

2024 Ministry Impact Report



fingerprints

fingerprints
everywhere!



Confirmation Sunday

community &
connection



every orientation, background,
shape, size, beautiful to us.
We want you here.

★ follow the acts
of the heart

trails of service
evidence of joy

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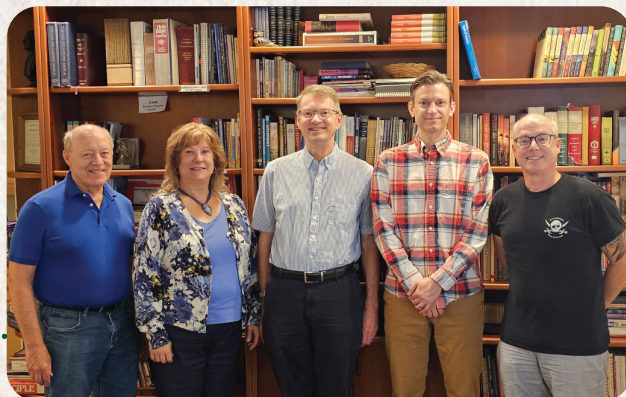


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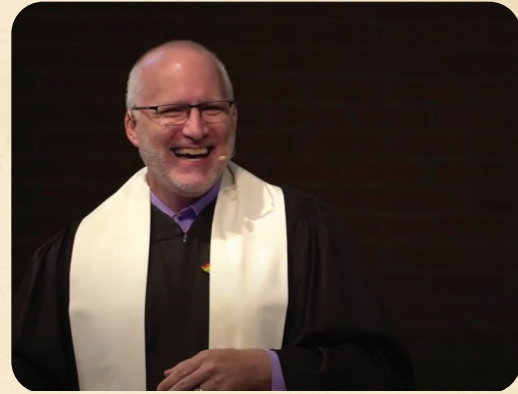


REPORT NOTE: We have recovered alias' for some ministries. If you see AKA, it stands for: Also Known As.





Pastor Thomas Cross



Pastor Don Bird

Welcome to our 2024 Ministry Impact Report, where we've taken a closer look at the fingerprints of God on our community. Just as forensic scientists search for evidence to reveal hidden truths, this report uncovers the marks of grace, service, and transformation left by the work we've done together. You will find evidence that supports a deeper connection to our mission, data that highlights the tangible ways we've shaped lives, and stories that bear witness to the love and care we've left behind.

As you read through these pages, we invite you to consider how each act of kindness, every step of faith, and all the moments of service have left lasting imprints - God's fingerprints in the world through our shared ministry. Together, we continue to leave evidence of love in the hearts and lives of those we serve.

It is a joy to be in ministry with you!

Pastor Don

Pastor Don



June Partner Sunday

Baptism of Luca Restrepo



Overall Findings



Stephen Ministers

Offers a proven and effective way to organize, equip, and supervise a team of congregation members - called Stephen Ministers - to provide high-quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in the congregation and the community experiencing life difficulties.

Witness Statements

"When I was with my Stephen Minister, I felt Jesus was with me. I saw the love of God in her eyes while we talked and prayed, and it would fill me with such comfort and peace. It helped me know that I could make it through."

"My Stephen Minister's weekly visits became an anchor in my life - something I could rely on when everything else was so uncertain. She was a steady reminder of God's presence, helping me know I was never alone."

Link between service and heart - follow it!

Family Mentoring Team

After the Denver Rescue Mission approves homeless families, they contact the Broomfield UMC Family Mentoring team to place families in the area. The team not only helps the family with immediate household needs and social service resources, but they work with the family on financial, work, family, and personal goals.

In 2024 the team continued to work with a grandmother whose son died and is helping raise her five grandchildren. It has not been an easy road for her and she works three food delivery jobs to stay afloat. She is very appreciative of the team's moral support and a bit of financial help. Family Mentoring maintains contact with another large family and is open to taking a new family when the Rescue Mission calls.

Heart to Heart

The Heart to Heart Team is a group of nine caring volunteers who make visits and calls to partners and friends of Broomfield UMC who are homebound or reside in senior communities and assisted living. In 2024, Heart to Heart members reached out to 25 different senior and disabled partners and friends, offering encouragement, listening, and prayers. Heart to Heart volunteers give generously of their time to make visits, make phone calls, send cards, and drop off treats. This caring, compassionate team welcomes new members throughout the year.



Prayer Team

A team of 12+ prayer warriors who believe prayer heals, guides, soothes, and saves. They pray over requests and lift up joyful praises that come through the church by email, phone calls, or the Prayer and Care cards. Alice Potter leads the team and she welcomes new members. "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us." 1 John 5:14

Prayer number: (303-225-0235)

Hard Facts

- 12 Stephen Ministers
- 14 Active Stephen partners
- 4 Care receivers
- Standing ready to help more!



