

# BROADCASTER

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

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

## NOVEMBER 2023

### *From the Pastor*

During November, Richard and I will be taking a trip down the coast to a favorite place of ours. We have been going there for almost 20 years. Since COVID, we have not made the trip. I am looking forward to some time away with my husband. It is important that all of us find time to refresh our bodies and minds. We can do this whether or not we leave home. A walk, 20 minutes of meditation, a cup of coffee with a friend, all of these are ways to reconnect with God and ourselves.

I am looking forward to sitting on our favorite bench listening to the waves, smelling the salty air, and yes, eating great Mexican food at our favorite restaurant.

Before I go, we will celebrate All Saints Day on November 5th. If you are in worship, we will have candles on the table for you to light in memory and honor of saints in your life. If you join us on Zoom, make sure you have your candle ready to do the same.

Thanksgiving is also right around the corner. May God bless you as you celebrate with your family and friends.

Remember, Peter Stiehler, the Director of St. Bruno Hospitality House will be with us on November 19th. On that Sunday, we will dedicate the gifts we have been collecting for the shelter. If you have questions about the needs of the Shelter, please let the office know.

November is a time for us to remember loved ones who have gone on, and it is a time to give thanks to God for the life we are given. This year, I am especially mindful of those living in the midst of war and violence. May peace be our call this Season - peace for our world and peace for those who are struggling in our midst.

*Kathryn*



World Communion Sunday, 2023  
Sharing our Peace

## Session

Session met virtually in a Regular (Stated) Meeting of Session at 7:00 pm. on Thursday, October 19, 2023, with the Rev. Kathryn Pyke as moderator. A quorum was present.

The Administrative Assistant requested replacement of the current faulty office computer. To cover the cost it was proposed to utilize the memorial fund for this purchase. Following discussion, the motion was seconded and unanimously approved to authorize the Administrative Assistant to purchase a desktop computer for no more than \$7,500.00.

The next Regular (Stated) Meeting of Session is Thursday, November 9, 2023.

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

~ Respectfully submitted, Marian Hardin, Clerk of Session

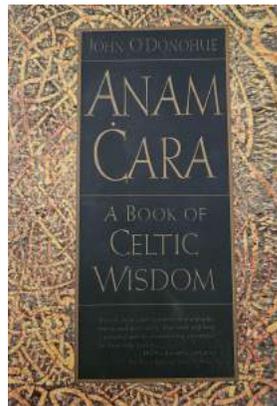
## Faith Formation

On October 15th, Celebrating Pastor Appreciation Month, we presented Rev. Kathryn with a basket of goodies, a book of Celtic wisdom, and gift cards for her enjoyment. What a wonderful surprise!

We were delighted and inspired with faith stories from students Francesca Gravem and Terrell Gray on their recent experiences at summer camp and visiting colleges. Our high school seniors are ready for college!

Mark your calendars! The next Book Swap will be held on Sunday, December 3 during coffee hour. If you have books to share, bring them to the church office.

~ Respectfully submitted, Geraldine Thompson



Dear Broadmoor church family,

Thank you and the Faith Formation team for the gift basket you presented to me for Pastor Appreciation. I am blessed to be a part of this loving church community.

*Kathryn*

## Finance

Month	Income	Expense	Surplus/Deficit
September	\$10,312.31	\$19,124.93	-\$10,117.43

Year-to-date surplus/deficit: -\$0.06

All items are in line with the 2023 budget with the exception of:

- Clark Pest Control: monthly fee beginning September 2023
- Landscaper invoice approved by Session

~ Respectively submitted, Finance Team

## *Mission Ministry*

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) stands firm in its support of Palestinians and their right to live free in their land, without occupation, aggression, and bloodshed. We support and protect Israel's right to exist as a free and sovereign nation. In the Confession of 1967, the church states:

9.45 b: The church, in its own life, is called to practice the forgiveness of enemies and to commend to the nations as practical politics the search for cooperation and peace.

9.46 c: The reconciliation of humankind through Jesus Christ makes it plain that enslaving poverty in a world of abundance is an intolerable violation of God's good creation.

If you are able to support crisis response and recovery efforts in the Middle East, please donate to account DR000081.

### PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

#### Special Offerings

#### Peacemaking and Reconciliation

Peace & Global Witness Special Offerings collection amount totaled \$447.00. Of that total, \$111.75 or 25% will remain with BPC to share with Puente de la Costa Sur for all the good they do for the coastal community. Thank you to all participants for sharing your love in the name of peace.

