

People: **Blessed be your glorious name, and may it be exalted
above all blessing and praise.**

Leader: You alone are the LORD.
You made the heavens, even the highest heavens,
and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it,
the seas and all that is in them.

All: **You give life to everything,
and the multitudes worship you.
Thanks be to God!**

**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 #115 (1,4,5)

All Creatures of Our God and King

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62)

Grace Unmeasured

TIME OF RENEWAL

CALL TO RENEWAL

Philippians 4:6-7

Elder Mike Bliss

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Father in heaven, we give you thanks for bringing your kingdom into the world through Jesus Christ. Your kingdom has begun to spread its healing reign into our lives and into our world. We have begun to taste of your goodness, yet there is much that remains broken in our lives and in our world. You have told us to live in the hope of your kingdom continuing its spread. Yet we have often lost hope. We have given up the fight in many ways. We have often settled for the mediocre kingdoms of this world: power, image, fame, money and pleasure. Forgive us and renew us. Teach us to wait in hope. Teach us to live in hope. Teach us to work in hope. Bring your kingdom. We need it. Our world needs it. In Christ's name, Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Psalm 32:1-2

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Come Ye Sinners

————— 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

Gilpin

Let Us Sing, Jubilate Deo!

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

Psalm 100

- ¹ Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
² Worship the Lord with gladness;
 come before him with joyful songs.
³ 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.
⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving
 and his courts with praise;
 give thanks to him and praise his name.
⁵ For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
 his faithfulness continues through all generations.

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Gratitude

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Trinity Hymnal #649 (1,2,3,4)

More Love to Thee, O Christ

BENEDICTION*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Today	Deck the Halls	12pm
11/29	Middle School & High School Youth Groups	7pm
12/17, 12/24, & 12/31	No Sunday School (All Ages)	

Please note that Sunday Supper will not take place in December. Sunday Supper will resume on January 7, 2024.



Deck The Halls, Today at 12pm

Join us today after worship as we prepare for Christmas by decorating our building! We'll have snacks available and decorating tasks for all ages.



Poinsettia Dedications, Today through December 20th

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 after worship or bapc.org to purchase.



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 following worship. Please kindly purchase your ticket by December 3rd so that we can give a firm number to the caterer.



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.



Sanctuary Foster Care Christmas Party, December 16th from 2-7pm at Sagemont Church

Encourage and serve local foster parents and their children by volunteering at Sanctuary's Christmas party! BAPC's Micah Ministry is seeking volunteers to help set up, serve food, help children with crafts, assist parents in the gift shopping room, direct parking, and break down. If interested, please sign up by scanning the QR code to the left and contact Callie Edwards.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Chris D'Souza
Next Week: Mike Bliss

Deacon of the Day

Today: John Cover
Next Week: Steve Ramsey

Greeters

Today: Bill + Lauren Shaw
Next Week: Marilyn Smith + Eric Simpson

Infant Nursery

Today: Molly Kang
Next Week: Karen Radford

Toddler Nursery

Today: Hannah + Ethan Stahl
Next Week: Mary Helen Ortega + Sonia Benitez

Children's Church

Today: Whitney Kelley
Next Week: Andrew Boone

Communion Preparation

December: Jack + Heather Amuny
January: Kathryn Felts

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Lynn Hershey
Next Week: Ethan Bouck

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY


Youth Group Christmas Parties
December 13th, 7pm

Middle and High School students are encouraged to invite a friend or two and join us for snacks, games, and more! Please bring a wrapped gift (\$10 or less) if you would like to participate in the gift exchange.


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 at 6:15pm. 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.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



Thank you for your generous support of Operation Christmas Child this year! Because of your generosity, we were able to send 97 gifts and a discipleship program to children all over the world.

Please continue to pray for the children who will receive these gifts, that they may come to know and love the Lord.

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 storying, 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.

NEHEMIAH PROJECT

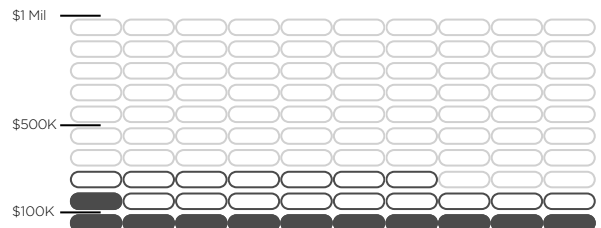
Initial Goal Period
November 2023-2024

Amount Pledged: \$270,040

Amount Received: \$114,090

Current Mortgage Balance: \$1,026,162

Additional principal payments will be made on the last day of each month, beginning November 30, 2023.



Pledged

Received

Pledge Cards Collected: 8

Nursery

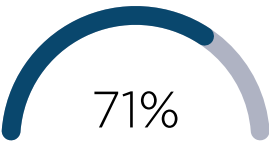
Toddler Nursery, Room 108
Infant Nursery, Room 106

*Please note, there will be a church-wide Sunday School break
on November 26, 2023*

GIVING UPDATE

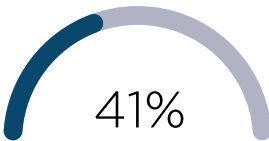
Monthly Giving

November Giving Goal: \$51,529
November Actual Giving: \$36,779
Amount Under: (\$14,750)



Annual Giving

July 2023-June 2024 Annual Budget Goal: \$682,760
Received as of 11/19/23: \$276,600
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: (\$406,160)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall: (\$0)



STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Chris Yates, Pastor
Kaitlin Fenner, Director of Business Operations
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John Cover
David Kelley
Dennis Radford
Steve Ramsey