

celebration of christian worship

GATHER...TO WORSHIP AND PRAISE

Sharing of the Peace and Welcome Dr. Leonard Ezell

Invitation to Worship Dr. Ezell

Prelude *Wachet auf! (Sleepers Awake)* J.S. Bach arr. Chuck Seipp
Melvin Hale, organ and Tristan Keaton, trumpet

*Lighting of the Advent Candle of Hope (based on Isaiah 64:1-9) Hope Sunday School Class
Patricia Byrd, Betty Lou Nunneley, Marsha Beadle,
Dot Lamson, Mike Robinson

Reader 1: O God, we light the first candle of Advent.
Reader 2: We kindle it with hope. We long for You to come to our world, to break
through and reign with compassion, justice, and peace.
Reader 3: The prophet Isaiah also cried to God to tear open heaven and come down.
He called God’s people to do right.
Reader 4: Isaiah called them to be refashioned like clay by God, the potter. This
Advent, we call out to God.
**Congregation: Mighty God, Creator of the world, break through all that keeps us
from You. We ask for Your mercy and reform us in Your image. This
Advent, visit us with Your justice, love, and peace. Amen.**

*Hymn #97 *The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns* MORNING SONG
(vss 1, 3 & 5)

*Invocation Dr. Alissa Rowe
GATHER...TO WELCOME THE CHILDREN
The children are invited forward for the children’s sermon.

Hymn #603 *Jesus Loves Me* CHINA
**Jesus loves me this I know! For the Bible tells me so;
little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes Jesus loves me, yes Jesus loves me, yes Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.**

Children’s Sermon Bobby Rayburn

Choral Praise *An Advent Prayer* Allen Pote
Come holy Jesus, come to free us from our sin. Come holy Jesus, and make us pure within. Inspire
each heart with illumined surprise, enkindle a flame anew. Increase our faith and strengthen our
lives, show us the joy or living life in You.

GATHER...TO OFFER OUR GIFTS WITH THANKSGIVING

Offertory Prayer James Gilley

Offertory *Bist du bei mir* J.S. Bach arr. Chuck Seipp
Melvin Hale, organ and Tristan Keaton, trumpet

*Response Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Old 100th
**Praise God, from whom all blessing flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him, above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

GATHER...TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture Isaiah 9:1-4 Maddie Robinson

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into con-
tempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way
of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in dark-
ness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.
You have multiplied exultation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the
harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden and the bar across their
shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Reflection #96 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (vs. 1)* HOUSTON
**I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life is 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.**

Sermon *Hope: A Light in Darkness* Dr. Ezell

DEPART...TO SERVE

*Hymn of Response #427 *We’ve a Story to Tell the Nations* MESSAGE
(vss. 1, 3 & 4)

*Announcements and Benediction Bobby Rayburn

*Postlude *Rondeau* J. Mouret arr. Chuck Seipp
Melvin Hale, organ and Tristan Keaton, trumpet

***The congregation is invited to stand.**

ministry opportunities

Sunday, November 30

- 8:30 A Common Grounds Café Opens
- 9:15 A Sunday School
- 10:30 A Worship Service, Hope
- 11:30 A Sanctuary Decorating
- 4:00 P Belles et Beaux Rehearsal
- 5:00 P Youth

Tuesday, December 2

- 9:30 A Yoga
- 10:00 A Quilting

Wednesday, December 3

- 6:00 P Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 5

- 9:30 A Yoga
- 7:30 P LSU Candlelight Concert

Saturday, December 6

- 11:00 A Broadmoor Parade

Sunday, December 7

- 8:30 A Common Grounds Café Opens
- 9:15 A Sunday School
- 10:30 A Worship Service, Peace
- Hanging of the Green
- 11:30 A children's Advent Event/Lunch
- 4:00 P Belles et Beaux Rehearsal

ADVENT 2025 Events

November 30, Hope

- 10:30 A First Sunday of Advent Service
- Pick up your Advent wreath
- 11:30 A Sanctuary Decorating (*see right*)

December 5

- 7:30 P BBC hosting LSU Candlelight Concert

December 6

- 11:00 A Broadmoor Neighborhood Christmas Parade

December 7, Peace

- 10:30 A Second Sunday of Advent Service
- Hanging of the Green Service
- 11:30 A Children's Advent Event/Lunch

December 14, Joy

- 10:30 A Third Sunday of Advent Service
- Sanctuary Choir presents "The Many Moods of Christmas"
- 11:30 A Christmas Lunch, *see right*
- 5:00 P College and Young Adult outing at Burden Gardens to see the lights

December 18

- 11 A-1 P Prayer, Peace and Pie

December 19

- 6:00 P Youth Christmas Party at Hannie's

December 21, Love

- 10:30 A Fourth Sunday of Advent Service
- 5:00 P Caroling and S'mores

December 24, Christmas Eve

- 6:00 P Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sanctuary Decorating...TODAY Following worship we are going to decorate the Sanctuary for the Advent season. If you are able to help us decorate stay! Lunch will be provided.

Churchwide Christmas Lunch...December 14, 11:30 A. Cost \$10 per adult/ \$5 per child. Sign up by December 4.

LSU Candlelight Concert...Friday, December 5, 7:30 P. BBC is delighted to host the annual LSU Candlelight Concert this year. Tickets are \$18 and are available at LSU College of Music and Drama Website.

Poinsettias for Advent...Poinsettias are a part of our decorations for Advent. If you would like to have one placed in honor or memory of someone, the cost is \$15/ small and \$40/large. Please call the church office.

2026 Stewardship "Seeds of Faith"...Please prayerfully consider the 2026 budget and return your pledge cards via mail, bringing to the office, or during worship until the end of December.

Affinity Groups...Do you have a hobby you'd love to share with others? Do you have an interest you'd love to pursue with others? Consider turning that into one of our **Affinity Group** options starting in **February**. Give us your idea and we will get the word out! Contact Church Office by **December 30** to submit your idea. Sign ups for your group happen in **January**.

Southeast Ministries...Our church has provided Southeast Ministries with \$4000 worth of gift cards with the message, "Merry Christmas from Broadmoor Baptist Church." Beginning Thanksgiving week these \$20 gift cards are being given to individuals who qualify for food assistance. During the month of December, we will be collecting both canned cranberry sauce and yams. If you would like to visit the pantry, it is open Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 A to 11:45 A, and its located at 476 Sharp Road.

To give online with tithe.ly



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hope

*The people who walked
in darkness
have seen a great light.*

“Let There Be Light”

First Sunday of Advent November 30, 2025

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