~ Respectfully submitted, Mission Team

## *Worship Ministry*

We did not officially meet in October but we met in spirit as we celebrated World Communion Sunday. Many breads from around the world were blessed and shared.



We thank the Rev. Benjamin Lins for preaching for us on October 22, 2023.

~ Respectfully submitted, Perla Ibarrientos

## *Men's Breakfast*

We get together just because, every first Saturday of the Month at 8:00 am, Sharp Park Golf Club in Pacifica.



Pictured counterclockwise: Mike Allgire, Gerry Manis, Sr., Peter O'Driscoll, Dennis Schreve, Richard Murray.

## *Stewardship Committee*

What is That in Your Hand?

Today when I am old, I look at my hand, wrinkled, arthritic, trembling, empty. But God says, "What is that in your hand?" I hold it out and look again, and lo, it is so filled with His gift that I cup my two hands together, and still they overflow with His love for me to share with others.

~ Dorothy A. Stickell

## A Prayer based on Proverbs 11:25

Lord, Help me to be a blessing to others, just as You have blessed me. I know that when I am generous, I am not only blessing others, but I am also blessing myself. You have promised to prosper and enrich those who are generous. You have also promised to water those who water others. Help me to trust Your promises even

when it is difficult. Help me to remember that I am not giving to others out of my own resources, but out of Your abundance. Amen.

## *75th Anniversary Committee*

The next meeting will be held on Friday, December 8th at 1 pm in the Calvin Room.

Our first meeting was very productive in planning . . . Now the work begins! The theme is CELEBRATE THE JOURNEY. Join in the planning of this milestone celebration!

## *From the Presbytery of San Francisco*

Presbyterian Church (USA)  
Office of Public Witness  
Statement of Lament for Israel and  
Palestine

Our televisions and social feeds are full of news from Israel-Palestine and the recent declaration of war. To people of many faiths this land is culturally rich, historically significant, and sacred ground. Scenes of explosions and sounds of sirens disturb us deeply as we grieve the loss of life, captive taking, and the withholding of basic necessities of life.

Over the past five days 2,000+ civilian lives were lost on top of military casualties. 5,000+ people are injured needing immediate care. Another 250,000 people are displaced with numbers expected to increase. Global health experts remind us that on top of the tangible

loss and physical toll there is a tremendous impact on the mental health of those who experience war, especially for children.

As people of faith, we turn to the practice of lament that guides our prayers and leads us to action. We join our voice with the Psalmist, "Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice!" (Psalm 130:1) May God hear the voices of those in Israel and Palestine experiencing unprecedented suffering and escalating violence. May the cries of our partners and care for humanity lead us from prayer to action.

We cry aloud for the devastation that has occurred and the fear of what might be.

We lament the lost lives of civilians, sojourners, military personnel, journalists, and aid workers.

For the injured, kidnapped, and refugees we pray.

We cry aloud for those whose homes have been destroyed and those who have been forced to leave their homes for safer ground.

We lament the impact of war on families who become fractured or separated. Political leaders declare war, civilians pay the price.

We cry aloud for those who feel forgotten, helpless, abandoned, and trapped within their own land.

We are saddened by a delay in a peace agreement between Israel and its neighbors.

We decry the withholding of food, water, electricity, and medical supplies for people

already devastated by isolation and embargo.

We decry the actions of Hamas on Israeli citizens and the violent retaliation of Israel against the Palestinian people.

We decry our own nation's involvement in the region to provide peace and stability, but instead causes increased militarism and division.

For world powers to eagerly enforce peace between Israel and its neighbors, we pray.

In our lament we confess that we have not listened to our partners first nor the people of Israel and Palestine. We have leaned into our settler-colonial ways believing that we held solutions for other peoples and lands. We have trusted military might when God calls us toward diplomacy and peaceful protest. We confess that we are all too often egocentric putting ourselves, our families, and our nation's needs before those of Palestinian people and Israeli peace and human rights organizations. In our lament we pause to pray and move to more just actions.



## A Prayer for Peace in Israel and Palestine

### **God of Comfort,**

send your Spirit to encompass all those whose lives are torn apart by violence and death in Israel and Palestine. You are the Advocate of the oppressed and the One whose eye is on the sparrow. Let arms reach out in healing, rather than aggression. Let hearts mourn rather than militarize.