Wheels to Worship

Provides transportation on Sunday mornings to those who would not be able to get to church on their own. Five volunteers brought eleven of our community members to in-person worship each week. Founded by Edith Martin (100 in 2024!) and the late Marv Eakes. New drivers and riders are always welcome!



Acts of the heart everywhere!

AKA: Apple Tree Christian Preschool & Kindergarten

Studies show that the development of social/emotional skills in the early years are vital for success in elementary and secondary education, and through the play-based curriculum that we provide, we are able to set our students up for success before they enter the larger classes of public education.

This year's focus was "Superheroes of the Bible." This curriculum focused on a positive social/emotional trait from someone in the Bible, such as being a good listener, being a good friend, or being a good helper, and integrating that person's story and their superpower into the everyday curriculum of the classroom. Parents joined the students and staff each month for Chapel and have given a lot of positive feedback on the stories and songs.

Hard Facts

Apple Tree serves:

- 123 Students and 115 families
- 47 Universal Preschool (UPK) students
- 10 children each day through our Parents Day Out (PDO) program

Follow the evidence of joy



Witness Statements

Joanna Harper (Toddlers Teacher) "Having the opportunity to make a positive impact on a child's first school experience is why I teach at Apple Tree. I have also been blessed to be a part of such a special staff at Apple Tree who truly care about each other and the kids and families we serve."

Donelle Danze (Enrichment Teacher) "I chose Apple Tree because from the first day I felt welcome. There was a sense of community that bonded everyone together. It felt like a family."

Bonnie Riley (Pre-K Teacher) "Twenty-five years ago I had the amazing opportunity to be one of the women to start and teach at Apple Tree Christian Preschool. I love all the families, students, and teachers that are a part of our wonderful school! As a Christian, it is such a blessing for me to begin to plant the seeds and love that Jesus Christ taught. It is such a privilege and honor to be a part of this incredible program!"

More Witness Statements

Tara Cave (Apple Tree Parent) "Our teacher, Ms. Cathy, is amazing, incredibly sweet and giving, patient and kind. She embodies a welcoming, loving, Godly woman and it shows in how the kids in her class behave, get along, and learn."

Hannah Goodnight (Apple Tree Parent) "We LOVE Apple Tree. I know everyone cares deeply about my kids and their total wellbeing. I cannot think of a better place to send my kids."

Christian Bourg (Apple Tree Parent) "I will recommend Apple Tree to any family that I can as it has been SUCH a positive, hopeful, supportive experience for my son and our family."

Apple Tree

AKA: Children

Trails of Service

Family Movie Nights

Families enjoyed pizza and a movie. The great part about this event is bringing together the communities of our church and Apple Tree where they get to know each other!

Fostering Connections

Parents Night Out is all about the parents!

Kids are dropped off and do fun activities while the parents get to have a date night or down time. Many have said that they haven't had time to themselves in a very long time!

Special Needs Easter Egg Hunt

Partnering with Discovery Church once again, volunteers assisted with Discovery's annual Special Needs Easter Egg Hunt. Our team loves to work with Discovery and the kids. We are honored to help each year.

Serving Others

Trunk or Treat

This annual event continues to pour love into our wider community. Approximately 900 people attended with many repeat attendees from outside our Broomfield UMC community, and even more who have never been to our event before.

Community Connection

Cookie Jar Making

Our K-5th grade Sunday School kids participated in our annual Cookie Jar Making. Jars are sold and all proceeds go to our mission partner Global Hope. "Kids helping kids!" as Vicki Cromarty, Director of Family Ministries likes to say.

Childcare Staff



Sunday School

Hard Facts

- 22 kids each Sunday (infant - 5th graders)
- Average of 10 families attending the Family Movie Night events
- Average of 40 kids attending the Parents Night Out events
- Approximately 900 attended Trunk or Treat
- 14 adults (staff and volunteers) providing care and serving children throughout the year



Witness Statements

Brigitte B. (Parent) "My three and five-year-old came to the 9am Sunday School and loved it! I wish I knew about Broomfield UMC when I moved here three years ago. I LOVE that you have a kids activity (at Community Time) in the community hall! This church offers so many opportunities to become a church family."

Sunday School



Crissy Paulson (Family Ministries Volunteer) "It's so much fun volunteering to help with Sunday School! The Broomfield UMC kids are bright and funny and I have a great time spending the morning with them. It's a fun and fulfilling way to spread some of God's love among the Lego bricks and coloring pages."

Annual Trunk or Treat



Witness Statement

Jen Peters (Family Ministries Volunteer) "I thought I would volunteer to benefit the Church, but it is really like everyone says, 'You get more out of it than anyone else.' I have made great friends working with other people who love to teach children. It also helps me keep life in perspective. For example, one day I came into Sunday School worried about something. Two of the girls were excited to see me and so enthusiastic about the plan for the day, it quickly changed my mood."

