

# MISSION BAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

## WELCOME

If you are visiting MBCC for the first time below is some info to help you navigate your evening with us. Please see the “THE INSERT” for info on upcoming events and other announcements. If you have any questions or want to be added to our weekly eZine, please feel free to contact us at [info@missionbaycc.org](mailto:info@missionbaycc.org). Again, thanks for hanging out with us this evening, we are glad you are here!

## CHILDREN

There is no church school for the summer, so all children are invited to stay in worship. Kids K and under may also go to childcare located through the right side double doors and down the stairs.

## COFFEE

Please feel free to grab some coffee or snacks from the entrance areas and bring them into worship.

## TWITTER

We welcome and encourage you to find ways to connect to the MBCC crew, so if a thought, prayer, question or aha hits you some time during worship or the week, please feel follow and direct your musing to @mbcc.

## DINNER

happens downstairs after we finish with the formal worship service each week. All are welcome—this is best place to get to know this community. We worship by being in community too. \$5 suggested donation to help offset annual dinner costs.

## About MBCC Worship...

We are a church community who thinks and believes that worship should be fun, meaningful, and interactive. We understand that people receive and process information in different ways so we invite you to open yourself to experiencing God through singing, silence, prayer, journaling, listening, responding, praying, or, if you need, getting up and wandering about with a cup of coffee.

## Why we Worship...

We gather as the Body of Christ to respond to God for the blessings in our lives and to grow into a Spirit-filled community of energy, intelligence, imagination, and love.

## Some other Worship Values...

Our worship is informed by a variety of styles, rituals and traditions but we see these things only as avenues for connecting with God, nothing more, nothing less. We value the rhythms of life, so we celebrate such church seasons as Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and the “ordinary” times in between. We also value the power of language and use a broad use of Biblical imagery for and about God. Lastly, in our act of worship, we embrace the idea that we best discern the Mind of Christ and the Will of God TOGETHER.

*Sunday, 11.21.10*

Preacher: Rev. Bruce Reyes-Chow

Music Leader: Pete Feltman

Dinner Hosts: Denise and Tom Kendall and the kidz

Ministers and Artists, The Community

*This Sunday Evening...*

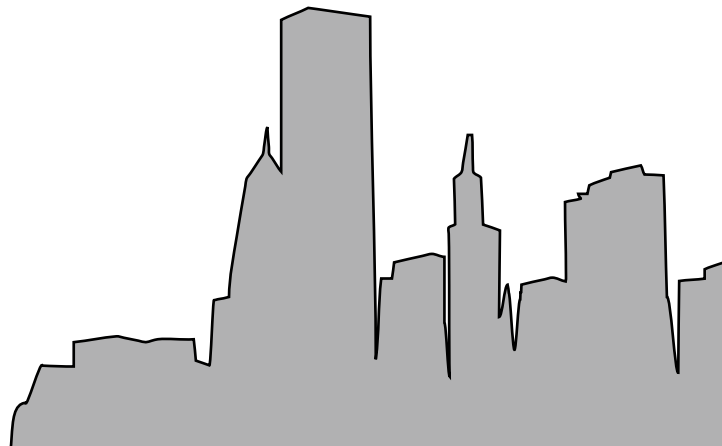
Thank you for spending your evening here at Mission Bay Community Church. We hope that you will find ways that will open your heart, mind, and soul to the presence of the Spirit of God.

Our Sunday Worship gathering is a time for God’s people to gather in Christian community, to give thanks to God for the blessings in our lives and to respond in ways that God would hope for us. If you are new to the whole church thing, know that it is our hope that God meets you wherever and however God intends.

As we continue our season of stewardship here at MBCC, tonight we will look at how our past can inform and compel us into a future that God may intend.

If you have any questions about life, faith, or church, please feel free to drop me a note or give me a call.

*Bruce, the Pastor here*



# THE PERSPECTIVES OF OUR PAST

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**PASTOR BRUCE**

## *Order of Worship*

**Opening Prayer**

**Song**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Song**

**Prayer of Confession & Silence**

**Stewardship Moment, “Keith Kemp”**

**Scripture Reading:**

*The Revised Common Lectionary is a three-year cycle of readings that both gives us a glimpse into the fullness of what the Bible has to offer and joins us to thousands of congregations around the world that are exploring the same texts. All scripture readings come from the Today’s New International Version (TNIV) or the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) of the Bible.*

## **2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17**

1 Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers and sisters,<sup>2</sup> not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by the teaching allegedly from us—whether by a prophecy or by word of mouth or by letter—asserting that the day of the Lord has already come. <sup>3</sup> Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness<sup>[a]</sup> is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. <sup>4</sup> He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

<sup>5</sup> Don’t you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things?

<sup>13</sup> But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because God chose you as first fruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup> He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word

of mouth or by letter. <sup>16</sup> May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, <sup>17</sup> encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

**Stations:**

**Prayer candles, Communion, Song and Reflection**

**Community Prayers**

**New Members**

**Closing Song and Offering**

**Charge and Benediction**

*Please feel free to join us downstairs for dinner and fellowship*

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*November 21, 2010*

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## **The Meaning of Membership**

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14 Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. 15 Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the head, that is, Christ. 16 From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. - Ephesians 4:11-16

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## Questions for the Members

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If so, say I DO.

