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

"Walking together, experiencing and sharing God's love."

# **MARCH 2023**

#### From the Pastor

As the theologian Walter Bruggemann says, "We are on the road again." We are on the road again in the Season of Lent. Lent is not a popular season in our culture. Who wants to talk about sacrifice and contemplation, and giving up things? Who needs Lent?

I need Lent! I need some pauses in my life. I yearn for more quiet time with God. I need time to refocus on what is important in life. I need to let go of thoughts and worries about the future. I need to let go of the normal stresses that go with living today. I need to let go for just a moment the cacophony of voices calling out to me for attention; the daily news – the state of the environment – worry over the current direction of our country... I need more time with my Creator.

Lent is 40 days, and while that might not seem like enough time to get my soul back on track, it is a beginning, and I will happily take it. These 40 days are a way to reorient myself toward God.

I need Lent to remind me that I am a beloved Child of God. I need Lent to remind me that God promises to be with me always.

What about you? Do you need Lent? Do you need to step back a bit and refocus on God and God's love for you?

If the answer to these questions is "Yes," then come, join me on the road again this Season of Lent. We will begin in the desert, where Jesus finds strength and courage for the road ahead of him. There we will find moments of silence and time to rejuvenate our souls, There we will find God.

Kathryn



#### Session

Session met virtually in a Regular (Stated) meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2023, with the Rev. Kathryn Pyke as Moderator. A quorum was present.

Although no motions required action, all Ministry Teams are fully engaged in what promises to be a very productive year.

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

~ Respectfully submitted, Marian Hardin, Clerk of Session

## **Building & Grounds**

Thank you Dennis Shreve for repairing the countertop in the first floor bride's restroom. Repairs will begin in the daycare center yard. Plans are underway for new fencing and a new shed. Funds were granted to Peninsula Family Services for daycare upgrades, thank you!

~ Respectfully submitted, Eric John Gravem, Chair

#### Faith Formation

At our last meeting on February 19, we continued discussion on reaching out to local churches to find out more about their youth programs, and other ideas for youth involvement. We also discussed our next Book Club project. Watch for bulletin

announcements. Our next meeting is March 19th.

~ Respectfully submitted, Geraldine Thompson

#### Finance

Month	Income	Expense	Surplus/Deficit
January	\$16,145.31	\$15,704.30	+\$441.01

Year-to-date deficit/surplus: +\$441.01

All items are in line with the 2023 budget except for the following:

- PG&E payment has doubled
- Internet access has been paid through 2024

Our next meeting will be at 5:30 pm on Tuesday, March 7.

Members have already received their 2023 offering envelope boxes. In that box is a blue envelope for the annual Per Capita. This year's per member per capita is \$39.00.

#### WHAT IS PER CAPITA

The Presbyterian Church(U.S.A.) is a connectional church. With the per capita contributions, churches throughout the PCUSA support the governance work of the presbyteries, synods, and the General Assembly. Per capita contributions support ministries such as the work of:

- Presbytery's Committee on Ministry and Committee on Preparation of Ministry
- Special meetings of the governing bodies of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly

#### **2023 PER CAPITA**

How is per capita calculated for each church's share? The Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly each determines their per capita related budget. Then each divides its respective budget by the total number of members, which provides the per capita rate. It benefits congregations and the wider Church to accurately report membership annually. Each congregation's share of per capita is calculated with the membership figures reported by the Session and is recorded in the most recent General Assembly minutes. This means the rate for 2023 is based on the total number of active members reported at the end of 2021. Each church is encouraged to give its full requested share of per capita, regardless of how it collects the funds.

# PER CAPITA: A CONTRIBUTION, NOT A TAX

Per Capita is not a tax on members; it's a benevolence that links congregations with Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly to explore and sustain ministry and mission locally, nationally and globally.

#### WHAT DOES PER CAPITA DO

- Helps churches with transitions, i.e., staffing, financial, natural disasters
- Provides resources for programing and planning

- Cares for pastoral leaders and their families
- Helps prepare people for service as pastoral leaders, ministers and elders
- Offers grants for special projects or needs, i.e., food insecurity, building upgrades

# CONGREGATIONS PAY THE PRESBYTERY, WHO PAYS THE SYNOD AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY?

The Presbytery retains its share and pays the whole per capita amount owed to both the Synod and the General Assembly. The Presbytery pays this entire reapportionment, whether or not the per capita funds from each congregation are received. When members cannot or do not pay the annual per capita, the church still pays the presbytery; these funds could be used to enhance our own mission ministries.

~ Respectively submitted, Annette Shreve, Finance Elder

## Mission Ministry

The team met on February 26th. We are excited to research ways to participate in hands-on Mission, beginning with St. Bruno Hospitality House. We are planning a Sock-it-to-Me Sunday for the end of April, watch for announcements in the weekly bulletin.

~ Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Cobb, Chair

## Worship Ministry

A big thank you to Gladys Smith for putting together ashes for Ash Wednesday Service. And to the Fellowship team for distributing them to the congregation.

Thanks to Janet Haddox's craftiness for creating and making our new Lenten parament, it's beautiful!



1st Sunday in Lent celebrating "first fruits"

All "first fruits" on the table were delivered to the St. Bruno Hospitality House, thanks to Rich Murray and all who contributed.

~ Respectfully submitted, Perla Ibarrientos

#### Choir

The Choir continues to rehearse on Zoom, learning new music and praising God. Join us Wednesday nights at 7 PM!

~ Respectfully submitted, Janet Haddox, Music Director

#### Personnel Ministry

The Personnel team will meet on the 5th Sunday of the month: April, June, October, December. The first meeting will be April 30, following worship.