Witness Statement

Jen S. (Parent) "I wanted to thank you for putting together such an amazing Firelight VBS camp last week! My kids had an awesome time. They learned about Jesus, met new friends, and had a great week. I keep overhearing them remind each other of stories from last week and they have both been singing the songs they learned with you."

4th and 5th Graders Paddleboarding



Snack



Closing Gathering



VBS in Sunday Worship



Summer Celebration Picnic

AKA: Vacation Bible School

Hard Facts

- 190 kids participated
- 43% from the community
- 117 volunteers (43 adult and 74 youth)



Bible Story of the Day



Sequence of Events

In June we hosted Vacation Bible School! It was a fun time as usual. Our theme was Camp Firelight, a summer camp adventure with God. Our special verse for the week was, "Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in You," Psalm 56:3. These words serve as a reminder that God is always with us. We were very blessed to have amazing volunteers, who care deeply about kids, sharing their faith throughout the week. We were always so excited each day as we learned more about Jesus!

Each day of Bible School we started in the Sanctuary, learning super fun songs and what we would be talking about each day. The kids enjoyed experiencing all of the stations, including music, themed art projects, games, snacks, the Bible story of the day, and absolutely loved the recap trivia at the closing gathering!

Our 4th and 5th graders went on a couple of field trips throughout the week. They had fun paddleboarding and helping one of our mission partners, Joyful Journeys, sort and organize donations.

On the Sunday after VBS, our VBS kids were invited to attend worship and sing one of the songs they had learned during the week. All the families, volunteers, and our congregation were then invited to a picnic outside on the west lawn for a summer celebration. It was a great end to a fantastic week!

VBS



AKA: Camp Adventure Buddies

Hard Facts:

- 32 campers
- 16% of campers new to Camp Adventure Buddies
- 81% of campers from the community
- 7 campers attended all four weeks
- 6 teen counselors

Baking Week



Messy Week



Sequence of Events

Links to curiosity

For Culinary Week, the campers modeled the popular British baking show *The Great British Bake Off* using basic baking recipes and then choosing from various extra ingredients to make one-of-a-kind baking masterpieces. These masterpieces were then judged by different members of the Broomfield UMC staff each day. The Christian focus was based on "I Can Be a Friend At All Times." Culinary week continues to be the most popular camp with a total of 24 campers attending.

The Art Campers learned about contemporary artists that taught them about beauty in their world through color, beauty in the simple things, and beauty in themselves through artists such as Seurat, Chagall, Oldenburg, Lange, and Kahlo. The Christian Theme was "Think About It." The campers were challenged to change the way they think every day, to question what they hear and see, and let God be their guide.

The Mystery Camp had campers solving riddles for escape rooms, hunting down clues to determine what activities they would be doing, and learning about the concept, "Is God Real?" Each escape the campers completed taught them the story of someone from the Bible.

Messy Camp had the campers getting muddy, soapy, wet, covered in paint and slime, and getting very messy each day. They learned that life can also be messy, and that God is there to help us when it is.

Evidence of Joy

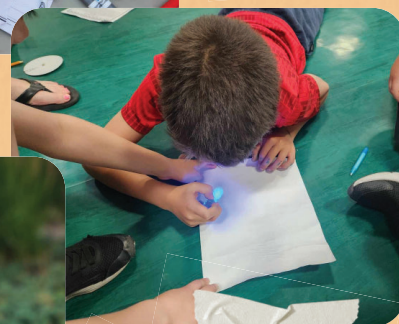


One camper, who attended Culinary Camp and who turned 12 shortly after that camp, chose to come back to camp for the following two weeks as a volunteer because he had so much fun!

Art Week



Mystery Week



Messy Week

AKA: Youth

If you have ever been part of a youth group, you probably have memories that will last a lifetime. Those are the fingerprints of God's work in your life, and that's exactly what continues to happen in the lives of students, leaders, and those we encounter through Student Ministries.



Whether it's Confirmation Class, scavenger hunts, student-led worship music, game nights, prayer time, or just sitting together and talking, we are creating moments and relationships that leave an imprint. Our volunteer adult leaders make it possible. "I volunteer with Student Ministries because my son asked me to. It's a blessing to be able to help him and other youth know that they are loved and to feel peace and have fun in a supportive and uplifting environment," Ryan Gunderson.

Witness Statements

This is the stuff that makes a difference. These are the relationships that imprint our lives with God's goodness and love. As Kyle, one of our high school students, said, "Youth group means the world to me because personally, the biggest component of growing up with a strong faith is to be part of a faith community. Youth group has provided me with faith mentors that I will never lose contact with, friends that I will never lose, and memories that I will cherish forever."

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Youth Group



Witness Statement

Kexia Nguyen (Student) "Youth group is a place to share laughter and joy and sometimes grief. No matter what, it is a safe place with amazing people that builds community in the Christian youth."

