

*Chapel by the Sea  
Presbyterian Church (USA)  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas  
December 26, 2021*



*Chapel by the Sea was the first church on our island and remains a church for the community, welcoming all people seeking to know and serve Christ. We are a mission for Jesus Christ and church for all seasons...*

*...seasons of life*

*...seasons of the year*

*...seasons of our growth as Christians*

# A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*PRELUDE*

*Joy to the World!*  
Chapel Bells

ANTIOCH

*TOLLING OF THE BELL*

*WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

Rev. Elaine Bidgood Sveet

*CALL TO WORSHIP*

M: We come to celebrate the good news of a great joy!

**C: Glory to God in the highest!**

M: Unto us is born a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

**C: Glory to God in the highest!**

M: A multitude of the heavenly host appeared, praising God:

**C: Glory to God in the highest! Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN #23 (All Verses)

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

GLORIA

**1** Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains.

*Refrain*

Gloria, in excelsis Deo;  
Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

**2** Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
Which inspire your heavenly song? (*Refrain*)

**3** Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King. (*Refrain*)

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**      ***Psalm 148 (NRSV)***      Sondra Hunt, Liturgist

**1**Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights!

**2**Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

**3**Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

**4**Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

**5**Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and  
they were created.

**6**He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds,  
which cannot be passed.

**7**Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,

**8**fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

**9**Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

**10**Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

**11**Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

**12**Young men and women alike, old and young together!

**13**Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted;  
his glory is above earth and heaven.

**14**He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful,  
for the people of Israel who are close to him.

Praise the LORD!

## *PRAYER OF CHRISTMAS REJOICING*

**It is good to worship you this day, Lord. It is good to continue the celebration of your birth. It is good to consider what came next after the mystery and majesty of that Holy Night. It is good to find reasons for great joy. Meet us where we are that you may grow our awareness of the reasons for gratitude and rejoicing we each have today.**

**Increase our joy. Increase our hope. In the name and power of the Christ Child we pray and serve. Amen.**

## *DECLARATION OF PARDON*

Rev. Bidgood Sveet

## *\*GLORIA PATRI*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. A – men, A – men.**

## *HYMN #53*

## *What Child Is This*

## *GREENSLEEVES*

**1** What Child is this who, laid to rest  
On Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet  
While shepherds watch are keeping?

### *Refrain*

This, this is Christ the King,  
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
Haste, haste, to bring Him laud,  
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

**2** Why lies He in such mean estate,  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading. (*Refrain*)

**3** So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,  
Come one and all, to own Him.  
The King of kings salvation brings;  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him. (*Refrain*)

**EPISTLE LESSON**      *Colossians 3:12-17 (NSRV)*      Sondra Hunt, Liturgist

**12**As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. **13**Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. **14**Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. **15**And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. **16**Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. **17**And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**      Rev. Bidgood Sveet

**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.**

**OFFERING MESSAGE**

**OFFERTORY**      Dr. Wojciech Wojtasiewicz, Piano

\***DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.**

\***HYMN #31**

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

MEDNELSSOHN

**1** Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King.  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!"  
Joyful, all ye nations rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With the angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

*Refrain*

Hark! the herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn King!"

**2** Christ, by highest heaven adored,  
Christ the everlasting Lord!  
Late in time, behold Him come,  
Offspring of the virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
Hail the incarnate Deity,  
Pleased in flesh with us to dwell,  
Jesus our Emmanuel. (*Refrain*)

**3** Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!  
Light and life to all He brings,  
Risen with healing in His wings.  
Mild He lays His glory by,  
Born that we no more may die.  
Born to raise us from the earth,  
Born to give us second birth. (*Refrain*)

**41** Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. **42** And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. **43** When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. **44** Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. **45** When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. **46** After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. **47** And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. **48** When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." **49** He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" **50** But they did not understand what he said to them. **51** Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

**52** And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

**SERMON*****"Growing Towards Tomorrow"*****ANTHEM**

*Once in Royal David's City*  
Chancel Choir  
Dr. Wojciech Wojtasiewicz, Piano

**1** It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth,  
To touch their harps of gold;  
"Peace on the earth, good will to all,  
From heaven's all gracious King":  
The world in solemn stillness lay,  
To hear the angels sing.

**2** Still through the cloven skies they come,  
With peaceful wings unfurled,  
And still their heavenly music floats  
O'er all the weary world;  
Above its sad and lowly plains  
They bend on hovering wing,  
And ever o'er its Babel sounds  
The blessed angels sing.

**4** For lo, the days are hastening on,  
By prophet bards foretold,  
When with the ever circling years  
Comes round the age of gold;  
When peace shall over all the earth  
Its ancient splendors fling,  
And the whole world send back the song  
Which now the angels sing.

## *CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*

**O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord.**

*POSTLUDE*

Dr. Wojciech Wojtasiewicz, Organ

***We welcome Reverend Elaine Bidgood Sveet to the pulpit today.***

Rev. Elaine Bidgood Sveet lives in Minot, ND. She has been an ordained minister for 19 years, serving in the United Church of Canada, Presbyterian Church (USA), and the Lutheran Church (ELCA). Her parents are Doug & June Bidgood who are active in our Chapel by the Sea congregation. Rev. Elaine is the founder of an online Christian community called ‘Chasing Abundant Life.’ She leads a daily Facebook live devotion and blog for this 700+ online community. She is a published author of prayers, hymn texts, pageants, and devotionals. Rev. Elaine support the mental health of educators and private clients through coaching, self-care and stress professional development seminar leadership. Beyond ministry, Rev. Elaine is active with her three children ages (11, 13, 15) and her husband, who is a School Administrator. You can reach Rev. Elaine at [chasingabundantlife.com](http://chasingabundantlife.com).

