



Bay Area

PRESBYTERIAN

ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 15, 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

Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain.

-Psalm 127:1

I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

-Jesus

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

————— TIME OF PRAISE —————

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 99:1-5

Leader: The LORD reigns,
let the nations tremble;
**People: He sits enthroned between the cherubim,
let the earth shake.**

Leader: Great is the LORD in Zion;
he is exalted over all the nations.
**People: Let them praise your great and awesome name—
he is holy.**

Leader: The King is mighty, he loves justice—
you have established equity;
in Jacob you have done
what is just and right.
**People: Exalt the LORD our God
and worship at his footstool;
He is holy!**

**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 #310 (1,2,3)

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

PRAYER OF ADORATION & INVOCATION

SONGS OF PRAISE*

*Come Praise and Glorify
Your Will Be Done*

————— TIME OF RENEWAL —————

CALL TO RENEWAL

Jeremiah 33:14-16

“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah. In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line; he will do what is just and right in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior.”

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and merciful Father, we admit before you that we often find it difficult to live in community with one another, as you call us to. We are judgmental toward others, particularly when you have given us strength in an area where they are weak. We frequently struggle with malice, hypocrisy, envy, deceit, and slander. Though at times we may control our tongues, in our minds we rehearse endlessly the sins and weaknesses of others, as we try to justify ourselves and feel superior. At times we cause others to stumble into sin, and so do damage to their hearts and souls. Father, forgive us for these many sins that we commit each and every day. We cast ourselves on your mercy and thank you for the blood of Christ, which cleanses us from all sin and for the obedience of Christ, which replaces our record of rebellion with the glory of his perfect holiness. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION & REFLECTION

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

1 John 3:1a

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

I Set My Hope

————— 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

Jonathan Martin, Joseph M. Martin, Joel Raney

Whirlwind Spirit

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

Nehemiah 3:1-32

3 Eliashib the high priest and his fellow priests went to work and rebuilt the Sheep Gate. They dedicated it and set its doors in place, building as far as the Tower of the Hundred, which they dedicated, and as far as the Tower of Hananel. **2**The men of Jericho built the adjoining section, and Zakkur son of Imri built next to them.

3 The Fish Gate was rebuilt by the sons of Hassenaah. They laid its beams and put its doors and bolts and bars in place. **4**Meremoth son of Uriah, the son of Hakkoz, repaired the next section. Next to him Meshullam son of Berekiah, the son of Meshezabel, made repairs, and next to him Zadok son of Baana also made repairs. **5**The next section was repaired by the men of Tekoa, but their nobles would not put their shoulders to the work under their supervisors.

6 The Jeshanah Gate was repaired by Joiada son of Paseah and Meshullam son of Besodeiah. They laid its beams and put its doors with their bolts and bars in place. **7**Next to them, repairs were made by men from Gibeon and Mizpah—Melatiah of Gibeon and Jadon of Meronoth—places under the authority of the governor of Trans-Euphrates. **8**Uzziel son of Harhaiah, one of the goldsmiths, repaired the next section; and Hananiah, one of the perfume-makers, made repairs next to that. They restored Jerusalem as far as the Broad Wall. **9**Rephaiah son of Hur, ruler of a half-district of Jerusalem, repaired the next section. **10**Adjoining this, Jedaiah son of Harumaph made repairs opposite his house, and Hattush son of Hashabneiah made repairs next to him. **11**Malkijah son of Harim and Hasshub son of Pahath-Moab repaired another section and the Tower of the Ovens. **12**Shallum son of Hallohesh, ruler of a half-district of Jerusalem, repaired the next section with the help of his daughters.

¹³The Valley Gate was repaired by Hanun and the residents of Zanoah. They rebuilt it and put its doors with their bolts and bars in place. They also repaired a thousand cubits of the wall as far as the Dung Gate.

¹⁴The Dung Gate was repaired by Malkijah son of Rekab, ruler of the district of Beth Hakkerem. He rebuilt it and put its doors with their bolts and bars in place.

