

# BROADCASTER

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

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

## DECEMBER 2023

### *From the Pastor*

Many years ago during Advent, while living in Albuquerque, NM, I spotted a male quail sitting on top of the huge Cholla cactus in our front yard. His head was cocked. He sat absolutely still, waiting, listening.

For me this Quail is a reminder of what the Season of Advent is about. We too are called to pay attention. To listen so that we might not miss the coming of the Christ Child into our midst, into our lives, and into the life of this world.

This has been a difficult year for many people who have known loss and struggle in their lives. We are still living in the aftermath of covid in our church, where life does not look or feel like it once did.

Our country is divided politically and socially in ways we never could have imagined. People are living in the midst of war and violence throughout the world. We wonder how or when life may ever return to some kind of “normal.”

If ever we needed the interruption of the birth of the Christ Child into our midst, it is now.

The pastor and author Jan Richardson speaks of Advent, as something on the horizon the likes of

which we have never seen before. She says, “It is not possible to keep it from coming, because it will. What is possible is to not see it, to miss it, to turn just as it brushes past you.”

She calls us to stay. Sit. Linger. Tarry. Ponder. Wait. Behold. Wonder. For, “there will be time enough for running. For rushing. For worrying. For pushing.”

“But for now, stay. Wait.

Something is on the horizon”

This is our hope. This is the promise.

*Kathryn*



## Session

Session was scheduled to meet virtually in a Regular (Stated) Meeting at 7:00 pm. on Thursday, November 9, 2023, with the Rev. Kathryn Pyke as moderator. However, lacking the number of elders to constitute a quorum, the meeting had to be cancelled.

We have been informed that the current office computer has been repaired and a replacement is no longer under consideration.

The next Regular (Stated) Meeting of Session is Thursday, December 14, 2023.

If you have any questions concerning these proceedings, please contact an Elder.

~ Respectfully submitted, Marian Hardin, Clerk of Session



## Week One



*Creator of the stars of night,  
Your people's everlasting light,  
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,  
We pray you hear us when we call.*

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, and set lights in the sky – sun and moon and stars. By these stars, our ancestors charted their journeys. By these stars, they knew God was with them.

Today we light one candle to bring the fire of the stars down from heaven to earth, to nestle among the greens.

We name this candle **Hope**.



Light  
One  
Candle

We too are on a journey, and we do not always know the way. But we chart our path by the star of hope. Even when better days seem very far away and the weight of the world seems to crush your promises, we set our face steadily towards the light.

Listen now to the prayer of an ancient poet:  
 “For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him. God alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God. Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us” (Psalm 67:5-8).

Lord Jesus, as we search for signs of hope this week, help us to become the signs of hope that others are searching for. As these candles are but a glimpse of the light of the heavens, help us to be a glimpse of heaven’s hope. Amen.

## Week Two



*Creator of the stars of night,  
 Your people's everlasting light,  
 O Christ, Redeemer of us all,  
 We pray you hear us when we call.*

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, and set lights in the sky – sun and moon and stars. By these stars, our ancestors charted their journeys. By these stars, they knew God was with them.

Today we light two candles to bring the fire of the stars down from heaven to earth, to nestle among the greens.

We name this candle **Hope**.

We name this candle **Peace**.



Light  
 Two  
 Candles

We too are on a journey, and we do not always know the way. But we chart our path by the star of peace. Even when violence and fear are raging and peace seems like a pipedream, we set our face steadily towards the light.

Listen now to the plea of the apostle Paul:  
 “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, 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).

Lord Jesus, as we search for signs of peace this week, help us to become the signs of peace that others are searching for. As these candles are but a glimpse of the light of the heavens, help us to be a glimpse of heaven's peace. Amen.

### Week Three



*Creator of the stars of night,  
Your people's everlasting light,  
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,  
We pray you hear us when we call.*

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, and set lights in the sky – sun and moon and stars. By these stars, our ancestors charted their journeys. By these stars, they knew God was with them.

Today we light three candles to bring the fire of the stars down from heaven to earth, to nestle among the greens.

We name this candle **Hope**.

We name this candle **Peace**.

We name this candle **Joy**.



Light  
Three  
Candles

We too are on a journey, and we do not always know the way. But we chart our path by the star of joy. Even when despair is all around us and apathy seems the order of the day, we set our face steadily towards the light.

Listen now to the prophecy of Isaiah:

“The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion –to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit” (Isaiah 61:1-3).

Lord Jesus, as we search for signs of joy this week, help us to become the signs of joy that others are searching for. As these candles are but a glimpse of the light of the heavens, help us to be a glimpse of heaven's joy. Amen.

## Week Four



*Creator of the stars of night,  
Your people's everlasting light,  
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,  
We pray you hear us when we call.*

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, and set lights in the sky – sun and moon and stars. By these stars, our ancestors charted their journeys. By these stars, they knew God was with them.

Today we light four candles to bring the fire of the stars down from heaven to earth, to nestle among the greens.

