Broadway Beacon

A Season of Giving!



Thank you to everyone who helped sponsor angels this year from our Angel Tree! We were able to provide gifts for 23 students from Chenoweth Elementary and 11 individuals/families at Choice's Inc. These are 2 of our mission partners supported by our annual Mission Budget.



Thank you to everyone who helped provide food for families in our city this year! We provided 30 families with boxes of food as well as some perishable items like bread, eggs, milk and fruit.



MUSIC MINISTRY

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A big shout out to our Decoration Team who did a fabulous job in presenting our Advent theme, From Generation to Generation: There is Room for Every Story.

Thank you to our social team for all their selfless acts of service during the Advent season.

Thank you to all our musicians who practiced hours to offer their gifts of music in worship during our Advent journey..



Choirs:

The chancel choir will sing in the choir loft on Sunday, January 8 and rehearsals will resume Wednesday, January 11.

Preschool music time (9:45) and children's choir (noon) will resume on Sunday, January 8.

BROADWAY ARTS ACADEMY

The new semester begins the week of January 9.

*Individual lessons are available for

flute, guitar, trumpet, violin, voice, and piano.

*Group lessons include acrylic and watercolor painting

for adults and children, creative movement (ages 7-10),

preschool "Music in Me" (ages 3-5), and ballroom dancing

(adults). Stretch your creative wings in 2023! The Academy is for all ages and abilities.

We had an amazing turn out for our first semester recital on Sunday, December 11.

All the students did very well and the parents were impressed and appreciative of our facilities, volunteers, and teachers. As we embark on our second semester, we will have more offerings and, thus, more students at the Academy. Therefore, we will need more BBC volunteers to serve as greeters and hosts.

If you can serve as a volunteer in the mornings or afternoons, for one hour or more, please contact Robert asap.



NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to Broadway!

Don't forget to say hi!



CHILDREN & FAMILIES





It was great to see so many lovely faces at the Family Advent Breakfast!





SANCTUARY FLOWERS



If you would like to sponsor flowers for the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings, these are the available dates for 2023:

Feb. 5, 12, 19

April 23, 30

July 23, 30

August 6, 13, 20

Oct. 22, 29

Nov. 5

Please contact Nancy Stopher (stopher@bellsouth.net) to reserve your Sunday.



BROADWAY BAPTIST CHURCH REACH ALERTS

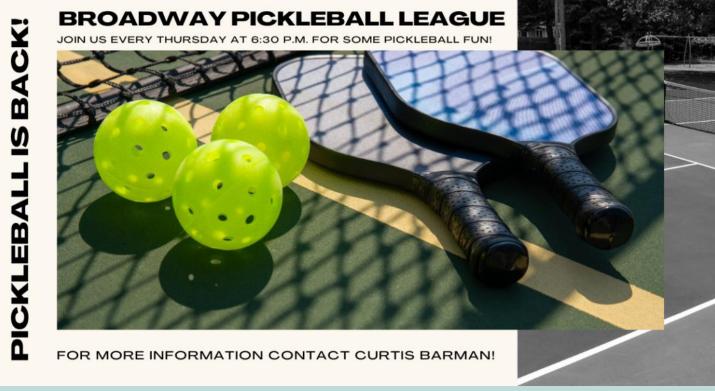
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TO REGISTER GO TO
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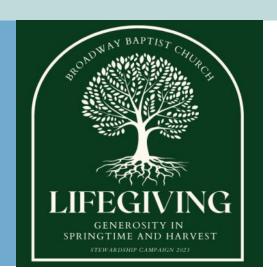
YEAR END GIVING STATEMENTS

Year End Giving Statements for 2022 will be mailed out by January. We appreciate all your contributions and support given during the year. Please review them as soon as you receive them so any corrections can be made before the church finalizes the year end financial statements. If you have any questions about your statement, please contact Sarah Sanders in the office by phone 895-2459 or email sarah@broadwaybaptist.org. Thank you for your generous support of Broadway Baptist Church in 2022.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

LifeGiving: Generosity in Springtime and Harvest

At the end of 2022, we have received \$668,100 in total pledges for 2023. We are still short of the \$706,600 pledged total in 2022. If you have not had a chance to turn in your pledge, we are still happily accepting!



A Letter from the Pastor...



Beloved Broadway,

Where are we headed this New Year?

The beloved modern hymn writer, Brian Wren, wrote in 1975, "This is a Day of New Beginnings," a poetic piece celebrating the promise of Jesus in Revelation 21, "Behold, I am making all things new." For me, this is the summation of the Gospel; The Good News of God's Kingdom coming to Earth as it is in Heaven through the incarnation, ministry, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus (Hence, the expression, "to Kingdom come"). There are infinite ways to communicate the Truth of the Gospel of Jesus, and perhaps another more personalized way might be to say, "Yes, even you can begin anew."

