

WELCOME

THANKS FOR JOINING US!

DECEMBER 31, 2023

OUR MISSION IS INSPIRING PEOPLE TO **KNOW, GROW, GO** IN GOD'S LOVE.

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Christmas tree lights have dimmed.

People: The once-wrapped gifts have been shared.

Leader: But the awesome love of God still shines brightly in our hearts.

People: Our spirits resound with the good news of salvation.

Leader: God is with us!

OPENING HYMN

JOY TO THE WORLD

UMH 246

**1. JOY TO THE WORLD, THE LORD IS COME! LET EARTH RECEIVE HER KING;
LET EVERY HEART PREPARE HIM ROOM, AND HEAVEN AND NATURE SING,
AND HEAVEN AND NATURE SING, AND HEAVEN, AND HEAVEN AND NATURE SING**

**2. JOY TO THE WORLD, THE SAVIOR REIGNS! LET ALL THEIR SONGS EMPLOY;
WHILE FIELDS AND FLOODS, ROCKS, HILLS, AND PLAINS REPEAT THE SOUNDING JOY,
REPEAT THE SOUNDING JOY, REPEAT, REPEAT THE SOUNDING JOY.**

**3. NO MORE LET SIN AND SORROWS GROW, NOR THORNS INFEST THE GROUND;
HE COMES TO MAKE HIS BLESSINGS FLOW FAR AS THE CURSE IS FOUND,
FAR AS THE CURSE IS FOUND, FAR AS, FAR AS THE CURSE IS FOUND.**

**4. HE RULES THE WORLD WITH TRUTH AND GRACE, AND MAKES THE NATIONS PROVE
THE GLORIES OF HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND WONDERS OF HIS LOVE,
AND WONDERS OF HIS LOVE, AND WONDERS, WONDERS OF HIS LOVE.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. **universal

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, that we are not ready to come down from the Christmas "high." So much time was spent in gathering, wrapping, and delivering gifts; in preparing for family gatherings and times with friends; in decorating our homes. But somehow, right after Christmas Day, we feel a letdown. We don't want that "high" to be over. We want to feel the "peace on earth" feeling, but we let it go. We push it aside when we begin our journey of complaining and blaming others for everything that is going wrong. We ignore the blessing of the gift when we refuse to help those in need. Shake us up, Lord! Get us ready to be people of compassion and hope. Wake us up, Lord! Help us see the beauty and possibilities of peace around us. Fill us up, Lord! Fill us to overflowing with joy. Let our words, our thoughts, and our actions speak of your love for us. In Jesus' Name, we pray. (please continue in silent reflection and personal confession)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

KRISTIN NELSON

ANTHEM

THE WORK OF CHRISTMAS
ADAM PHILLEY, SOLOIST

BY FORREST

*STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

BOLD RESPOND IN UNISON

GIVING

Offering is an act of worship. Text **GIVEBUMC** to **877.570.3715** to give or visit our website!

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JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN

I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

UMH 206

1. I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT. I WANT TO FOLLOW JESUS.

2. I WANT TO SEE THE BRIGHTNESS OF GOD. I WANT TO LOOK AT JESUS.

GOD SET THE STARS TO GIVE LIGHT TO THE WORLD. THE STAR OF MY LIFE IS JESUS.

CLEAR SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, SHINE ON MY PATH, AND SHOW ME THE WAY TO THE FATHER.

IN HIM THERE IS NO DARKNESS AT ALL. THE NIGHT AND THE DAY ARE BOTH ALIKE.

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THE LAMB IS THE LIGHT OF THE CITY OF GOD. SHINE IN MY HEART, LORD JESUS.

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3. I'M LOOKING FOR THE COMING OF CHRIST. I WANT TO BE WITH JESUS.

WHEN WE HAVE RUN WITH PATIENCE THE RACE, WE SHALL KNOW THE JOY OF JESUS.