Connection and Hard Facts

- 100+ students involved in some way, 50 students have become deeply connected
- Continue to draw a diverse group of kids to our ministry
- 9 adult volunteers and two staff members
- 7 students completed Confirmation Class and 5 joined the church
- Middle School mission trip (Casper, WY)
- High School mission trip (Couer D'Alene, ID)
- Food for All: 300 meals assembled for needy families. We exceeded all collection goals!
- Partnered with UWFaith for a movie night and discussion about creation care
- We've become (and plan to continue to be) a safe place for all

Anderson Farms

Breakfast Club



More Witness Statements

Matt Ross (Adult Leader) "I volunteer with Student Ministries to bring God's love to young people who don't always grow up in a world that makes it obvious or socially acceptable to speak about. I hope God will work through me to show His love to our students and help them to better love others in their lives."

Cara Smith (Adult Leader) "I love volunteering with Student Ministries because it feels like home. It is one of the few places where I feel that I can fully be my authentic self. I hope and believe the youth feel that freedom too. This group has become family, as I have watched the youth teach, disciple, encourage, and care for each other. I have been blessed to help foster and be a part of that culture."

Movie Night with UWFaith



AKA: Small Groups

This has been an exciting year for Broomfield UMC Small Groups, and we celebrate the vitality and health of our congregation as Christ continues to inspire us and guide us forward.

Men's Theology on Tap



Homebuilders

More Witness Statements

Thomas Cross (Small Group Leader, Pastor) "The Summer Bible Study drew together 15 people from a wide variety of our Small Groups, and at least a couple of people who hadn't participated in groups before. The Holy Spirit was present and active in our experience on Monday nights. In all but two sessions, we broke out spontaneously in song, praising God together. Discussions on 1-2 Thessalonians brought some spirited debates, yet the tone of the discussions was warm and respectful. Old friendships were strengthened, new friendships were formed, and the members of the group felt the presence of God throughout the sessions."



Bryan O'Leary (Small Group Leader) "'Who's got it better than us? Nobody!' This phrase was a great conversation starter (at Men's Theology on Tap). I also enjoyed hearing from David Nelson on the music workshops in Ecuador."

Hard Facts

- 40 ongoing small groups
- 4 short-term series offered: Wesleyan Christian Discipleship, the Prophetic Tradition in Ancient Israel, the Enneagram Series, and the Women's Renewal Series: Seeking Wisdom
- 7+ families connecting at Family Night Group (new bi-weekly group for parents and children)

Witness Statements

Darren Duplechin (Small Group Leader) "Being able to share insights, encourage others in their faith journeys, and witness personal transformations is deeply rewarding. Additionally, creating a safe space for open discussions allows for diverse perspectives, enriching everyone's experience. Ultimately, it's about connecting with others and nurturing a shared sense of purpose and belonging."

Shelley Stanley (Small Group Leader) "The reasons are not stagnant but rather change over time and circumstances. There are selfish reasons, spiritual reasons, and then there is the driving reason for me, support of my church community. I cannot begin to explain how much my brothers and sisters in Christ have enriched my life. My connection to my church community is a profound and dynamic part of my life. Being a small group leader intertwines personal growth and community support. My brothers and sisters in Christ provide a sense of belonging and are a source of strength and enrichment. Having a community that provides prayerful support during tough times is invaluable. These are people I know I can count on in a time of need. I draw on their experience and wisdom."

Enneagram Series



Family Night Group



United Women in Faith (AKA: UWFaith)

United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so they can inspire, influence, and impact local and global communities.

- Approximately 100 members
- 5 different diverse groups meet regularly
- Continue to give their time and money to Broomfield Fish, A Precious Child, Hope House, Mirror Image Arts, and Broomfield UMC Youth
- In 2024, groups made: 250 feminine hygiene kits, 60 Linus blankets, 200 Easter baskets for Fish, May baskets for area shut-ins, and shoe box gifts for the senior community of Pine Ridge Reservation
- Support for families through the Family Mentoring Team, local immigrants, and The Refuge
- Offered a ministry of hospitality through 25 funeral receptions allowing grieving families a chance to share time together
- Hosted talks by representatives from The Refuge, CU Wesley Foundation, and Hope House
- Continue to participate in the UWFaith national reading program, encouraging members to learn more about where and what UWFaith can do to better the world
- Raised funds through cheese ball sales, fudge sales, and grocery store programs as well as member pledges



English as a Second Language (ESL)

Nine classes (beginner to advanced) offered each week during the school year at Broomfield UMC. The program is run by Kathy Case and taught by volunteers who work with a diverse group each year. Students from over 50 countries have come through the program at Broomfield UMC. A second language is not required to be a teacher, and anyone can help!

Creation Care Team

The Creation Care team continues to be active in seeking ways to improve our environmental sustainability practices and impact by using washable coffee cups on Sunday mornings, composting of church waste, trash pick up/beautification programs, and federal and state grant opportunities for installing more energy efficient equipment in the church's facilities. Some of these efforts have already begun while others are still in discussion and planning. Sunday mug washing volunteers are always welcome!