~ Respectfully submitted, Eunice Brabec, Chair

# Presbyterian Women

The PW coordinating team met on February 13 in the Calvin Room. The budget for 2023 was passed. Corrections were made to the contents of our directory for the 2023 edition. We began making plans for a summer outing to be held possibly in July. The Second Mile giving for PW is the Fellowship of the Least Coin and the Birthday Offering. Least Coin is of course, the "penny", we contributed \$62.00 in 2022. The Birthday Offering came from the southern Presbyterian Church in the reunification many years ago. About \$300 was contributed in 2022. As Moderator I presented a Minute For Mission concerning these two offerings on February 26th.

~ Eunice Brabec, Moderator

#### Church Member Update

A Note from Teresa Vance, daughter of Betty Fong

Dear Broadmoor Presbyterian Church, Thank you so much for remembering my mom and sending her birthday cards (12/26/22). She continues to enjoy living at Atria and is doing well at 97!!! One photo is of me and mom out at a Chinese restaurant waiting for her favorite dinner and the other is Christmas at my house with my sister, Eloise, her daughter Jenny and Jenny's daughter, Liby - Four Generations!

On Betty's behalf with gratitude and love!





## **Inspiration**

Prayer responding to the Turkey-Syria Earthquake

God of our refuge, You are present in all our troubles, present through all the changes across the whole of space, place and time. As you are with us, be also with your children in Turkey and Syria as the earth below them has violently shaken, bringing buildings crumbling to the ground amongst the strife of civil war and the freezing weather, making emergency responses more difficult. Bless the thousands of families mourning the loss of their beloved, that they may find comfort in the community of love surrounding them. Bless the aid and rescue workers searching through debris and rubble tirelessly, that their hands may be strong and their feet swift in finding and reuniting your children with each other. Bless the unknown number of your children stuck or lost amid the chaos of disaster, that their hope to be found may be met with the great depths of your compassion. Bless the thousands to millions more indefinitely displaced from their homes and ways of life that their basic needs of food, water, shelter and medical care may be fulfilled both immediately and unendingly. May all of your heavenly and earthly community weep with all who are weeping, holding each of those affected near in our hearts, until the whole of creation knows your sacred solidarity. Amen.

> ~ Brendan McLean, associate pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Tyler, Texas

#### Catawba Presbytery: History and Legacy

From just after the Civil War until the Presbyterian Church reunion, there was an important organization that served African American Presbyterians in the PC(USA): Catawba Presbytery. This presbytery was formed by three white pastors who did not like the way that formerly enslaved persons were overlooked and unserved by the Southern Presbyterian church. Their work formed a presbytery, and much more, including educational institutions. Its history is deeply important to the Presbyterian Church – and one that you need to know. Take some time to watch it today. This video is a partnership between the Presbytery of Charlotte and the Presbyterian Foundation.

Watch the Video or log on to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a6Ub\_2yH hal

#### Broadmoor Memorial Fund

Honor or memorialize loved ones - print this form and submit it to the office.

http://bit.ly/BPCMemorialFundForm

# **Broadmoor Church Officers**

	Elders	Deacons		
Class of 2023	Bonnie Cobb Eric John Gravem	Jean Aro Mariah Gravem Rich Murray		
Class of 2024	Adelina Sana Geraldine Thompson	Janice Asfoor Gregg Hardin		
Class of 2025	Eunice Brabec Martha Espinosa Perla Ibarrientos	Ruth Cruz Ray Haddox		

Clerk of Session: Marian Hardin

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website: broadm		Church Calendars:	http://bit.ly/BPCOffi		nttp://bit.ly/BPCFacilit	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>EPS</b>	Worship 10 am Zoom/Sanctuary  Contact the church office for the Zoom link	Women's History Month  National Reading Month  Irish American Heritage Month	1  Meditation Group 10 am Zoom Choir	2	3 World Day of Prayer	4 Men's Breakfast 8 am, Pacifica
		American Red Cross Month	7 pm Zoom	LAITH CUYJET BD		ANNETTE SHREVE BD
5 2nd Sunday in Lent  PW Gifts of Women Celebration Coffee Hour  Worship Team 11:30 am	JUAN CARLOS SANTAMARIA BD Mar 5  MARTHA ESPINOSA BD	Finance Ministry 5:30 pm Zoom	8 Meditation Group 10 am Zoom Choir 7 pm Zoom International Women's Day	9	National Pi Day	11
Daylight Saving Time Begins  3rd Sunday in Lent  Deacons 1130 am	Elders/Deacons Brainstorming 6 pm Zoom  GREGG HARDIN BD	Blessings for All March Birthdays  Happy Birthday	Meditation Group 10 am Zoom Choir 7 pm Zoom	Session 7 pm Zoom	PATRICK'S DAY	PW Zipporah Circle 10 am CR
4th Sunday in Lent  Guest Rev. Dr. Arlene Gordon (Zoom)  Faith Formation 1130 am	20 Spring Begins  Mr. Roger's Day	PW Abigail Circle 11 am CR	Meditation Group 10 am Zoom Choir 7 pm Zoom Ramadan Begins	23	Don't be afraid of the space between your dreams and reality. If you dream it you can make it so. ~ Belva Davis	25
26  5th Sunday in Lent  Mission Ministry 11:30 am	MADISON FISHTROM BD	28	29 Meditation 10 am Zoom Choir 7 pm Zoom  BONNIE COBB BD  DORCAS SORIANO BD	30	MARIAN HARDIN BD  ALYSSA SHREVE BD	Flower/Month: Daffodil  New Beginnings Inspiration



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