¹⁵The Fountain Gate was repaired by Shallun son of Kol-Hozeh, ruler of the district of Mizpah. He rebuilt it, roofing it over and putting its doors and bolts and bars in place. He also repaired the wall of the Pool of Siloam, by the King's Garden, as far as the steps going down from the City of David. ¹⁶Beyond him, Nehemiah son of Azbuk, ruler of a half-district of Beth Zur, made repairs up to a point opposite the tombs of David, as far as the artificial pool and the House of the Heroes.

¹⁷Next to him, the repairs were made by the Levites under Rehum son of Bani. Beside him, Hashabiah, ruler of half the district of Keilah, carried out repairs for his district. ¹⁸Next to him, the repairs were made by their fellow Levites under Binnui son of Henadad, ruler of the other half-district of Keilah. ¹⁹Next to him, Ezer son of Jeshua, ruler of Mizpah, repaired another section, from a point facing the ascent to the armory as far as the angle of the wall. ²⁰Next to him, Baruch son of Zabbai zealously repaired another section, from the angle to the entrance of the house of Eliashib the high priest. ²¹Next to him, Meremoth son of Uriah, the son of Hakkoz, repaired another section, from the entrance of Eliashib's house to the end of it.

²²The repairs next to him were made by the priests from the surrounding region. ²³Beyond them, Benjamin and Hasshub made repairs in front of their house; and next to them, Azariah son of Maaseiah, the son of Ananiah, made repairs beside his house. ²⁴Next to him, Binnui son of Henadad repaired another section, from Azariah's house to the angle and the corner, ²⁵and Palal son of Uzai worked opposite the angle and the tower projecting from the upper palace near the court of the guard. Next to him, Pedaiiah son of Parosh ²⁶and the temple servants living on the hill of Ophel made repairs up to a point opposite the Water Gate toward the east and the projecting tower. ²⁷Next to them, the men of Tekoa repaired another section, from the great projecting tower to the wall of Ophel.

²⁸Above the Horse Gate, the priests made repairs, each in front of his own house. ²⁹Next to them, Zadok son of Immer made repairs opposite his house. Next to him, Shemaiah son of Shekemiah, the guard at the East Gate, made repairs. ³⁰Next to him, Hananiah son of Shelemiah, and Hanun, the sixth son of Zalaph, repaired another section. Next to them, Meshullam son of Berekiah made repairs opposite his living quarters. ³¹Next to him, Malkijah, one of the goldsmiths, made repairs as far as the house of the temple servants and the merchants, opposite the Inspection Gate, and as far as the room above the corner; ³²and between the room above the corner and the Sheep Gate the goldsmiths and merchants made repairs.

MESSAGE

Pastor Chris Yates

Nehemiah: Standing Firm in the Face of Opposition
I Will Build My Church

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Trinity Hymnal #598 (1,2,3)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

BENEDICTION*

NOTES

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**

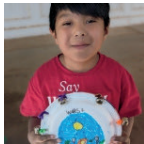
9/16	Women's Bible Study (Zoom): Acts	7:30pm
9/18	Women's Bible Study: Acts	10am & 7pm
9/18	Middle School and High School Youth Groups	7pm
9/20	Men's Bible Study	7pm



Sunday Supper

Sunday, October 6 at 5:30pm

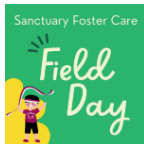
Join us for fellowship and a delicious contest of skill as we crown our next Chili Champion! To attend October's Sunday Supper, or to sign up as a cook off competitor, please visit bapc.org/announcements. Not a chili chef? Bring your favorite side dish or dessert instead!



2025 Mission Trip Interest Meeting

Sunday, October 6 at 12pm

Wondering what it's like to go on a mission trip? Want to help our mission trip team with planning and fundraising? Join our interest meeting and find out more about our upcoming trip to Arizona in March of 2025 and how you can get involved!



Sanctuary Foster Care Field Day

Saturday, October 12

Help local foster families build community through fellowship and fun! BAPC is hosting a field day at our property on October 12 from 10am-1pm, with setup beginning at 9am. Whether you'd prefer to help at a game station, pass out refreshments, or visit with families in the gym, there's a place for you at this event!