### **God of Justice,**

give strength to those whose long work for a just peace might seem fruitless now. Strengthen their resolve. Do not let them feel alone. Show us how to support their work and bolster their courage. Guide religious leaders to model unity and reconciliation across lines of division. Guide political leaders to listen with their hearts as they seek peace and pursue it. Help all people choose the rigorous path of just peace and disavow violence.

### **God of Love,**

we lift up Palestine and Israel – its people, its land, its creatures. War is a monster that consumes everything in its path. Peace is a gift shared at meals of memory with Christians, Muslims, and Jews. Let us burn incense, not children. Let us break bread, not bodies. Let us plant olive groves, not cemeteries. We beg for love and compassion to prevail on all your holy mountains.

### **God of Hope,**

we lift up the cities of the region: Gaza City and Tel Aviv, Ramallah and Ashkelon, Deir El Balah and Sderot, so long divided, yet so filled with life and creativity. Come again to breathe peace on your peoples that all may recognize you.

### **God of Mercy,**

even now work on the hearts of combatants to choose life over death, reconciliation over retaliation, restoration over destruction. Help us resist antisemitism in all its forms, especially in our own churches. All people, Israelis and Palestinians, deserve to live in peace and unafraid, with a right to determine their future together.

### **God of the Nations,**

let not one more child or elder be sacrificed on altars of political expediency. Keep safe all people from unjust leaders who would exploit vulnerability for their own distorted ends. Give wise discernment to those making decisions to pursue peace. Provide them insight into fostering well-being, freedom, and thriving for all. Teach all of us to resolve injustices with righteousness, not rockets. Guard our hearts against retaliation, and give us hearts for love alone. Strengthen our faith in you, O God of All Flesh, even when we don't have clear answers, so that we may still offer ourselves nonviolently for the cause of peace. Amen.

~ Rose Marie Berger

***Broadmoor Memorial Fund***

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

<http://bit.ly/BPCMemorialFundForm>

***Broadmoor Church Officers***

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Class of 2023  
Bonnie Cobb  
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Class of 2024  
Adelina Sana  
Geraldine Thompson

Class of 2025  
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Martha Espinosa  
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Rev. Kathryn A. Pyke



World



Communion



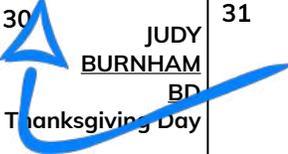
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# November 2023

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

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

<http://bit.ly/BPCFacility>

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>"Summer passes into autumn in some unimaginable point of time, like the turning of the leaf." ~ Henry David Thoreau</p>	<p>1 Meditation Group 10 am Zoom</p>  <p>All Saints Day</p>	<p>2</p>  <p>All Souls Day</p> <p>DAVID PAJARIT BD</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>Men's Breakfast 8 am, Pacifica</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Pledge Sunday</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time Ends</p> <p>Worship Team 11:30 am</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Meditation Group 10 am Zoom</p> <p>Choir 7 pm Zoom</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Session 7 pm Zoom</p> <p>JEAN ARO BD</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> 
<p>12</p> <p>Guest Rev Dean McDonald</p> <p>Deacons 1130 am</p> <p>RACHEL SORIANO BD</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Rev K Pyke Vacation Week</p> <p>ROB MANIS BD</p>	<p>14</p> <p>BRENDAN SHREVE BD</p> <p>KATIE FISHTROM BD</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Meditation Group 10 am Zoom</p> <p>Choir 7 pm Zoom</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Blessings for All November Birthdays</p> 	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>PW Zipporah &amp; Abigail Circles 10:30 am CR</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Guest Peter Stiehler St Bruno House</p> <p>Int'l Men's Day</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Rev K Pyke Vacation Week</p>	<p>21</p> 	<p>22</p> <p>Meditation Group 10 am Zoom</p>	<p>23 Thanksgiving Day</p>  <p>Church Office Closed</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Church Office Closed</p> <p>LIZ PEYTON-BAPTISTA BD</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Congregational Meeting</p> <p>Mission Ministry 11:30 am</p> <p>JOHN P CRUZ BD</p>	<p>27</p>  <p>PAULINE SANTAMARIA BD</p> <p>VIRGINIA MORSE BD</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Meditation 10 am Zoom</p> <p>Choir 7 pm Zoom</p> 	<p>30</p>  <p>JUDY BURNHAM BD Thanksgiving Day</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>A generous person will prosper, whoever refreshes others will be refreshed. ~ Proverbs 11:25</p>



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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,  
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