Equal Exchange

Equal Exchange is a Fair Trade organization that buys directly from small-scale farmer cooperatives, which are owned and run by the farmers themselves. We are now serving organic Fair Trade coffee for fellowship on Sundays, and we introduced a new display and sales cabinet, run by Rod and Myrna Prentice, in October for Equal Exchange products, allowing partners and friends to purchase organic Fair Trade coffee, tea, or chocolate bars whenever they need them, with a portion of the proceeds supporting the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).



AKA: Serving (Our Church, Our Community, and Beyond)

Safe Parking Volunteer Transition



Broomfield Pride Party in the Park Booth



Witness Statements

Larry K. (Greeter/Usher) "It is a great way to meet new people and connect with old friends. It is a way to make all people feel welcome. It also makes me feel like I'm helping the church grow and makes me feel more connected to our church. And you get to work with a great group of people! (Plus it gets me to church on Sundays!) LOL"

Barb H. (Hospitality) "Being part of the Sunday morning coffee and donut crew is such a gift! Laughing with friends, we warm up the dishwasher, set up hospitality in the Fellowship Hall, and try to keep everything replenished. The best part, however, is getting to meet and greet all the great people who come for coffee and donuts! I've made so many new friends!"

Mark W. (Greeter/Usher) "I like to be around people. I like to help people. I want all people to feel welcome at/going to our church no strings attached. I feel God has called me to extend His love to people - and it draws me closer to God."

All-Church Paddleboarding Day



Trails of Service

- Sunday volunteers: greeters and ushers (team of 8), prepare and serve communion (team of 16), and make sure our church is a welcoming place (team of 6 for hospitality)
- 190+ volunteers and 12 service projects for Serve Weekend, with five faith communities and the City and County of Broomfield
- 1,124 pounds of food for the Love Your Neighbor food drive in February supporting Broomfield FISH
- 19 attended the all-church ski day at Loveland in February and 21 attended the all-church paddleboard day in August
- 10 volunteers helped at the Hope House 5k Water Station
- Hosted a booth at Broomfield Pride Party in the Park
- 2 Vitalant blood drives during the year
- 400 backpacks for the July backpack drive supporting both A Precious Child and Joyful Journeys
- 5 organizations supported through giving trees and toy drives during the Christmas season
- Continued partnership with Colorado Safe Parking, providing safe spaces for individuals and families experiencing homelessness



Backpack Drive



Hope House 5k



Ellen J. (Safe Parking Volunteer) "Part of why I am called to serve God and the unhoused is a deeply personal story of some family friends. As a nurse, a wife, a mother, a grandmother, a friend, and a child of God, I have received many blessings. I enjoy listening to the stories of the people who touch my life. I endeavor to meet people where they are and treat them with understanding, kindness, and compassion. I hope to use my skills and knowledge to help all people feel valued and instill a sense of hope, even in the darkest of times. I am reminded each time I am used by God in service that it is the most fulfilling thing that I can do. He reminds me that I make a difference. He reminds me that providing Safe Parking for those living in their cars makes a difference for folks at their most vulnerable of times. I have learned every day from the people I am called to serve in God's ministry. It brings me great joy and a sense of fulfillment to walk with Jesus in giving to these folks in need. It is, after all, about them and not me."

Hard Facts

- 47 Worship Band Volunteers
- 15 Tech Volunteers
- 45 Grace Notes Choir Members
- 100 Attended Live It Loud and Sacred Sounds



AKA: Worship Music and So Much More

Witness Statements

Afton Dancey (Grace Notes Choir) "I have been singing in church choirs most of my life. I love being a part of a group of musicians and singers that praise the Lord with voice. It is a way of expressing my faith which not only brings meaning and joy to my personal worship experience but friendships in my faith community."

Tom Welborn (Contemporary Worship Band) "I get to play in the worship band at the contemporary services often at church. I love to be involved, because I feel it's a true gift that I can give back to a church that has given so much to me. It allows me to keep my musical brain while being around people that I love. Playing my trumpet in church is fun, it's appreciated, and it certainly fills my cup the week I play. I get to make awesome sounds with my friends, at an amazing church, and be a part of some very special services."

Pentecost Sunday



Easter Worship Livestream



For the cross that You bore
And the debt that You paid

More Evidence of Joy



Christmas Eve Worship Band

Christmas Cantata



Traditional Worship



Contemporary Worship



Worship attendance is healthy both in-person and online, and engagement in worship activities through our 9am and 11:15am worship services and community time events continues to thrive.