Missionary Visit: Michael Wadhams

Sunday, October 13

MTW missionary Michael Wadhams will be visiting next month to share updates on his ministry to the Lummi, Nooksack, and Tohono O'odham people and to talk about our upcoming mission trip to Arizona March 15-23, 2025. Save the date and make plans to join us after worship for a fellowship lunch!

VOLUNTEER ROTATION

Elder of the Day

Today: Mike Smith
Next Week: Curtis Briggs

Deacon of the Day

Today: John Cover
Next Week: John Cover

Coffee & Donuts

Today: Lynn Hershey
Next Week: Ethan Bouck

Communion Preparation

October: Linda Hendrickson
November: Clay McCarty
+ Marilyn Smith

Greeters

Today: Shaw Family
Next Week: Marilyn Smith
+ Kris Benavides

Nursery (9am)

Today: Tracy Kubena
+ Cathy Mahlstedt
Next Week: Hannah Stahl
+ Rachael Beth Henry

Infant Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Amy Antill
Next Week: Caroline Boone

Toddler Nursery (10:30am)

Today: Benitez Family
Next Week: Bouck Family

Children's Church

Today: Lynn Hershey
+ Scott Hansen
Next Week: Simpson Family

MEN'S MINISTRY



**Men's Bible Study
This Friday at 7pm**

Looking to grow in wisdom? Join us for our monthly study of Proverbs and learn what Scripture says about wisdom and how we can grow in it. Meet us in the Adult Sunday School room!



**Men's Breakfast
Saturday, September 28 at 8am**

Hungry for community? Join us for a hot breakfast, a devotional on peace, and a chance to get to know the men of BAPC through fellowship.

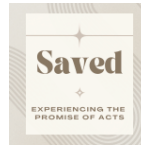
YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



**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.

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.

MISSIONS UPDATE



**September Missionary of the Month
Dony and Sharon St. Germain**

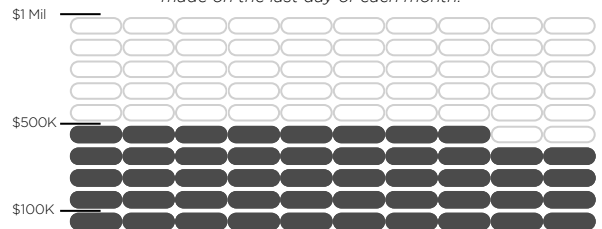
Dony and Sharon are dedicated to the cause of Haitian and Haitian-American Ministries, under the umbrella of Missions to North America (MNA) and El Shaddai Ministries International (ESMI). Dony is the pastor of El Shaddai Presbyterian in Miami, which serves as a home base for outreach to the ever-growing Haitian people of South Florida. Through ESMI, the St. Germain's and their team minister to the people of Haiti through education, evangelism, empathy, and economic development. Please join us in praise for the church leaders that God is raising up in Haiti and continue to pray that God would provide abundantly for their ESMI's financial needs, as they work to meet the spiritual and tangible needs of the Haitian people.

NEHEMIAH PROJECT

**Initial Goal Period
November 2023-2024**

Amount Pledged: \$311,070
Amount Received: \$486,167
Current Mortgage Balance: \$489,296

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



Pledged Received

Pledge Cards Collected: 17

Adults

The Kingdom of God, Room 88

Youth Membership Class

Conference Room

9th - 12th Grade

King David, Room 94

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.*

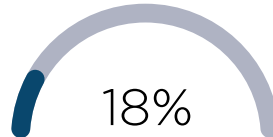
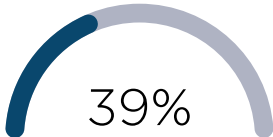
GIVING UPDATE

Monthly Giving

September Giving Goal: \$70,902
September Actual Giving: \$27,521
Amount Under: (\$43,381)

Annual Giving

July 2024-June 2025 Annual Budget Goal: \$737,381
Received as of 9/8/24: \$132,876
Amount Needed to Reach Annual Goal: (\$604,505)
Year To Date Budget Shortfall: (\$8,928)



STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Chris Yates, Pastor
Kaitlin Fenner, Director of Business Operations
Whitney Kelley, Director of Communications & Media
Traci Lewis, Director of Accounting
Marcy Ramsey, Assistant to the Pastor
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Chris D'Souza
Mike Smith

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