
BAYSHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 10, 2023

The Second Sunday of Advent



“Where’s the Peace?!”

WELCOME TO BAYSHORE

Prelude

Carols of the Star
Cradle Song

Doug Brickett

Call to Worship

#76 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 2)

Lighting of the Advent Candle:

Steve, Kory & Brooke
Thomas

Reader One: We are the followers of Isaiah's "stem arising from the root of Jesse": Jesus the Prince of Peace. We are the ones who are now called to stand as a signal to the world, to all of creation, that peace is the will of the one who created us.

Reader Two: We light these candles, the candle of joyful hope and the candle of proclaimed peace, in part to remind ourselves that we are a people rising toward God's promise.

ALL: May they represent a sign that we hold on to hope and work the ways of peace.

Candle of Peace is lighted.

Welcome & Collect

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

† Hymn

#89 O Come, All Ye Faithful

Congregation

† Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11 p. 714

Mark 1:1-8 p. 990

Steve Pawelkop

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

Silent Meditation

† **Hymn** Congregation
#103 Away in a Manger

Prayers of the People Keith King

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

Musical Reflection Chancel Choir

"Lo, How a Rose e'er Blooming"
14th century German melody

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

"Where's the Peace?!"

† **Hymn of Response** Congregation
#86 O Little Town of Bethlehem

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

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

Postlude Doug Brickett
Fantasia on Dix

3 WAYS TO GIVE



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

Women's Advent Gathering

Gather for an evening of fellowship and creativity next ***NEXT*** Sunday, December 10th from 6-8PM. We'll be making ornaments together- no experience or craft skills needed! Simply come, enjoy some holiday refreshments and a good time together!

Choral Christmas Next Sunday

Bayshore's Children's choir, Chancel Choir, instrumentalists, and soloists help prepare our hearts for the season next Sunday during Worship.

Luminaries

Don't forget to order your luminaries for the Christmas Eve Service. The cost is \$10 for each luminary you order (cash/check or Pushpay.com/bayshorebaptistchurch). Order forms in the lobby and narthex

Christmas Eve Service Yard Signs

Bayshore Christmas Eve Service lawn signs are available for your yard or window! It's a great way to share that all are welcome to our 6pm Christmas Eve Service. Take a photo of each sign you see around town, send it to Susie in the office. #BBCinthewild

Advent Devotion Books

The 2023-2024 Advent Devotion Books available in the lobby.

Wednesday Night Activities

Our usual Wednesday Night activities are on hold until January. Rev. Scarle's Bible Study will be going strong on Zoom! (Zoom Meeting ID: 818 2880 0368, Passcode: 242176) at 6:30pm every Wednesday!

End of Year Contributions

All contributions for 2023 must be received by December 29th at 5pm. If you need to drop off a contribution at the church office December 26-29, please contact Deb Alexander 717-580-9814.

CBF Global Missions

CBF banks are ready for you to fill and return. We will be collecting this offering through the end of 2023, highlighting it on Christmas Eve. Your gifts support the work of more than 50 field personnel in 18 countries as they bear witness to Jesus Christ, cultivate beloved community, and seek transformational development.

