SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE The Evangelical Covenant Church of Bay Indies

March 27, 202210:00 AMPreludeI Will Sing of the MerciesPete VaastWelcome & Church Life

*Hymn (insert) #338 Wonderful Grace of Jesus

*Unison Prayer

Call to Worship

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Special Music Above All ECCBI Choir

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory I'll Fly Away Pete Vaast

*Doxology #638

Personal Prayer (personal confession, praise, and prayers of intercession)

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer Pastor Tom Thies

Hymn (insert) # 92 O How I Love Jesus

Scripture Reading Hebrews 11:39-12:2 Ron Hamilton

Special Music Great is Thy Faithfulness Helen & Rebekah Smith

Message: "Something Better for Us" Tim Smith

* Hymn # 396 Standing on the Promises

*The Benediction Pastor Tom Thies
Postlude Betsy Wagner

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

CHURCH LIFE

Altar flowers: are provided by George Alexander and Nancy Janish in memory of our sons, Scott, and David.

Our Special Guests today are **Tim and Helen Smith,** ECC missionaries and their daughter, **Rebekah**. They will be sharing about their work through the years and how God will continue to use them as a newly retired couple.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pastor Tom Thies

<u>Global Mission Emphasis</u>: Evangelical Covenant Churches around the world <u>Local Mission Emphasis</u>: Pray for the Body of Christ serving in churches in our local community.

Pray for local, national and world leaders, that they would seek God's wisdom as they lead.

Continue to pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia.

Pray for your neighbors. Continue to pray for the members of our congregation who are dealing with illness, recovering from surgery, or unable to attend currently.

In Hospice Care: Dick Cross, Ron Peltier

Pray for continued healing for Pete Vaast, MaryAnn Olund, Richard Welch, Nan McCleerey, Frank Valora, Kathy Harold, Trevor Percy, Bill Whitman. Pray for those in our community that you know are "standing in the need of prayer."

Global Missions Special Offering: Our special offering today is in support of our missionaries, the Clausons and Norens.

Good Friday Service: will take place in Bay House on Friday, April 15th at 12:00 noon.

BIRTHDAYS

Steve Hartley 4/1, Paul Harrington 4/2

Head Usher: George Alexander
Usher/Greeters:
Pam Gabie & Molly Prosser
Jane McKenzie & Pam Walton
Bob Ferguson

^{*} You may choose to stand or remain seated.

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 11:39–12:2 (ESV)

³⁹And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.



Tim and Helen Smith and family were blessed to be part of the BICC missions staff for approx. 25 years. They served in Zaire (now Dem. Republic of Congo) from 1976 to 1999 and Equatorial Guinea, Africa from 1999 to 2010. They returned to the Congo in 2010 where they worked until retirement in 2021. Helen is the daughter of Luella Hubbling, who served on the BICC missions committee at various times of her 20 happy years in Venice (1996 until her passing in 2016).

Attendance Last Week: In-Person: 63 Online Church: 50

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, copies of the worship folders, and pictures of activities.



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