

BROADCASTER



news and announcements from broadmoor presbyterian church in daly city, ca

“Walking together, experiencing and sharing God’s love.”

December 2021

From the Pastor

Dear Broadmoor Community,

Over the last two months, I spent time discerning God's call on me and my family's life. And, with a heavy heart, I want to inform you that I will not be accepting the call to serve as your ordained pastor.

As I think back over the last two years, I am overwhelmed with all the memories we shared. You welcomed me into your church even though I was still training while working part-time as a clown. Three months later we were ordered to stay inside while a global pandemic devastated lives and economies. I remember the first Sunday Zoom worship service, it was Easter morning 2020. Many of us did not know about Zoom. Now we use Zoom daily to stay connected.

I think about the many organizations we supported. Although we couldn't help people in person, we began to raise money and lots of it to help those in our communities. We have shared lots of laughter and stories playing Bingo. We grieved together and relied on one another through the challenging times.

I understand the timing of this letter is difficult. Thankfully, Session has agreed to allow me to return to my role as pastor after my paternity leave. Upon my return I will host a town hall meeting following worship on January 2, 2022, to answer questions. And then over the remaining weeks, I will begin saying goodbye and organizing so the transition can be as smooth as possible for the wonderful pastor God is calling to this church. Finally, I would provide a farewell sermon on January 23, 2022.

Thank you for your continued support and kindness. I have felt cared for and learned a great deal from you all. I am excited about what is in store for Broadmoor as you continue to reach out your tendrils of compassion. As the quote goes, "Mission is Broadmoor's middle name." Broadmoor Presbyterian Church is God's hands and feet in a world that so desperately needs to feel loved. The Spirit of God is with Broadmoor. It dances alongside you, sings out with you in worship, and rests beside you as night falls.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Andrew Quick".

Andrew Quick

Advent Reflections

First Sunday of Advent, November 28

HOPE - "The Magi"

Read: Matthew 2:16

These wealthy Wise Men followed a star and came from a very long distance. Scholars think they came from the area of ancient Babylon or present day Iran. They were learned men and advisors to kings. They were educated and probably were familiar with the Jewish scriptures and had read about the expected coming of their Messiah. We are not sure how many Magi came, possibly more than three. They had to travel thousands of miles through desert areas and, usually, people traveled in large caravan groups. They came with **HOPE** that they would find what they were looking for.

- Do we feel the **HOPE** that comes with knowing the Messiah has come?
- Do we go out of our way to share this **HOPE** and promise with others? How?
- What kinds of things or feelings do we **HOPE** for at Christman?

Make a start to hang on your tree or in your window to symbolize **HOPE**.

Hymns from the Glory to God hymnal:

We Three Kings #151

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus # 82

Second Sunday of Advent, December 5

PEACE - "The Shepherds"

Read: Luke 2:8-12

The traditional "Shepherds' Field," where the angels appeared to the shepherds, is about three-quarters of a mile east of Bethlehem. Luke is the only gospel where we read about the shepherds. Being a shepherd was a lonely life. They guarded the sheep and slept under the stars. It was a **PEACEful** life, for the most part. David had been a shepherd and had found time to ponder and later compose some of the Psalms we can read today. The shepherd's **PEACE** was interrupted, that night, with the coming of the angels. What a magnificent spectacle that must have been! They, like the Magi, and as indicated by the scripture reading, may have known about a coming Messiah. They were anxious to see this new King.

- Do we feel **PEACE** during this busy holiday season? Do we take time for it?
- Have we ever experienced the **PEACE** and beauty found while looking up at the clear night sky?
- Do we feel God's **PEACE** in our daily lives? What can bring us to God's **PEACE**?

Write a prayer asking God to bless us with His **PEACE** during this busy season and into the year ahead.