Please join us in Silver Hall for refreshments and more fellowship.

\*Denotes standing, if able.

## **WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Bible Study with Dr. Jim** –Join us each Tuesday morning, from 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. in the Session Room, Silver Hall. The next series “*The Bible for Dummies*” will begin January 11 through March 15.

If you are unable to attend in-person, join us on ZOOM or watch a recording at the conclusion of the session.

**Numbered Contribution Envelopes** – For those who ordered numbered envelopes, you may pick up your box in the Narthex. If you would like to order a set, please stop by or call the church office.

**Town Hall Sunday Parking** – If you park in the Town Hall lot on Sundays, you need a parking placard indicating that you are attending services at CBTS. Please ask an usher for the placard or stop by the church office during the week. Place the card on the dashboard so it is visible to the attendant to avoid receiving a ticket. *For those who already have a card, you do not need a new one.*

**Office Closures** – The church office will be closed Monday, December 27 and Monday, January 3.

**“Un” Decorating** – Join us on Tuesday, January 4, at 9:30 am. We will remove and store the beautiful Advent/Christmas decorations. No reservations required.  
Just show up!

**Worship Committee Meeting** – Joins us Monday, January 10 at 9:30 am in the Session Room of Silver Hall. All are welcome. There are many opportunities to serve your community.

**Communication Cards** – Please take a moment to fill out the communication card you receive with your bulletin. Let us know if you need prayers or a visit or leave a comment on how we are doing. On the back of the card, there is a list of opportunities for you to participate in a Sunday Worship Service. We welcome fresh faces and always need seasoned veterans.

**Floral Dedications** – Order a floral arrangement for a Sunday Worship Service to honor a life-cycle event, to mark a special anniversary, or to remember a loved one. Each arrangement is \$25. Stop by the church office to let us know how you would like to the acknowledgement worded.

**Photo Directory** – Chapel now has a **Photo Directory**, which is accessible on our website ([www.chapelbts.org](http://www.chapelbts.org)). During *Sunday Coffee Hour*, a staff or committee member will be available to take a family photo. Even if you are not planning to stay for coffee hour, please stop by long enough for us to take your picture. Each week, the photos will be upload to the website for all to view.

### **Session Members:**

Diane Means, Clerk of Session

Cassie Conrad  
Steve Fisher  
Jack Garner  
Stephen Light  
Tom Means

Laura Miller  
Emily Porter  
Jennifer Pinkard  
Ron Willow

### **Board of Deacons:**

Lois Doggett, Liaison to Session

Doretta Coon  
Linda Dundee  
Lynda Hicks

Louis Monaco  
Marylu Marshall  
Bob Taylor

### **Community Offerings**

**AA**, Room 5/6  
Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m.

**AA**, Room 5/6  
Monday 8:00 p.m.

**AL-ANON**, Room 1  
Monday, 8:00 p.m.

**AA**, Room 5/6  
Tuesday 8:00 p.m.

**God's Table Outreach**  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

**St. Vincent de Paul**  
Monday, 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

## Prayer Guide – December 26, 2021

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” --Philippians 4:6-7*

Please pray for...

- Amy and Family
- John Jackson
- Tucker Maute
- Shawn Ravenscroft
- Hal Freeburn
- Melanie Freeburn
- Kenrick Beaman
- Mary Lou Dietz
- Marylu Marshall
- Will Jacobs
- Jean Clark
- Tony, Sue, Jessica & Danielle
- Maris & Richard Edwards
- Trixie
- Richard Filiak
- Linda Banks
- Marshall Linke
- Peter Pollack
- Linda M.
- Family of Jason Seely
- Stella, Sam, Elli
- Sue Glatz & John Berkenpas
- Diane Willow
- Roger Johnson
- Mary Beth Quam
- Maryetta & Randy Rhude

- Charles R. Lee
- The Cusano Family
- Michael Kerr
- Friedel Family
- Trevor Cox, US Navy
- Sharon
- Grace
- Pat & Jim
- Karen Stephenson
- Diane Means
- Richard Rodgers
- John & Julianna Beal
- Nancy Bryant George
- Sheila Simpson
- Jessica Holmes
- Jim & Lorri Marshall
- Bill & Sandy Peters
- Bill Figgins
- Jim
- Michelle
- Coen Holmes & Family
- Vann Turner
- Bill Mouw
- Cheryl Bredin
- Harry Willard
- Marie, Jeanne, Aubrey & Stefan
- Linda Brown
- The Bob Horning Family
- Amy Bell Finiki
- Alta Nodland
- Drew Vandlen
- Jim Silvernail
- Joy Booth
- Maria Werner
- Aubrey
- Josh Stevens, USN
- Craig & Laurie Furlong
- Bob & Ginny Lemire
- Bushnell Family
- Fasick, Bennett, Rhodus & Eggar Families
- Sidok Family
- Kathy Frazee
- Linda Hinrichs
- Brad & Pam Cox
- Deb, Connie, Alan
- Greg Beller
- Craig Allen
- Lauren & Marilyn Kamm
- Jarrod Karnes
- Katie Spyke
- Haas Family
- Jay Dishnow
- R.J. & Family
- Unspoken

### Staff:

Rev. Dr. James R. Berger, Interim Pastor and Head of Staff

Dr Wojciech Wojtasiewicz, Director of Music/Organist

Denise Armstrong, Office Administrator

The Rev. Don Jafvert, Pastor Emeritus

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