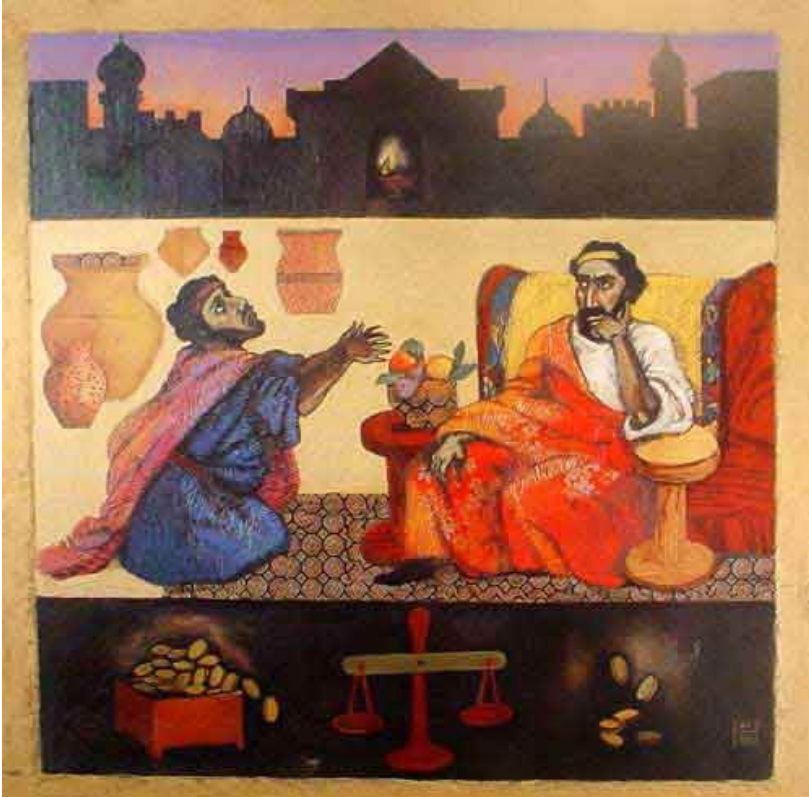

BAYSHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, September 17, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost



Art: "The Unforgiving Servant" by Nelly Bube (Kazakhstan)

“Forgiveness:
Love meeting reality”

WELCOME TO BAYSHORE

Prelude

Reverie *by Emile*

Rejoice In His Holy Name by Sir George Elvey

Agnieszka Zick

The Lighting of the Christ Candle & Bible Opener

Johnny and Eve Costa

Welcome & Collect

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

*O God, because without you we are not able to please you,
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct
and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
for ever. Amen.*

Passing of the Peace

† Hymn

#2 Holy, Holy, Holy

Congregation

Scripture Reading

Psalm 114 p. 604

Matthew 18:21-35 p. 975

Jane Lang

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

Silent Meditation

† Hymn

#122 Tell Me the Story of Jesus

Congregation

Prayers of the People

Keith King

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

Musical Reflection
“Softly and Tenderly”

Michael Costa

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. Dr. Scott Stearman

“Forgiveness: Love Meeting Reality”

† **Hymn of Response**

Congregation

#371 I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord

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. Sara Hunt-Felke

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

† **Choral Benediction**

Congregation

To God be the glory!
To God be the glory!
To God be the glory for the things He has done!

Postlude

Agnieszka Zick

Fantasia in D Minor, TWV 33:2
by G. P. Telemann

3 WAYS TO GIVE

- ◆ Offering plates
- ◆ Text *bayshorebaptist* to (833) 245-9223
- ◆ Online pushpay.com/pay/bayshorebaptistchurch
(Use QR code for direct access)



The altar flowers today are given by Carolyn Strange, in memory of Elizabeth on her birthday on September 18th, and in honor of James on his birthday on September 24th.

Wednesday Activities Are In Full Swing

Wednesday Night activities at Bayshore ramped up this week, and we'll be going strong until Advent! LOFT students begin at 6pm, while Shore Kids and adults begin at 6:30pm. Choir Rehearsal will move to 7:30pm, too.

Pastor Scott's Wednesday Discussion Series

Pastor Scott's Wednesday Night Discussion Series is a "reading day" this week, but he will be back next week, September 27, at 6:30pm. All are welcome to join the conversation about the Enneagram using Richard Rohr's work, [The Enneagram, A Christian Perspective](#), as a guide.

Come to the All-Church Picnic!

Get ready for an All Church Picnic! Games, fun and fellowship together on Picnic Island **October 8th**. You bring your "Tried and True" sides and treats, we'll provide fried chicken lemonade. Can't wait to fellowship with our church family!

Sunday Chapel Series

Join Pastor Sara in the Chapel for a discussion series "Won't You Be My Neighbor" Sunday Mornings at 9:30am in the Chapel through September. The Sunday Chapel Series continues in October when Janet Salyers leads us in the conversation "Grief: A Path Through Loss and Disappointment."

Backpack Ministry Food Drive

Please bring SINGLE SERVING packages of mac & cheese, Spaghetti O's, chili, soup, ravioli, etc., to go into the backpacks of kids here in our community who live with food insecurity. Donation baskets in the lobby and vestibule now through Sept. 24.

Personalized Offering Envelopes

If you would like personalized offering envelopes for 2024, please email Deb or fill out a form and deposit it in the basket in the lobby. **The deadline is SEPTEMBER 24th.**

Join Us At Faith Cafe

Bayshore leads Faith Café on the 4th Sunday of every month from 4-6:15pm, and we'd love more volunteers! Faith Café provides meals in a restaurant setting to friends in need, as well as an on-site shower station, an Angel closet and referral resources for our community. If you'd like to take part this September 24th, reach out to Amanda Pearce or Jim Neill.