Hymns from the Glory to God hymnal:

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks #118

Oh Come, O Come Emmanuel #88

Third Sunday of Advent, December 12

JOY - "The Angels"

Read: Luke 2:13-14

Angels were God's special messengers and are found in many places in the Bible. An angel spoke to Abraham (Gen. 22:11-18) and his son Isaac was saved. The angel Gabriel came to Zechariah, foretelling the **JOY**ous birth of his son, John (John the Baptist) (Luke 1:11-13). We read that the angel Gabriel came to Mary, too, and told her she would give birth to the Messiah (Luke 1:26-32). At the end of Jesus' earthly life, angels appeared at the tomb and spoke to the two Mary's (Matt. 28:1-7) (Luke 24:1-8). They heralded the news that Jesus had arisen! What wonderful **JOY** they must have felt! We read that these messengers announced Jesus' birth to the shepherd with great **JOY**. We, too, can be filled with **JOY** as we realize God's presence in our lives through His son, Jesus Christ.

- Do you feel the **JOY** that is here at Christmas? What stops you from feeling this **JOY** and happiness?
- Are there people who bring **JOY** to you at Christmas and throughout the year?
- What do these people do that makes them appear to be full of **JOY**?

Sing one of the **JOY**ful songs listed below. Bring **JOY** to someone by sharing an unexpected smile, a phone call or a card.

Hymns from the Glory to God hymnal:

Angels We Have Heard on High #113
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing #119

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 19

LOVE - "The Nativity - Birth of Jesus"

Read: Luke 2:1-7, 15-20 & Matthew 2:10-12

Jesus was born in the small town of Bethlehem. His parents had to travel on foot and by donkey from Nazareth. They traveled over 75 miles all the way down to their home town of Bethlehem to be counted in the census...what a long trip. When they arrived, there was no room in the inn. So, our Lord was born in a stable, in a manger. The shepherds left their sheep and came, and the Magi, who had traveled thousands of miles following a star, also came. They came to see and worship this new King. People from different walks of life bowed down in awe and reverence. The Magi brought precious gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh. The shepherds came humble and eager to show their **LOVE**. God gave us his great gift of **LOVE**...His son, Jesus. We celebrate this gift of **LOVE** at Christmas.

- How do you think the Magi and shepherds felt when they found Jesus in a stable and resting in a manger?
- How can we make the "inn," that is our hearts, open to Christ? Do we sometimes say: "There is no room in the 'inn'?"
- What special gifts can we give to God to show our **LOVE**? Must it be something material? What else can it be?

Make a crown and decorate it with hearts. Jesus is the King of Kings and His **LOVE** is for all hearts.

Hymns from the Glory to God hymnal:

Away In A Manger #115
Silent Night #122

May the



of Christmas be with you!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Worship 10 am Sanctuary or Zoom	 Narcissus: Innocence & Purity	1 Meditation Group 10am Choir 7pm	2	3	4
5 Guest Rev Karen Thistlethwaite Advent * Peace Communion Sunday Officer Ordination & Installation Worship Team <u>11 am</u>	6	7 PW Circles Pot Luck 12n TH PW Coord Team 1:30pm TH <u>MATTHEW CALDERON BD</u>	8 Meditation Group 10am Choir 7pm 	9	10 <u>RIYAD ASFOOR BD</u>	11  Poinsettia: Success & Celebration
12 Guest Cassie Carroll Advent * Joy B&G 11am <u>JONATHAN HADDOX BD</u>	13 All Congregation Christmas Party 7pm	14 Blessings for All December Birthdays 	15 Meditation Group 10am Choir 7pm	16 Session 7pm	17 <u>ELIEZER PAJARIT BD</u>	18 PW Ruth Circle 10 am CR
19 Guest Cassie Carroll Advent * Love Faith Formation 11am 	20 <u>CAROL JORDAN BD</u>	21 PW Naomi Circle 11am CR  Winter Begins	22 Meditation Group 10am	23  	24  Church Office Closed	25 Christmas Day 
26 Session-lead Worship Service Mission Team 11am <u>BETTY FONG BD</u>	27	28	29	30 NEW YEAR'S EVE <u>BILL HOLDEN BD</u>	 Holly: Happiness & Optimism	CR Calvin Room GR Geneva Room TH Tweedie Hall WR Westminster Rm

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