#### BAYSHORE GARDENS COMMUNITY CHURCH



#### LOVING GOD, LOVING OTHERS

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who are sad and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want friendship; to all who hunger and thirst for something real and lasting; and to all who come here, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ

Please **Silence Cell Phones At This Time** 

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# The Solid Rock

#### *Hymn # 526*

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

# When darkness veils His lovely face,

I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay.

#### When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found; Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne

WERCOME

# Lighting of the Advent Candles

## Call To Worship

#### Elder Roy Palk Liturgist

#### <u>Reader</u>: We come from a world of darkness

## People: Into Christ's world of light.

#### <u>Reader</u>: We come from a world of weariness

## People: Into God's strength and hope.

#### <u>Reader</u>: We come from a distracted world.



**Strengthened by God's** Holy Spirit, we come to awaken our souls and watch for the coming of Christ.

#### Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Hymn 244

Come, Thou long expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free; From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation; Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a king. Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring. By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all sufficient merit, Raise us to Thy glorious throne.



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### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

#### **Reader:**

# O Lord Christ, we confess our willingness to be loved

#### People: but also confess our reluctance to love others.

#### **Reader:**

# We confess our readiness to accept Your forgiving love,

#### People: but also our refusal to forgive others.

#### **Reader**:

#### We confess our eagerness to grasp Your offer of redeeming love,



## but also our resistance to follow You without question.

#### **Reader:**

In this Advent time, forgive us our failure to act and live as we should. Come to us anew, and by Your grace, assist us to receive You with joy, with gratitude, with obedience, with love, as You have loved us.

# People: Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Lord, hear our

prayers.

### A Moment for Silent Confession

## Words of Assurance and Dardon of the Gospel

#### Jeanie Smith, Liturgist

#### **Reader**:

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. (Isaiah 9.2)

# O Come, O come Emmanuel

#### O come, O come Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel That mourns in lowly exile here, Until the son of God appear.

#### Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, Thou Dayspring, come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight.

#### Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high And order all things far and nigh; To us the path of knowledge show and cause us in her ways to go.

#### Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, Desire of nations, bind All peoples in one heart and mind; **Bid envy, strife and quarrels** cease; Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

#### Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

## Teaching Moment

#### "It's (Almost) Here."

#### **Pastor Dustin**

The Lord's Prayer **OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN,** HALLOWED BE THY NAME. THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE, **ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.** GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD, AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS; AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION **BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.** FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, **AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY FOREVER** AMEN

# **OFFERTORY**

# Offsite contributions can be made via Tithely.com

#### the instructions are on our website

bayshoregardenscommunitychurch.com

or

checks can be mailed to 6228 26<sup>th</sup> street west Bradenton FL 34207

### **Offering Song:**

## "As the Deer"

## arrangement by Ken Gallo

## Holy Communion

#### *'O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL'* #249



#### [All who are able please stand]

(1) O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem! **Come and behold Him**, born the King of angels. O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.



(2) Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation; O sing all ye bright hosts of heaven above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest. O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.

(3) Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to You be all glory given; Word of the Father now in flesh appearing! O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.





#### **THE PASTORAL BENEDICTION**

#### God has a plan for you and, you are <u>EXACTLY</u> where God wants you to be.

