

December 14, 2025; 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Advent Worship Celebration - Third Sunday
With Baptisms
“Great Joy”

Today’s Message:

“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.” Romans 14:17

This third week of advent focuses on the theme of joy. Perhaps no greater aspect of the birth of the Christ Child displays the natural inclination of excitement than that of joy at the birth of a child. However, this wasn’t just any child, this was the Savior of the world. His role was to bridge the gap between sinful man and a holy God, between a lost soul and the heaven for which we long. The birth of Jesus brings natural joy, but also the joy of fulfilled prophecies and the offering of salvation to all mankind. It is a fitting time to celebrate with a number of candidates for baptism, symbolizing the rebirth of the spirit and the beginning of true worship and honor for the Son of Man and Savior of the world. Let us rejoice with exceedingly great joy!

Order of Service:

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Opening Old Testament Scripture: Isaiah 9:1-3 (ESV)

Baptismal Service: (see insert)

Prayers: Special Prayers & Specific Requests & Testimonies

Offering: At entrance in the foyer, via mail or online (go to Giving in the Connect menu on our web site).

Announcements: (next column)

Praise In Song: Hymn #7 - “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Today’s New Testament Scripture: Luke 2:1-21 (ESV)

Closing Prayer

Announcements and Calendar Events (also see our web site calendar):

Ladies Devotional Zoom Meeting, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 PM; December 16th: Kathy Fritzel will be doing a Christmas Devotional. Moe Smith will send an email with a Zoom link. moe@baycommunity.org

Memorial For Homeless, December 17th, 6 PM: For those who may be interested, this will be held at the Church of The Good Shepherd, 74 High Street, Wareham. This recognizes National Homeless Day and the ceremony will honor those that have lost their lives due to being unsheltered.

Praise Team Practice, Wednesdays, 7 PM, December 17th: For those who may be interested in joining the Praise Team, please come join us! *Also, please note there will be no practice on December 24th, Christmas Eve, or 31st, New Year’s Eve.*

Prayer Conference Call, Thursdays, 7 PM, December 18th: Prayer is the first work for Christians and the Church and God’s house shall be a house of prayer! Join us as we unite in prayer to see God at work. You can join via telephone conference call: Call 774-220-4000, enter the ID code 02532 to join the Mobile Prayer Meeting. *We’re taking the 25th & January 1st off for Christmas & New Year’s.*

Last “All of Jesus” Alliance Christmas 2025 Offering Collection, December 21st: The Alliance Christmas Offering is one of the Alliance family’s key moments to expand gospel presence among the world’s remaining unreached peoples. It’s about all of us joining in to complete the Great Commission; by giving, praying, and participating in what God has commanded us to do.

Men’s Bible Study, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 PM, December 23rd: Live & Zoom Bible Study – Join us for “Basics of Christianity” - Walk in the Spirit. We would love to have you join us live at the church or by Zoom; Pastor Mac will send an email with a link. pastor@baycommunity.org

Christmas Caroling & Candlelight Service, December 24th, 6 PM: Join us for an evening filled with singing Christmas Carols throughout the neighborhood, then our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, followed by fellowship with all who attend.

Men’s Breakfast, First Saturday of the Month, January 3rd, 7:30 AM: Join Pastor Mac Smith and the men of Bay Community for some fellowship time, as we chat, connect and discuss the Bible, how it is a part of our lives, and try to make it a bigger part of our lives.

TO OUR GUESTS

We are glad to have you worship with us as we praise Jesus Christ the Lord in song, prayer, testimony, and the study of His Word. Please fill out a guest card if this is your first time here and let us know how we can best help you to grow in the Lord so that we can serve Him together. Nursery care is available, let us know your needs. Children's Church is available downstairs for children in grades kindergarten through 4th grade after the Announcements & Hymn. Lots of additional information is available on our web site, including prayer requests. Also, if your address or contact information changes, please let us know.

WHO WE ARE

Bay Community is an Upper Cape Cod church, reaching individuals to help each one discover that knowing and worshiping God is the true meaning and purpose in life, and this can only be done through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the filling of the Holy Spirit. We meet for celebration in worship as a community and in gatherings throughout the week.

OUR MOTTO

Connecting People With God To Advance The Kingdom Of God

OUR VISION

Bay Community's vision is to help people become all that God wants them to be by connecting them with God.

OUR MISSION

We strive to be a welcoming congregation; celebrating the love of God through small group gatherings; leading people to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ; teaching them to live lives of integrity, to become a benefit to their community and the world.

If you have a need - physical or spiritual, our Church Leaders are ready to assist you as much as possible. In addition to Pastor Mac, you may call **Bay Cares** (our service committee assisting others) through Jackie Swanson at 508-295-3019.

CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

As a member of The Christian and Missionary Alliance, we believe that Jesus is our Savior, Sanctifier, Healer and Coming King; see the C&MA statement of faith. We are a member of the New England District of the C&MA, along with approximately 50 other churches throughout the region. We share a common purpose to see people throughout New England come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. To find other Alliance churches, go to: www.cmalliance.org & "Find A Church".

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1st Baptism: Joann Bergeron – Testimony & Baptism

Chorus Praise team "King of Kings"

Hymn #533 Verse 2 - "Joy To The World"

2nd Baptism: Emery O'Keefe – Testimony & Baptism

Chorus Praise team "Glory (Let There Be Peace)"

Hymn #533 Verse 3 - "Joy To The World"

3rd Baptism: Darren Gray – Testimony & Baptism

Chorus Praise team "Luke 2 – Unto You"

Hymn #533 Verse 4 - "Joy To The World"

4th Baptism: Jose Gonzalez – Testimony & Baptism

Chorus Praise team "He Shall Reign Forevermore" (If we have the 5th baptism)

If Peter is present and ready:

Hymn #7 Verse 1 - "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

5th Baptism: Peter Ullman – Testimony & Baptism

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