



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 20, 2024

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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

Several years ago an experienced cotton-mill manager said to me, “Your greatest danger is letting the urgent things crowd out the important.” He didn’t realize how hard his maxim hit. It often returns to haunt and rebuke me by raising the critical problem of priorities.

-Charles E. Hummel

In other words, the most notorious, plain, and victorious truth of God is that God participates in our history—even yours and mine. Our history—all our anxieties—have become the scene of his presence and the matter of his care. We are safe. We are free. Wherever we turn we shall discover that God is already there. Therefore, wherever it be, fear not, be thankful, rejoice, and boast of God.

-William Stringfellow

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.
-Jesus

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

— TIME OF PRAISE —

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalms 147

Leader: Praise the LORD!
How good it is to sing praises to our God,

People: How pleasant and fitting to praise him!

Leader: He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.

**People: He determines the number of the stars
and calls them each by name.**

Leader: Great is our Lord and mighty in power;
His understanding has no limit.

All: Praise the LORD!

**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 #302 (1,2,3)

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

This Is Amazing Grace
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

CALL TO RENEWAL

Colossians 3:12-14

Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Most merciful God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy, we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such a trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION & REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Nothing But The Blood (RUF)

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

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Spirit, Now Live in Me

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

6 Now when Sanballat and Tobiah and Geshem the Arab and the rest of our enemies heard that I had built the wall and that there was no breach left in it (although up to that time I had not set up the doors in the gates), ²Sanballat and Geshem sent to me, saying, “Come and let us meet together at Hakkephirim in the plain of Ono.” But they intended to do me harm. ³And I sent messengers to them, saying, “I am doing a great work and I cannot come down. Why should the work stop while I leave it and come down to you?” ⁴And they sent to me four times in this way, and I answered them in the same manner. ⁵In the same way Sanballat for the fifth time sent his servant to me with an open letter in his hand. ⁶In it was written, “It is reported among the nations, and Geshem also says it, that you and the Jews intend to rebel; that is why you are building the wall. And according to these reports you wish to become their king. ⁷And you have also set up prophets to proclaim concerning you in Jerusalem, ‘There is a king in Judah.’ And now the king will hear of these reports. So now come and let us take counsel together.” ⁸Then I sent to him, saying, “No such things as you say have been done, for you are inventing them out of your own mind.” ⁹For they all wanted to frighten us, thinking, “Their hands will drop from the work, and it will not be done.” But now, O God, strengthen my hands.

¹⁰Now when I went into the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah, son of Mehetabel, who was confined to his home, he said, “Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple. Let us close the doors of the temple, for they are coming to kill you. They are coming to kill you by night.” ¹¹But I said, “Should such a man as I run away? And what man such as I could go into the temple and live? I will not go in.” ¹²And I understood and saw that God had not sent him, but he had pronounced the prophecy against me because Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. ¹³For this purpose he was hired, that I should be afraid and act in this way and sin, and so they could give me a bad name in order to taunt me. ¹⁴Remember Tobiah and Sanballat, O my God, according to these things that they did, and also the prophetess Noadiah and the rest of the prophets who wanted to make me afraid.

¹⁵So the wall was finished on the twenty-fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty-two days. ¹⁶And when all our enemies heard of it, all the nations around us were afraid and fell greatly in their own esteem, for they perceived that this work had been accomplished with the help of our God. ¹⁷Moreover, in those days the nobles of Judah sent many letters to Tobiah, and Tobiah’s letters came to them. ¹⁸For many in Judah were bound by oath to him, because he was the son-in-law of Shecaniah the son of Arah: and his son Jehohanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam the son of Berechiah as his wife. ¹⁹Also they spoke of his good deeds in my presence and reported my words to him. And Tobiah sent letters to make me afraid.

Nehemiah: Repairing the Ruins
Seeking First What Matters Most

SONG OF RESPONSE*

Behold Our God

BENEDICTION*

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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**

10/21	Women's Bible Study (Zoom): Acts	7:30pm
10/23	Women's Bible Study: Acts	10am & 7pm
10/23	Middle School and High School Youth Groups	7pm
10/26	Men's Breakfast	8am



Operation Christmas Child Now through November 10

Bring hope through the good news of Jesus Christ to children worldwide by packing a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child! Shoeboxes are available for pickup in the lobby. Please return by November 10 and consider adding \$10 to cover the shipping costs. Thank you for your generosity and your prayers for these children!