We name this candle **Hope**.

We name this candle **Peace**.

We name this candle **Joy**.

We name this candle **Love**.



Light  
Four  
Candles

We too are on a journey, and we do not always know the way. But we chart our path by the star of love. Even when sharp words rattle in our ears, and our hearts sit cold and numb, we set our face steadily towards the light.

Listen now to the wisdom of the early Christians:

“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us, and his love is perfected in us” (1 John 4:7-12).

Lord Jesus, as we search for signs of love this week, help us to become the signs of love that others are searching for. As these candles are but a glimpse of the light of the heavens, help us to be a glimpse of heaven’s love. Amen.

## Christmas Eve



*Creator of the stars of night,  
Your people's everlasting light,  
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,  
We pray you hear us when we call.*

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, and set lights in the sky – sun and moon and stars. By these stars, our ancestors charted their journeys. By these stars, they knew God was with them. In the beginning, too, was the Word. And the Word, too, has come down from heaven to earth. By the Word made flesh, Christ our Savior, we know that God is with us.

Tonight we light five candles to bring the fire of the stars down from heaven to earth, to nestle among the greens.

We name this candle **Hope**.  
We name this candle **Peace**.  
We name this candle **Joy**.  
We name this candle **Love**.  
We name this candle **Christ**.



Light  
Four  
Candles

Light the  
Christ  
Candle

Our lives are a journey, and we do not always know the way. But we chart our path by the star of Christ. Even when faith burns low and its promises seem too good to be true, we set our face steadily towards the light.

Listen to ancient words come true anew this night:

“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:2, 6).

Lord Jesus, as we search for signs of Christ’s presence this week, help us to become the signs of Christ’s presence that others are searching for. As these candles are but a glimpse of the light of the heavens, help us to be a glimpse of heaven on earth. Help us to shine like stars in the world. Amen.

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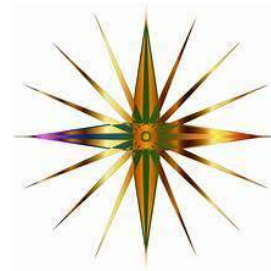
“Creator of the Stars of Night”

#84 Glory to God Hymnal

Creator of the stars of night,  
Your people’s everlasting light.  
O Christ, redeemer of us all,  
We pray you, hear us when we call.

When this old world drew on toward night,  
You came; but not in splendor bright,  
Not as a monarch, but the child  
Of Mary, blameless mother mild.

At your great name, O Jesus,  
Now all knees must bend, all  
Hearts must bow: all things on earth with  
One accord from ago to age eternally. Amen.



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## **BROADMOOR MEMORIAL FUND**

### **Contributions Form**

Make a contribution to Broadmoor Presbyterian Church in memory of or in honor of a person or event. Send contributions to the church office or place in the offering plate during worship.

#### **Please complete the following**

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Contributed by**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Address: \_\_\_\_\_

#### ***Send acknowledgement to***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Blessings of gratitude,  
Broadmoor Presbyterian Church



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website: [broadmoorpres.org](http://broadmoorpres.org)

Church Calendars: <http://bit.ly/BPCOfficeCal>

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>Worship 10 am Zoom/Sanctuary</p> <p>Contact the church office for the Zoom link</p>	<p>CR Calvin Rm GR Geneva Rm WR Westminster TH Tweedie Hall</p>		<p>Today I will make time for God, who always makes time for me.</p>	<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>Men's Breakfast 8am Pacifica</p> <p>Deck the Sanctuary 10am</p>
<p>3 Advent 1 HOPE</p> <p>Communion</p> <p>Coffee Hour &amp; Book Swap 11am</p> <p>Worship Team 11:30am</p>	<p>4</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>Blessings for All December Birthdays</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>Meditation Group 10am Zoom</p>  <p>Choir 7pm Zoom</p>	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Advent 2 PEACE</p> <p>Deacons 11:30 am</p> <p>RIYAD ASFOOR BD</p>	<p>11</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>JONATHAN HADDOX BD</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Meditation Group 10am Zoom</p> <p>Choir 7pm Zoom</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> 	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Advent 3 JOY</p> <p>Faith Formation 11:30 am</p> <p>ELIZER PAJARIT BD</p>	<p>18</p> 	<p>19</p> <p>PW Abigail &amp; Zipporah Circles 10:30 am CR</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Meditation Group 10am Zoom</p> <p>CAROL JORDAN BD</p>	<p>21</p>  <p>Session 7 pm Zoom</p>	<p>22</p> 	<p>23</p>
<p>24 Advent 4 LOVE</p> <p>Mission Ministry 11:30 am</p> <p>Xmas Eve Svc 5:00 pm</p> <p>31</p> 	<p>25</p>  <p>O HOLY NIGHT</p>	<p>26</p>  <p>BETTY FONG BD</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Meditation Group 10am Zoom</p>	<p>28</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>BILL HOLDEN BD</p>

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