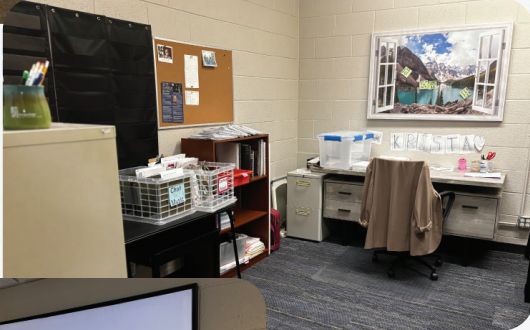
Volunteerism continues to be a strength in the Worship Arts ministry, sustaining Grace Notes Choir, the Worship Band, and our Tech Team weekly with outstanding diverse volunteer-led worship. More than 75 volunteers make up our Worship Arts community serving contemporary and traditional worship through roles in music and tech. The volunteers of the Worship Arts ministry shined through while stepping up in moments of need.

Live it Loud - an outdoor worship night with contemporary music - continues to grow in both participants and attendees, while Sacred Sounds - a concert of traditional and classical sacred music - continues to excel as yet another way for our community to worship and be together through music and art.

AKA: Behind the Scenes



Pipe Burst Repair



Choir Room Renovation



Recovered Email Communication

I am a member of the Tuesday Good News Bible Study group. We would like to give a grocery gift card to the grandmother that is raising her five grandchildren, she was mentioned in the 2023 Ministry Impact Report bottom of page 15 - Family Mentoring. Is it possible to get the grandmothers' name so we can personalize the card. We could send it to her or bring it to the church office. Please let me know who can help with this.

God Bless you, Michelle K.



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Pew Cards & QR Codes

Witness Statement

Ari Shaffer (Communications Volunteer) "When I do the research to create posts on social media, I learn more about our church mission, the Bible, and the message of Jesus. I feel inspired! It's also nice to connect with the community in this way - to share with one another how we are moved to be Jesus' hands and feet in the world."

Facilities – Just the Facts

- Installed new signage in the Chapel/Church Office interior entrance, "Love Like Jesus...No Strings Attached" (framed in a metal welded frame made with Lew Dukes' assistance)
- Replaced: Fellowship Hall reach-in freezer compressor and a power booster on the fire alarm
- New compressors were installed for the Family Life Center AC unit
- Sanctuary stage AC unit's squirrel cage and main control board/sensor were replaced
- Frozen pipes in the 200 wing - staff worked together to establish temporary classrooms for Apple Tree while the repairs were made by our facilities team
- Feedback about the tightness of the stalls in the women's Main Hall restroom led to reversing the doors, allowing them to swing open/out
- Renovated the Choir/Music Room, led by Carolyn Balmer (fresh coat of paint, new carpeting, and updated furniture)
- New auto-dispensing paper towel and new toilet paper dispensers installed throughout building
- For years we've had challenges with bats getting into the church. Volunteer Darrayl Cannon made bat houses that were installed along the roof line to give bats a better place to hang out.

Communications – Just the Facts

- 1,556 Facebook followers, 237 Instagram followers
- Paid reach: 26,895 through social media, 816,788 weekly online and print readers through the Broomfield Enterprise worship guide
- 5,801 TikTok engagements (launched in May)
- 2,100 hours of viewing on our YouTube channel with 534 subscribers and 9,100 total views
- Website: ongoing updates ensuring up-to-date ministry information while improving accessibility and optimization
- Video: creating content for social media by posting short video clips from Sunday worship (traditional and contemporary music segments, and message clips)
- Pew Cards - designed six cards for quick access to information providing the opportunity to engage our younger population with a Kid Card
- QR codes placed in pews for easy access to information
- Weekly newsletter emails have an average open rate of 46% with 937 recipients
- 642 new Broomfield households received welcome post cards

AKA: Financial Gifts and Paying the Bills

The 2024 Make An Impact campaign (Ripple Effect) resulted in commitments and recurring gifts of \$1,061,792 from 245 generous hearts. The congregation fulfilled 98% of gifts to the 2023 campaign.

2024 witnessed the fingerprints of the congregation blessing many ministries. Christmas Eve and Easter contributions contributed \$41,817 to CASA, Global Hope, 1 for 100, El Sambrador School – Ecuador, ESL, and Colorado Safe Parking Initiative.

Witness Statements

Fingerprints Heart Project

Sue West (Front Desk Volunteer)

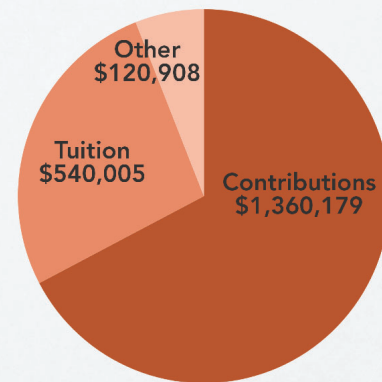
"I have enjoyed working at the Front Desk, because I love getting to meet and greet our church family when they come through on their way to various activities. I have enjoyed seeing what a joyful place our church is, and how well the staff interacts with each other. It's been so rewarding and fun to work on the Front Desk."

