

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
The Evangelical Covenant Church of Bay Indies
Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

10:00 AM

Prelude	Away in a Manger-Medley	Pete Vaast
Welcome & Church Life		Wanda Thies
Christmas Poem		Hal Bates
Call to Worship		
Choral Introit	Comfort My People	ECCBI Choir
Advent Candle Lighting	Love	Jean and Marci Shantz

*Hymn #147 O Come All Ye Faithful

***Responsive Reading**

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the Glory due His Name

People: Bring an offering and come into His courts

Leader: O worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness

People: Serve Him with gladness, all the earth

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings to the Lord

Offertory	It Came Upon a Midnight Clear	Pete Vaast
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***Doxology**

Personal Prayer (Silent praise, confession, and intercession)

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer	Pastor Tom Thies
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Hymn # 269 (insert) How Great Our Joy

Scripture Reading	Isaiah 61: 1-3, Luke 4:18-19	Judy Koepke
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Special Music	Mary, Did You Know?	Pete Vaast
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Sermon	The Promise Completed	Pastor Tom Thies
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*Hymn # 138 Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

*The Benediction Pastor Tom Thies

*Postlude Betsy Wagner

The Church Bell Chimes indicate the start of worship and the beginning of our recording.

*** You may choose to stand or remain seated.**

CHURCH LIFE

Altar Flowers: are provided by Diane Hartley and Misty McDuffie

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Global Mission Emphasis: Organizations working to end human trafficking, such as **International Justice Mission** and **ECC "Free"**

Local Mission Emphasis: Agape Flight Pilots, Crew, and volunteers

Pray for the many members of our congregation who are dealing with illness and recovering from surgery

Pray for **Mike Rafferty** who will be having surgery this week.

Rehab: **Bill Whitman** in PA

Hospice Care: **Dick Cross, Ron Peltier**

Recovering at home: **MaryAnn Olund**

Dealing with Cancer: **Kay Johnson, Kevin Muldoon, Marty Donovan**

Pray for our outreach in the Bay Indies Community. *You are the Church.*

Please let us know if you are **not** on the **mailing list** for church news, devotions, and Sunday Services and would like to be included. Email your request to wanda.i.thies@gmail.com to be added to the church updates mailing list.

Christmas Eve Service, 12/24, will be held in Bay House at 5:00 PM. Come and Worship, Christ the Newborn King!

BIRTHDAYS

Linda Rafferty 12/21, David Warner 12/24

ANNIVERSARIES

Jan & Pete Vaast 12/21, Mike & Deb Martin 12/23

Head Usher: Hal Bates

Usher/Greeters:

Linda Taylor & Bob Ferguson

Pam Gabie & Molly Prosser

MERRY CHRISTMAS



From your council members: Diane Carl, Carol Geoffroy, Jan Nichols, Nan McCleerey, Nancy Janish, Joyce Logan, Linda Rafferty, Bob Ferguson, Laurie Aronson, Jim Amerman



SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 61:1–3 (ESV)

¹The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; ²to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³to grant to those who mourn in Zion— to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified.

Luke 4:18–19 (ESV)

¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”

Attendance Last Sunday

In-Person: 77

Online Church: 85

Online Attendance- Our online church consists of those who are unable to attend, currently, as well as friends of the church across the country and our Canadian Church family. Thank you for being a part of this ministry through your faithful participation, forwarding the message to others, and for your continued faithful support of your church.

CHURCH WEBSITE

WWW.BAYINDIESCHURCH.COM

You will find video recordings of previous services and copies of the worship folders. You may also place a confidential prayer request by clicking on the tab- Send a prayer request. Be sure to let Pastor Tom and Wanda know how we can pray for you.



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