4B Disaster Response Network Saturday Serve November 2nd at 8am

Restore homes devastated by natural disasters and get to know others at BAPC by serving alongside them! No tools or experience required; open to ages 12+. Free childcare and lunch for children will be provided at the church from 7:30am-12:30pm. Please sign up at bapc.org/announcements



The Orchard: College & Career Small Group Begins November 12th at 6pm

Study the Word and live life alongside other college and early career adults at BAPC. This new small group will meet on Tuesday nights at BAPC in the upstairs youth room.

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Chris D'Souza
Next Week: TBD

Deacon of the Day

Today: John Cover
Next Week: TBD

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Lynn Hershey
Next Week: Ethan Bouck

Communion Preparation

November: Linda Hendrickson
December: TBD

Greeters

Today: Shaw Family
Next Week: Eric Simpson
+ Marilyn Smith

Nursery (9am)

Today: Tracy Kubena
+ Cathy Mahlstedt
Next Week: Annie Briggs
+ Caroline Boone

Infant Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Kang Family
Next Week: Kathy Felts

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)

Today: D'Souza Family
Next Week: Amy Antill
+ McGregor Family

Children's Church

Today: Sonia Benitez
+ Judy Gidden
Next Week: Sonia Benitez
+ Judy Gidden

MEN'S MINISTRY



Men's Breakfast Saturday, October 26 at 8am

Hungry for community? Enjoy a hot breakfast, a devotional on patience, and a chance to get to know the men of BAPC through fellowship. Join us for the final meeting of 2024!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Women's Bible Study: Acts Wednesdays

Join us for a look into the lives of the apostles in the days following Christ's resurrection and ascension! This study will meet on Mondays at 7:30pm (Zoom) and Wednesdays at 10am and 7pm. Childcare is available. For more details and to register, visit bapc.org/women.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Midweek Youth Groups Wednesdays at 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 meet in the conference room and middle school girls in the upstairs middle school room.

MISSIONS UPDATE



October Missionary of the Month Jody Collinge

Jody Collinge works with community health evangelism ministries around the world through the Global CHE Network.

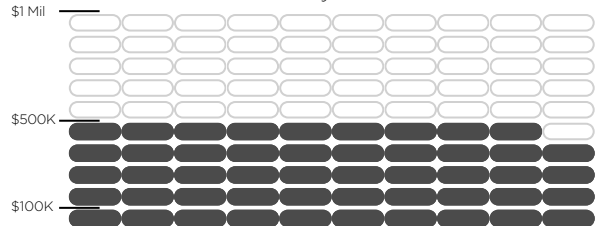
She primarily develops training materials and works with Children's CHE, or community health evangelism with children. CHE is an integral or wholistic ministry, bringing health and wholeness in Christ through Christian community development. While not traveling, Jody works with children in Zihuatanejo, Mexico. Jody requests prayer for the Global CHE Network service team and the many teams doing CHE and Children's CHE in Africa and around the world.

NEHEMIAH PROJECT

Initial Goal Period November 2023-2024

Amount Pledged: \$311,070
Amount Received: \$495,437
Current Mortgage Balance: \$473,381

Additional principal payments will be made on the last day of each month.



Pledged

Received

Pledge Cards Collected: 17

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT BAY AREA PRESBYTERIAN

Adults

The Kingdom of God, Room 88

Youth Membership Class

Conference Room

9th - 12th Grade

King David, Youth Room

5th - 8th Grade

Bible Survey: Genesis-Exodus, Upstairs Middle School Room

3rd - 4th Grade

Telling Others, Room 104

1st - 2nd Grade

Studying God's Word, Room 102

PreK - Kindergarten

Serving the Savior, Room 107

Nursery

Toddler Nursery, Room 108

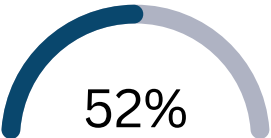
Infant Nursery, Room 106

**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

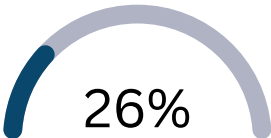
Monthly Giving

October Giving Goal: \$56,722
October Actual Giving: \$29,397
Amount Under: (\$27,325)



Annual Giving

July 2024-June 2025 Annual Budget Goal: \$737,381
Received as of 10/6/24: \$194,436
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: (\$542,945)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall: (\$18,270)



STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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