

I want to remind you of the idea of "The Gap." As the year comes to a close some organizations talk about "The Gap" between receipts and expenditures for the year. This is very common in churches.

Our gap through the end of October is \$148,435. We have spent \$148,435 more than we have taken in. Our spending has been under budget. We do not have a spending problem. We have a giving gap, and our giving gap has never been larger than it is right now.

End of year giving is always good. For most every church, December makes up the gap. Many people can only give at the end of the year. That's understandable and we can expect to enjoy the blessings of a "double month" in December. My goal is to inform you and urge you to give now because we need your help now.

One special challenge we face nationwide today is the "graying of the church." We have more and more retired people who have essentially fixed incomes, and lower interest rates to sustain their savings through retirement. Our senior adults are faithful, but they do not have the means to help us close the gap. The church needs working families to grow in their commit-

ment. The future viability of Broadmoor depends on us.

Churches tend to give more generously when they sense stability. On that point let me assure you how happy I am to be here and how focused I am on letting God use me at Broadmoor to make this church even greater.

However, no amount of instability should obscure God's total dependability. A trusting faith suffuses life with peace and joy. No longer at the mercy of the vagaries of budgets or markets or headlines we can look heavenward and remember that we only keep what we give away. Make sure your focus is on God, the blessings He has given you, and the purpose He has for you.

Let's narrow and then close "The Gap." Do your part. Give according to God's extravagant riches. I look forward to Thanksgiving and Advent with this wonderful church.

Grace,
Terry Ellis

ADULTS

Church Decorating Committee

December 2, 9:00 a.m.

The committee will meet in the sanctuary to decorate the church for Christmas.

Church Christmas Dinner

Sunday, December 14

6:00 p.m.

\$5 per person

Menu:

Bacon Wrapped Chicken Breast, Twice Baked Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Red Velvet Cake

Please make reservations for dinner in Sunday School or by calling the church office.

Poinsettias for the Sanctuary

If you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, please call the church office. Large poinsettias are available for \$40 each, and small poinsettias are \$10 each.

Broadmoor Subdivision Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 6

2:00 p.m.

The Cast of "Uncle Phil's Diner" will be representing BBC in this first annual subdivision parade. The parade begins at Broadmoor High School. The entire parade route can be found on:

www.broadmoor-br.org



Interactive Christmas Dinner Theater

Performances:

Friday, Dec. 5, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 7, 11:30 a.m.

Menu: Hamburgers, French Fries and Ice Cream Sundaes

Tickets are \$10, and can be purchased in the church office. Limited seating. Bring 2 cans of food per person to benefit Southeast Ministries.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Baton Rouge Rehab
Kathryn Harbour

Home from the Hospital
Henry Chiles
John Davis
Lancy Hill

In Loving Memory

Mrs. Patty Dunaway united with this church on July 8, 1962 and departed this life on November 16, 2014.

Thank You

Words of sincere appreciation have been received from:

Theda Ricks
Al Jolissaint and family

ADVENT CALENDAR

November 30

December 5

December 7

December 12

December 13

December 14

December 17

December 21

December 24

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (*Hope*)

Uncle Phil's Diner, 6:30 p.m.

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (*Peace*)

Hanging of the Green, 10:30 a.m.

Uncle Phil's Diner, 11:30 a.m.

Youth Christmas Party, 7 p.m.

Children's Christmas Party, 6-8 p.m.

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (*Joy*)

Children's Music during Worship

Christmas Dinner, 6 p.m.

All Church Caroling, 6 p.m.

4TH SUNDAY IN ADVENT (*Love*)

Adult Choir Program, 10:30 a.m.

The Longest Night Service, 6 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service,

6:00 p.m.

Experience Christmas Differently

Sometimes amid the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, the true meaning of the season can be lost. Starting Sunday, November 30 at 9:15 a.m., Jeff & Cindy Lee and Alan & Connie Jordan will facilitate a 4-week exploration and discussion on the history, purpose, and meaning of Advent, the season of preparation. We will be using the book, *When God Comes Down*, as a guide. Purchase of the book is not necessary for participation. The group discussion will take place in Room 218, and all are welcome to join.

CALENDAR

Thursday, November 20
10:00 A BBQ

Sunday, November 23
9:00 A Library Opens
9:15 A Bible Study
10:30 A Worship

Extended Teaching Care
Faye Futch, Kelli & Eli Rayburn,
Angie & Emily Miller, Kendall
Beasley

4:00 P Youth/Uncle Phil's
Rehearsal
5:45 P Belles & Beaux
6:00 P Youth Bible Study

Tuesday, November 25
7:00 P Ecumenical Thanksgiving
Service, St. Luke's

Wednesday, November 26
12:00 P CHURCH OFFICE
CLOSES AT NOON

Thursday, November 27
THANKSGIVING-CHURCH OFFICE
CLOSED

Friday, November 28
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

NO WEDNESDAY
NIGHT DINNER
OR ACTIVITIES
November 26

To Reach an
On Call Minister
call
328-3474

CHILDREN

Christmas Party
Saturday, December 13
6-8 p.m.

For preschool through 5th
grade, in the church activi-
ties hall. We will watch the
movie *The Polar Express*,
make crafts, and eat pizza.

YOUTH

Ultimate Frisbee
November 30
6:00-7:15 p.m., in the gym

Christmas Party
Friday, December 12
7:00-9:00 p.m.

At the home of Greg and
Erika Futch, 8535 Wildwood,
Denham Springs.

**Youth Ringing Bells
for Salvation Army**
Saturday, December 13
O'Neal Lane Wal-Mart
8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Call Dave to sign-up.

COLLEGE

Christmas Party
Friday, December 12
6:30 p.m.

Join us for fun and fellowship
at Bobby & Kelli Rayburn's
home.

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Community Thanksgiving Service

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Tuesday, November 25
7:00 p.m.

Advent 2014

God with Us

beginning

November 30
10:30 a.m.

