
BAYSHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 1, 2024

The First Sunday of Advent



"Joseph's Dream" by Gaetano Gandolfi (1790)

"Joseph's Courage"

WELCOME TO BAYSHORE

Prelude

Benedictus, *by Gordon Young*
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence,
by Albin C. Whitworth

Doug Brickett

Call to Worship

“Once in Royal David's City”

Julie Webb

Lighting of the Advent Candle:

Mike Chiles
and Linda Hall

Reader One: “I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord!’” (Psalm 122:1 NRSV)

Reader Two: We are glad. Whether we drove in or logged in. We are glad to be here in this community, with this family. It is a place of joyful hope, of radical welcome. It is a place where, together, we can wait in wondrous anticipation of the kingdom to come.

ALL: We light this candle as a sign of our hope, our joyous hope that we can be restored – our faith restored, our strength restored, our confidence restored, our joy restored as we watch and wait with all God’s people for the promise to be fulfilled.

Candle of Hope is lighted.

Welcome & Collect

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

† Hymn

#199 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Congregation

† Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16 p. 787
Matthew 1:18-25 p. 955

Jimmy Thomas

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

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

The Ordinance of Holy Communion

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

Musical Reflection

Agnieszka Zick, soloist

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)

† Hymn

Congregation

#79 Blessed Be the God of Israel

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Scott Stearman

"Joseph's Courage"

† Hymn of Response

Congregation

#77 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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.

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

Postlude on Hymn to Joy, *by Gordon Young*



WAYS TO GIVE

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

First Sunday Good Habits

On the first Sunday of each month, the Bayshore family practices the “Good Habits” of wearing name tags during worship, as well as collecting a benevolence offering. Please consider contributing to the fund we use to meet emergency needs in our community as you exit the service, and reach out to greet one another today with the love and spirit of Jesus.

Today’s Advent Celebrations!


It’s a BIG day of Celebration! Shore Kids Advent Party is 2-4pm. Meet in Fellowship Hall for games, prizes, ice cream—and MORE! Students close out the evening with The LOFT Christmas Party from 5-7pm—Gingerbread House Decorating Contest, \$10 gift swap, and Christmas Karaoke!

Giving Tuesday December 3

On Dec. 3, we’re launching a special campaign to raise funds for essential repairs and upgrades to protect against leaks and improve our cooling systems. Your support will create a welcoming environment for everyone, year-round. Go to bayshorebaptistchurch.com/giving-tuesday or use the QR code.



Women’s Advent Gathering

 The Women’s Advent Luncheon is Dec. 8th immediately following Sunday Worship! Lunch will be served, as well as a devotion, cookie decorating, and an Angel Tree for monetary donations benefitting our friends at the Hyde Park Assisted Living Facility. RSVP using the QR code or at tinyurl.com/BBCWomensAdvent

Metropolitan Ministries Food Drive Barrels

We are collecting food to feed our community this Christmas season! Between Nov. 24—Dec. 15, gather up some non-perishables and drop them in Met Min’s blue barrels in the lobby.

Christmas Eve Service Yard Signs

Bayshore 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.

Christmas Toy Drive for Kingdom Kids

We are collecting Barbie dolls, basketballs, Hot Wheel cars, etc., for our Mission Partner Kingdom Kids! The toys go to two elementary schools with a focus on kids from Kindergarten to 2nd Grade (5-7 years old). Deadline December 15th.



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