I love New Year's, and I love the hopefulness of New Year Resolutions (even though I am squarely average in being able to maintain my NYRs, which means NOT able). I love the promise and hope of the New Year. Like a vision statement for an organization, it provides an infinite horizon towards which we aim, albeit aware that we will never reach that horizon in our speck of mortality. As the theologian and ethicist Reinhold Niebuhr once wrote, "Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in our lifetime." A vision isn't the same as a destination, but a dream. A star in the sky worth pursuing, like the wise Magi from the East who arrive every year on January 6, the Epiphany, the moment the mad king Herod was proven to be a false substitute for the one true King...a King without a crown of gold, born into a hay-laden manger-cradle, who would one day wear a crown of thorns and be buried in a borrowed tomb. The story the Incarnation proves that God shows up in the most unexpected, shocking, and dare I say scandalous of places. The Incarnation fills our world with God's fleshy presence and fulfills our vision at Broadway, a world where "Every Story Matters," because God's story declares it so.

Therefore, as we begin our next quest around the sun, we offer you a "star" so-to-speak to orient our rudders. If you were with us in worship on New Year's Day, you would have picked a "Star Word" and if you weren't, more will be available in the Narthex on the first Sunday after the Epiphany (January 8). These are a decade-old custom in Protestant churches, where we each pick a word (or perhaps the word picks us?) to reflect on in the new year. This is not the same as a destination (New Year's Resolution), like "I want to loss 20 pounds," "I want to read 24 books this year," "I want to volunteer more." Those are all fine destinations or goals.

However, a Star Word is more like a vision, a direction, a chance to dream. The question is more
like, "How might I bring more into the world in 2023?" "God, will you give me more
in the New Year, and how may I join you in this work?" We all have more weaknesses, flaws, growing
edges, or growth opportunities than we can count, but the point of the Gospel is NOT, "Come to
Jesus, so that he can fix you," but rather, "Accept and live out of what has already been made true by
Christyou are beloved, you are sacred, and you too are becoming new."

Where will your Star Word point you this Year?

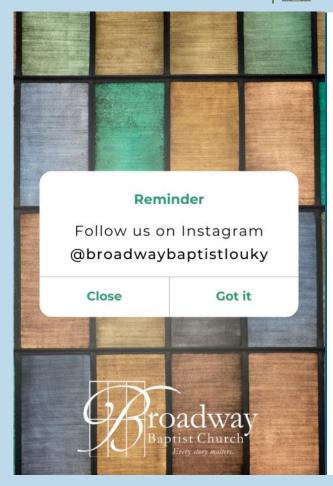
Grace & Peace.

Pastor Kevin

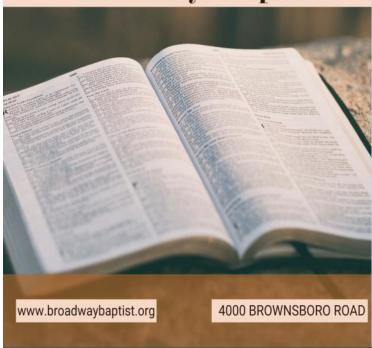
REMINDERS!







Bible Study Wednesdays at 6 p.m.





January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship	2 Office Closed	3	4	5 6:30 p.m. Pickleball	6 Canasta Night at 6 p.m.	7
8 Sunday School Worship	9	10	11 Deacon Ordination Supper & Study Kids Missions	12 6:30 p.m. Pickleball	13	14 Church-wide Chili Cook-off Parent Meeting
15 Sunday School Worship	16	17	18 Supper & Study Kids Missions	19 6:30 p.m. Pickleball	20 Enneagram Weekend	21 Enneagram Weekend
22 Sunday School Worship	23	24	25 Supper & Study Kids Missions	26 6:30 p.m. Pickleball	27	28
29 Sunday School Worship	30	31				



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Upcoming Events



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SAVE THE DATE!

HAND AND FOOT

CANASTA NIGHT

01/06/2023

6:00 P.M.

\$5 DONATION, DRINKS, SNACKS, AND DESSERTS PROVIDED RSVP TO TERI VEAL AT TERIVEAL5@GMAIL.COM

All skill levels welcome!

YOU'RE INVITED!



Hot prizes for the best chili!

CHILLI COOK-OFF 01.14.2023

4:30-5:30 PM (Parent Meeting)

5:30-8:30 PM (Church-wide Chili Cook-off)

Parent town hall meeting in Friendship Hall, while the kids play in the FLC! Please RSVP to Ann Hale at familyministry@broadwaybaptist.org by January 11!





ENNEAGRAM: LEARNING AND DISCUSSION WEEKEND

THIS GROUP, LED BY MARY LUCY HOOK, WILL MEET FOR 2 SESSIONS TO LEARN ABOUT THE ENNEAGRAM, WHICH IS A TOOL USED THROUGHOUT THE AGES TO EXPLORE PERSONALITY TYPES, MOTIVATIONS, AND HOW WE INTERACT WITH OTHERS.

THE SCHEDULE WILL BE:

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20 - 6:00 - 9:00 (SNACKS INCLUDED)
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 - 9:00 - 3:00 (LUNCH INCLUDED)

THERE IS NO COST TO PARTICIPATE, BUT DONATIONS ARE WELCOME TO COVER LUNCH COSTS.

PLEASE RSVP TO MARY LUCY BY MONDAY, JANUARY 16 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE.

MARYLUCYHOOK@GMAIL.COM OR (502) 594-2848



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