Janiece Baxter (Front Desk Volunteer) "I have enjoyed getting acquainted and interacting with our awesome staff, hearing the children laughing and playing during their school time, and assisting with projects, phone calls, envelope stuffing, etc. I have learned more about all the projects and places the church supports that are a benefit to individuals and to our community. It has been a joyful experience to be part of this."

Gwen Davidson (Front Desk Volunteer) "It is a way I can give back to the church - help the staff with mailings and special projects, be there to greet people that are coming for various meetings and events, and help comply with the safety rules in regard to Apple Tree."



Volunteers Helping with Campaign Project



2024 FINANCIALS

Projected January - December 2024

CONTRIBUTIONS

TUITION (APPLE TREE, VBS, SUMMER CAMPS)

OTHER

TOTAL REVENUE: \$2,021,092

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$2,115,525

NET INCOME (before depreciation): -\$94,433

Easter Offering Check Presentation to ESL



HOME: Where Love Thrives

- Ministry Council voted on November 7, 2023 to proceed with a 3-year capital campaign with a \$1,200,000.00 goal
- Planning Study was executed February – May 2024, public phase launched Sunday, July 7, 2024
- By Sunday, September 8, 2024, we celebrated during worship and at a picnic afterwards for exceeding our goal with a committed total at that time of \$1,248,540 to be paid over the 3-year period

- As of the printing of this report:
 - The committed total to date is \$1,270,692
 - Bids are being accepted to replace most of the roof and the Sanctuary carpet
- Darryl and Kitty Cannon helped design and build the plexi-houses used to display the capital campaign funding progress

so many acts of generosity



Plexi-house display

Stewardship

What's the "why"?

Lori M. (Hospitality Team) "Volunteer that's a strong word. It means giving, helping, caring, loving. If you want to connect - volunteer, your heart will grow, build connections, make friends. Be like Jesus and serve! It brings happiness!"

Kelle F. (Greeter/Usher) "I love volunteering here! It has allowed me to have a true church family. Through greeting/ushering I have developed great friendships with the hospitality team and gotten to know many members of the congregation. Volunteering has shown me how truly special Broomfield UMC is. I plan on doing even more once I can retire and have more free time available!"

Christine Vallen (Family Ministries Volunteer) "Why do I volunteer? Soul-filling joy! I serve because I love God and am thankful for what He has done for me. I have been granted salvation through the sacrifice of His Son, Jesus, and all I had to do was believe in and accept His sacrifice. Giving my time, energy, talent, and money is a small 'ask' for such a tremendous 'give.' I want to share His infinite love with others, particularly children, in a fun, sometimes wacky, way so they will begin to see the depths of His love for them."

Trails of Service

Lu Ann Harget (Front Desk Volunteer) "I believe that everyone who is able should give back something for the blessings they have received in this life. I choose to volunteer at the front desk to give back to the church."

Susan McDonough (Teacher Assistant, Apple Tree) "I am so grateful that I answered the *Indeed* ad for Apple Tree! The wonderfully warm teachers and delightful families make this school an amazing place to spend my days!"



Evidence of Joy

Haven Heimer (Student) "Youth group is a place where you can be you."

Sandy Gooch (Front Desk Volunteer) "I love my church and as I told Sirena one day, this is my happy place. To be more serious, it is nice to know that everyone coming into the church is greeted and welcomed. Also, to be able to talk to and refer those on the phone, who call with questions or concerns, to the right person. I think that is such an important part of the vision of our church that we are open and here for everyone. Greeting them with a hello and smile again reflects our church in the best way possible. It's also nice to see and visit some with the church staff, which I don't usually have the opportunity to do. I feel like I'm making a small contribution to someone's day."

Connection

Jeanne Henderson (Front Desk Volunteer) "When I first saw the request for help for the front desk, I thought - I can do that! I like to be a welcoming presence and help people find their way. After the first day or two working there, I absolutely loved meeting people and getting to know the staff. One of the real eye-openers was when ESL started up again. I admire the students and teachers so much! That takes a lot of courage on the part of the students, and a lot of patience and commitment from the teachers. I really like being a part of Broomfield UMC in this way and I thank you!"

Transformation

Doug Demmel (Small Group Leader) "We invite interaction from all participants, and since we all have different life experiences, each member provides different perspectives, many of which I would not have considered without their input. I lead a Small Group because I think we learn more about each other, our perspectives, and deepen our faith journey, if we connect and listen; and I enjoy encouraging this type of learning through my Small Group leadership."

Kirsten Graham (Adult Leader, Youth) "The reason I volunteer is because I've felt called to serve with the church, with children, and youth. I also enjoy watching the children grow up in the church and getting to know them and their families."

Scott H. (Hospitality Team) "It provides me comfort, guidance, inspiration, and fellowship. I enjoy helping enrich the fellowship experience each week by making sure the coffee urns are filled and ready for worshipers before, between, and after services. The people whom I have met, and the friendships that have resulted from those meetings, are special. I appreciate the opportunity to serve the congregation in this small way."



