

Bay City Wesleyan Church -- Bay City, Michigan
December 4, 2022

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Sunday Morning Worship Celebration 12-04-2022
For a child will be born for us,
a son will be given to us,
and the government will be on His shoulders.
He will be named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6 HCSB)
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This year December 25th lands on Sunday. That won't happen again until 2033. To celebrate Christmas, we'll read the record of Jesus's birth and sing carols on Saturday, CHRISTMAS EVE at 4 pm. We'll look at Mary's story as the mother of Jesus. Then we will round out our celebration by observing Communion together.

This online or on-site Christmas Eve worship celebration will replace our worship celebration on Sunday morning (December 25th).

Series: Behind Every Great Man - Even Jesus
Series Big Idea: Five women are mentioned or named in Jesus's genealogy recorded by Matthew. Each one has a unique story and made a notable contribution to his family tree. Let's discover how our stories and their stories connect as we prepare for Jesus's coming.

Text: Matthew 1:1, 6-5 and Joshua 2:1-24; 6:22-25
Title: Choosing Sides

Matthew 1:1 NIV
1 This is the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah the son of David, the son of Abraham:
<https://matthew.bible/matthew-1-1>

Joshua 2:9-14 NLT

9 "I know the Lord has given you this land," she told them. "We are all afraid of you. Everyone in the land is living in terror. 10 For we have heard how the Lord made a dry path for you through the Red Sea when you left Egypt. And we know what you did to Sihon and Og, the two Amorite kings east of the Jordan River, whose people you completely destroyed. 11 No wonder our hearts have melted in fear! No one has the courage to fight after hearing such things. For the Lord your God is the supreme God of the heavens above and the earth below. 12 "Now swear to me by the Lord that you will be kind to me and my family since I have helped you. Give me some guarantee that 13 when Jericho is conquered, you will let me live, along with my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all their families." 14 "We offer our own lives as a guarantee for your safety," the men agreed. "If you don't betray us, we will keep our promise and be kind to you when the Lord gives us the land."

<https://bible.com/bible/116/jos.2.9-14.NLT>

Sermon in a Sentence: Faith vanquishes fear.