IN HIM THERE IS NO DARKNESS AT ALL. THE NIGHT AND THE DAY ARE BOTH ALIKE.

THE LAMB IS THE LIGHT OF THE CITY OF GOD. SHINE IN MY HEART, LORD JESUS

BLESSING OVER THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

DAN LEY, PIANO

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 61:1-62: 3

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

GOD'S GARMENTS FOR US

DR. WYBRA PRICE

*CLOSING HYMN

THIS IS A DAY OF NEW BEGINNINGS

UMH 383

1. THIS IS A DAY OF NEW BEGINNINGS,

TIME TO REMEMBER AND MOVE ON,

TIME TO BELIEVE WHAT LOVE IS BRINGING,

LAYING TO REST THE PAIN THAT'S GONE.

2. FOR BY THE LIFE AND DEATH OF JESUS,

GOD'S MIGHTY SPIRIT, NOW AS THEN,

CAN MAKE FOR US A WORLD OF DEFERENCE,

AS FAITH AND HOPE ARE BORN AGAIN.

3. THEN LET US, WITH THE SPIRIT'S DARLING,

STEP FROM THE PAST AND LEAVE BEHIND OUR DISAPPOINTMENT,

GUILT, AND GRIEVING,

SEEKING NEW PATHS, AND SURE TO FIND.

*4. CHRIST IS ALIVE, AND GOES BEFORE US TO SHOW
AND SHARE WHAT LOVE CAN DO.*

THIS IS A DAY OF NEW BEGINNINGS;

OUR GOD IS MAKING ALL THINGS NEW.

*5. IN FAITH WE'LL GATHER ROUND THE TABLE
TO TASTE AND SHARE WHAT LOVE CAN DO.*

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BENEDICTION

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

JANUARY SERMON SERIES

Who is this Jesus who tries to keep his identity a secret? As Jesus' public ministry begins, he remains a somewhat mysterious figure. Like a good spy, magicians, or stealthy detective, Jesus plays things close to the vest and reveals things only when he is ready. Through six weeks of Gospel readings, we see Jesus begin to reveal himself more and more, while at the same time insisting on keeping his identity secret. As we explore Jesus' mysterious identity, we may discover more about ourselves and a purpose that causes us to live with a sense of urgency.

BINGO Sunday, January 28th at 5pm

Save the date for Bingo Sunday, January 28th beginning at 5pm in Anderson Gym.

YOUTH SPRING KICKOFF SUNDAY, JAN. 7TH FROM 5-7PM IN THE GYM

As we amp up for a new year, we hope you plan to join us for our Spring Kickoff on Jan 7th from 5-7 PM starting in the gym! We will have a parent-student meeting to follow to discuss all sorts of things: Sunday school, Confirmation, Mission Trips, and MORE! Please plan to be there!

PHILIPPIANS STUDY LED BY BONNIE DANIEL STARTING MONDAY, JAN. 22ND AT 10AM

"Many of us spend our lives chasing happy through relationships, success, and the next adventure. Yet, we only discover a dryness in our souls. We chase temporary happiness instead of the eternal happiness found in Jesus. Join Bonnie Daniel in studying Philippians by Lori Wilhite beginning January 22nd at 10 AM. Cost to attend is \$20. RSVP on your connect card or by emailing office@broadmoorumc.org

January Mission Focus: Broadmoor STEM Adopt a Teacher/Staff member Appreciation Lunch Drive

The January Mission Focus will be to collect money for the Broadmoor Stem Adopt a Teacher/Staff member Appreciation Lunch Drive. We will be collecting \$10 and a individual note of appreciation to include on the lunch box. We plan to purchase the lunches from Honey Baked Ham . The box has a ham or turkey sandwich ,chips, cookies and a drink. We will deliver these to the teachers during their Teacher Appreciation Week. We will have tables outside the Sanctuary and the River for collecting your donation and notes. Thank you for all your help for the students and staff at our neighborhood school.