

July 19th, 2026: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
The Sacred Words of Christ "The Blessing"

Today's Message:

"Know then that it is those of faith who are the sons of Abraham. And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed." So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith." Galatians 3:7-9

The beatitudes are familiar to many as Jesus declares these wonderful blessings as He begins His famous "Sermon on the Mount". But what is the importance of blessing and why does Jesus begin this extended message with these nine statements of blessings? We often just read them and take them at face value without seeing their full impact. We must realize who they are for and what the advantage is of being blessed in each case. We will see that these are for those who are thriving in the Kingdom of God and will receive God's comfort and will know His presence even in negative circumstances. Almost each one listed has a negative connotation, but each is overshadowed by the very presence of God and His blessing. May we seek to develop the character qualities God desires so we may be blessed by developing qualities pleasing to the Lord.

Order of Service:

Welcome & Announcements: (next column)

Opening Prayer

Opening Old Testament Scripture: Psalm 84:1-12 (ESV)

Praise In Song With Praise Team:

"Great I Am"

"Enter This Temple"

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Prayers: Special Prayers & Specific Requests & Testimonies

Missions Moment – Prayer Letter from the "Cs" – Kathy Fritzell

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

Praise In Song: Hymn #393 - "There Shall Be Showers of Blessing"

Today's New Testament Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12 (ESV)

Message: Sacred Words of Christ - "The Blessing" – Pastor Mac Smith

Closing Prayer

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

Ladies Devotional Zoom Meeting, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 PM; July 21st, The ladies will be continuing their new series "Lyrics of Life" from the Psalms on RightNow media with Lisa Harper. Moe Smith will send an email with a Zoom link. moe@baycommunity.org

Praise Team Practice, Wednesday, 7 PM, July 22nd, For those who may be interested in joining the Praise Team, please contact Pastor Mac.

Prayer Conference Call, Thursdays, 7 PM, July 23rd, 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.

Sunday July 26th, Next Fellowship & Cookout

This month the Fellowship Meal will be the last Sunday of the month. The church will provide hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot-dogs, sausage, chicken & salad. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Join us in building up the body!

Men's Bible Study, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 PM, July 28th: Live & Zoom Bible Study – Join us for our study, "Discipleship – Now What?". 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

Next Men's Breakfast, Second Saturday of the Month, August 8th, 7:30 AM: Join the men of Bay Community for a time of fellowship and share a special Passover breakfast. We will connect and discuss the Bible, how it is a part of our lives, and try to make it a bigger part of our lives. Please note the date change!



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"

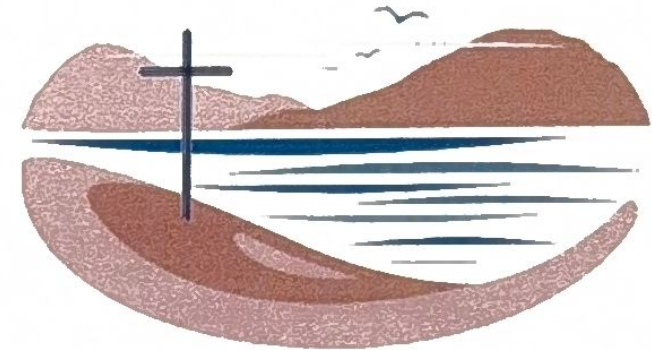
Our Vision: Bay Community's vision is to help people become all that God wants them to be by connecting them with God.

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.

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".

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 Laurie McDonald at 508-292-4830.

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