

TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN

December 14, 2025

Welcome to Saco Bay Community Church

December 14, 2025 | Order of Worship

Call To Worship

Psalm 106:48

Worship through Song

Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus
The First Noel (Born Is the King)

Worship through Corporate Scripture Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

Worship through Song

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Pastoral Prayer

Worship through Song

He Who Is Mighty

Sermon

Jesus Came Not to Bring Peace, But A Sword
Matthew 10:34

Have questions about the sermon? Email: logan@sacobaycc.org

Worship through Song

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Benediction

Matthew 28:19-20

Welcome Visitors: Please see our Welcome Card in the pocket on the back of each pew chair. You may fill that out, drop it in the offering plate on your way out and let us know you are joining us today. Welcome to SBCC!

Got Kids?:

SBCC has a nursery for infants through age 3 and Children's Church for 4–7-year-olds. Kids going to Children's Church will be dismissed just before the sermon. Both ministries are located on the lower level in rooms adjacent to Fellowship Hall. If you have 8-year-olds and older, there are sermon note sheets in the back of the sanctuary.

On the SBCC Calendar:

SUNDAY, DEC 21: ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON - 11:45 AM

We're looking forward to our Annual SBCC Christmas Luncheon, a cherished tradition where we gather around the table to celebrate the season together.

This year, the church will be providing beverages and the main proteins, including spiral ham and beef tenderloin with horseradish mustard sauce.

To round out the meal, we invite you to bring a favorite holiday vegetable dish or dessert to share. Whether it's a classic you make every year or a new seasonal favorite, your contribution helps make this meal a joyful and abundant celebration. Please sign up using this QR code so we can ensure a good variety of dishes.



And... something new...in the spirit of Christ's love for our neighbors, we are also inviting everyone to bring a small gift for our local homeless shelter, **Seeds of Hope** in Biddeford. We are collecting new, unwrapped, <u>adult-sized</u> warm items, such as:

- Athletic or wool socks
- Mittens

- Hats
- Gloves

These simple gifts help meet very real needs during the cold winter months.

Thank you for sharing both your tables and your generosity as we celebrate the coming of Christ together.

FMI, please contact Cheryl Sullivan @ 207.205.1437.

WEDNESDAY, DEC 24: CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE (5 PM)

Join us this Christmas Eve as we gather in reverent worship to celebrate the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ—God With Us. Through the reading of God's Word, congregational singing, prayer, and a brief meditation, we will remember the gospel truth that the eternal Son took on flesh to redeem His people and to bring light into the darkness of our world. This simple candlelight service invites us to rest in the hope and assurance that Christ came to save, to reconcile us to God, and to establish His kingdom that will not fade.

We will conclude by singing "Silent Night" together as the sanctuary is lit by the glow of candles.

All are welcome to join us in worship on this evening.

If you'd like to **GIVE ONLINE** in support of the ministry of Saco Bay Community Church, you're welcome to use the QR code provided. Thank you for your generosity and partnership in advancing God's work through our church.





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Sermon Outline December 14, 2025

Jesus Came Not to Bring Peace, But a Sword

Matthew 10:34

Main Point of the Sermon:

Jesus' Rescue of Sinners Cuts Across and Divides Humanity Like a Sword.