Do you renounce evil and affirm your reliance on God's grace as experienced in our live, in community and in the world?

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Will you be an active participant in the life, worship and mission of the church, both in the particular congregation and in the world.

If so, say I WILL.

## Questions for the Congregation

Do we as family, friends and church promise to guide and nurture these new members by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of the family of God?

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Your weekly glimpse into the chaotic and lovely crew that is Mission Bay Community Church.\*

In prayer please take time to pray for:

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**this week** in the next seven days:

- **TODAY Sunday:** Dinner w/Denise, Tom and the kids!
- **Monday, 10-3:** MBCC Office Hours
- **Thursday:** Thanksgiving Dinner Potluck, 6:00 here at MBCC, see Miriam@missionbaycc.org for more info!
- **NEXT Sunday:** *First Sunday in ADVENT!*

**coming soon** mark your calendars:

- **Church School:** Church school during worship for elementary school kids starting on December 5. Thanks to the teachers who have taken up the challenge!
- **Advent Bible Study I:** Stephanie and Ken Lai have offered to host a 3-part Bible Study in the Mission Bay area. December dates TBA, see Bruce if interested.
- **Advent Bible Study II:** Tiffany Flaming will be leading a lunchtime study somewhere near Union Square. December dates TBA, see Bruce if interested.
- **Stewardship 2011:** We will begin our stewardship campaign today, so please take some time to reflect on how you may be part of the future of MBCC! We will dedicate our pledges on December 5, 2010
- **Book Group:** Fall Book Friday nights 6:30-8:30  
*12.10.10:* "Everyday Justice" by Julie Clawson
- **20<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary:** Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 7-10'ish – Bruce and Robin will celebrate their 20<sup>th</sup> and you're all invited to party and help launch MBCC's newest program!
- **Freedom Sunday:** W/thousands of other churches, on March 13 our worship will focus on modern day slavery and human trafficking. [www.freedomssunday.org](http://www.freedomssunday.org)

**ongoing activities**

- **Food Pantry:** MBCC sponsored Excelsior Community Food Pantry takes place every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday's with MBCC providing volunteers each 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. For more info eMail [foodpantry@missionbaycc.org](mailto:foodpantry@missionbaycc.org)
- **Pastoral Care Team:** If you have a prayer, need support, have an approaching milestone or are interested in learning more about the PCT please the contact: [pastoralcare@missionbaycc.org](mailto:pastoralcare@missionbaycc.org).
- **Goodreads:** If you are on Goodreads, a few folks are gathering together. Search for "MBCC Book Group."
- **Social Networks:** Visit [blog.missionbaycc.org](http://blog.missionbaycc.org) or on Facebook ([missionbaycc](https://www.facebook.com/missionbaycc)) or on Twitter ([@mbcc](https://twitter.com/mbcc))

**our finances** a financial snapshot of mbcc

April: -\$1666      May: -\$894      June: +\$1,451  
July: -\$2,730      Aug: +\$3,433      Sep: -2,025  
TOTAL 2010: -\$4,231/year or -\$529/month

**on the offering board** give back to god

fill out a slip on the board and drop it in the offering basket when it comes around or email [info@missionbaycc.org](mailto:info@missionbaycc.org)

- **Song Requests:** If there are some songs that you would like to request - no promises – please let Pete know!
- **Prayer Cards:** Please fill out a prayer card with your joy or concern and too whom you wish it to go. You can drop it in the offering basket as it goes around.
- **Bible Studies:** Let us know if you are interested in any of the Bible Studies that are going on this year!
- **Church School:** Would you like to help with church school: teach, plan and/or organize as we, AGAIN, explore how to best nurture our kids in the faith.
- **Dinner Hosts:** Dinner is one of the best parts about the MBCC community, but we need folks to host. We can reimburse you so don't let cost hamper you, just bring your hospitality and help feed the crew.
- **Do you eBay?:** If you do and would like to sell some things on our behalf, please let us know.

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- **Girls Scouts, Troop 30409:** MBCC hosts a Girl Scout Troop with some of our girls and parents involved in its running. Contact the office for more info.
- **Online Giving:** To sign up for automatic giving to mbcc please visit: [www.missionbaycc.org/donate/](http://www.missionbaycc.org/donate/) or donate via Paypal to [info@missionbaycc.org](mailto:info@missionbaycc.org)
- **YELP:** If you are a Yelper, we would really appreciate you taking the time to leave a review! Thanks!
- **eScrip.com:** Automatically donate a percentage of your purchases through Safeway, B&N, etc. Group:1579000

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\***"the insert"** add your event information

If you would like anything in "The Insert" please send it to the church office by Friday, Midnight for inclusion on Sunday: [info@missionbaycc.org](mailto:info@missionbaycc.org)