
BAYSHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 18, 2022

The Fourth Sunday of Advent



“Love Embodied”

WELCOME TO BAYSHORE

Prelude

The Virgin's Lullaby
The Little Son of God
Adoration Medley

Bayshore
Instrumentalists

Call to Worship

#76 O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v.4)

Jason Mann

Lighting of the Advent Candle:

Ben Kirby

Reader: The prophet Isaiah said: "Therefore, the Lord will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son and shall name him Immanuel." The gospel of Matthew tells us that Joseph heard these words: "*Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means, 'God is with us.'*"

All: **We light these candles, the candle of joyous hope, of proclaimed peace, of deep everlasting joy, and today of presence that speaks of love, as a sign that no matter our circumstance, we know we are not alone.**

Candle of Love is lighted.

Welcome & Collect

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

† Hymn

#94 Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Congregation

† Scripture Reading

Isaiah 7:10-16 p.681
Matthew 1:18-25 p.955

Deacon of the Week

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Silent Meditation

Hymn

#109 Love Came Down at Christmas

Congregation

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Closing with The Lord's Prayer (using "trespasses")

Musical Reflection

Away in a Manger/Silent Night

Rachel Mann

& Julie Webb

(acc. Doug Brickett &
Agnieszka Zick)

Worship through Tithes & Offerings

Children, Kindergarten – 5th grade, are dismissed for Children's Church.

† **Doxology**

Congregation

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

(Sung to the tune on p. 253)

Sermon

Rev. Sara Hunt-Felke

"Love Embodied"

† **Hymn of Response**

Congregation

Hope, Peace, Joy and Love (see insert)

Bayshore is a welcoming fellowship. We invite those who desire to unite with the life and ministry of the church to express that by coming forward and speaking to one of the pastors at this point in the service.

The Ordinance of Holy Communion

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

† **Choral Benediction**

Congregation

To God Be the Glory

O come, let us adore him!
O come, let us adore him!
O come, let us adore him!
Christ the Lord!

Postlude

Doug Brickett

O Come, All Ye Faithful



WAYS TO GIVE

- ⇒ Place tithes and offerings in the offering plates
- ⇒ Text *bayshorebaptist* to (833) 245-9223
- ⇒ Online at <https://pushpay.com/pay/bayshorebaptistchurch>

Year End Gifts to Bayshore This Advent Season

Your gift to Bayshore this month will be matched now through Christmas. All 2022 contributions must be received by December 30 at 5pm. If you need to drop off a contribution at the church office December 26-30, please contact Deb Alexander 717-580-9814.



As you finish up your shopping this season (or anytime!) support Bayshore through AmazonSmile! Just type "smile.amazon.com" on your web browser or activate it through the Amazon Shopping app. AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to Bayshore.

Rev. Bill Scarle's Wednesday Bible Study

Rev. Scarle's Wednesday Night Bible Study class is going strong on Zoom (Zoom Meeting ID: 818 2880 0368, Passcode: 242176). Join us at 6:30pm!

Christmas Eve and Christmas Services

We hope you will all join us for our Christmas Eve service 12/24 at 6pm & then our service on Christmas morning 12/25 10:30am.

Church Offices Closings

Bayshore's Church Office will be closed Mon Dec 26, Tue Dec 27, and Thu Dec 29.

CBF Global Mission Offering

December is CBF Global Missions Month! From Amani Sasa in Kampala, Uganda, to Cultivate Abundance in Immokalee, Florida, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Field Personnel create beloved community by meeting people where they are. If you'd like to make an offering, take one of the little cardboard banks in the church lobby display, fill it with loose change or bills, & return it to the Altar Table in the Sanctuary by Christmas Eve. Any form of donations are welcomed. Help us maintain our presence around the world as we bear witness to Christ which always results in transformed lives.