Cheryl De Roia (PDO Teacher, Apple Tree) "When I heard there was an opening for a teacher, I didn't even hesitate to jump at the chance to work with this special team! As a seasoned teacher, I have been in and around many different teaching teams. By far, Apple Tree has the BEST group of teachers and directors! With having such great community, as teachers, we are able to provide a loving, nurturing, and FUN classroom for our students. Apple Tree has the best group of kids; and to be a part of these kids' lives along with having such amazing co-workers leaves me feeling more blessed than I have been blessed in my entire life!"

Acts of the Heart

Global Hope India Mission

In February a team of five, led by Pastor Don, headed to Hyderabad and Palakollu, India as part of the Global Hope Mission Team, where they spent a week working with orphanages and children's homes so that children can find a safe place and an education. While there, they were able to present the check from our 2023 Christmas Offering. These funds are being used to build a new home for children.



Ecuador Praise Team Mission

In April, an Ecuador Praise Team led by David and Shari Nelson, including six individuals from Broomfield UMC and five from Highlands Church Denver, headed to Quito, Ecuador where they spent a week working with musicians in the region at the Vivan Las Alabanzas conference. They also visited children to share their musical and technological talents. "It was such a blessing to get to worship with and serve alongside the people of Ecuador." Nathan Heimer, Ecuador Praise Team member.



Middle School & High School Mission Trips

One way Student Ministries grows is through serving others. This year, in addition to the annual mission trip for high school students, we added a trip for middle school students. High schoolers went to Idaho to work with a kids' camp and do home repairs. Middle schoolers went to Wyoming where they helped with community gardens, senior living center residents, a food bank, and local trail work.

Hosting other Youth Groups at Broomfield UMC

We opened our doors in June and July to host two Youth Groups from other churches who utilized our facility during their mission trips to Colorado.



District Conference

In March, Broomfield UMC opened its building to host the annual Colorado Front Range District Conference of the Mountain Sky area.

Hard Facts

- 114 participants
- 9 hospitality volunteers helped with breakfast and lunch
- 10 staff assisted with preparing and staffing the event
- \$1,100 given to the Colorado Safe Parking Initiative through a special offering



Committee Members

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 Bob Ramirez

STATS

WORSHIP (weekly averages)

In-person: 346
 Online live and on-demand: 211
 Community Time: 116

OTHER STATS

Average weekly offering: \$25,659
 Number of annual donors: 611
 (130 New Donors)
 Average annual gift: \$4,300.48

Baptisms: 25
 Confirmations: 5
 New Partners: 31
 Life Celebrations: 25

Key: AKA = Also Known As

STAFF

PASTORS

Don Bird
 Lead Pastor

 Thomas Cross
 Pastor of Discipleship

CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES

Nathan Heimer
 Director of
 Connectional Ministries

FAMILY MINISTRIES

Vicki Cromarty
 Director of Family
 Ministries

 Olivia Stogner
 Family Ministries
 Assistant

Childcare

Kirsten Graham
 Haven Heimer
 Abby Nelson
 Audra Sieber
 Joanna Van Essen
 Hayden West
 Nick Whiteaker

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Mike Orr
 Director of Student
 Ministries
 and Tapestry

 Jackie Osborne
 Assistant Director of
 Student Ministries

WORSHIP ARTS

Taylor Martin
 Director of Worship Arts

 Stephen Bailey
 Production Coordinator

 Krista Beckman
 Choir Director

Anastasiia Pavlenko
 Organist/Pianist

OPERATIONS

Mindy Davidson
 Director of Operations

 Sandy Christopher
 Operations Assistant

 Aimee David
 Communications
 Coordinator

 Sirena Gilbert
 Ministry Assistant

Vonna Hafner
 Receptionist

FACILITIES

Bob Ramirez
 Facilities Manager

Facilities Assistants
 Evan Conti
 Ben Fulton
 Bryce Richards
 Landon Richards

**APPLE TREE CHRISTIAN
PRESCHOOL AND
KINDERGARTEN / CAMP
ADVENTURE BUDDIES**
 Sara Godwin
 Director

Mandy Bird
 Assistant Director and
 Threes Teacher

Teachers

Jessica Alley
 Donelle Daze
 JoDee Grenis
 Joanna Harper
 Erin Jeffries
 Cheryl LaVelle
 Stacy May
 Cathy Novak
 Bonnie Riley
 Heidi Siguaw
 Pamela Ward
 Krista Wiman

Assistant Teachers

Emily Barton
 Susan Colyn
 Gwen Hanson
 Susan McDonough
 Yuliia Sheremeta

AKA: Family

- We welcomed four new staff members in 2024: one church staff member and three Apple Tree staff members.
- At the annual staff retreat in August, we met at the Colorado Gives Foundation offices for some time of reflection, planning, and fun!
- Staff Parish Relations Committee honored staff who have served the church for ten- and five-years during worship throughout the year. Ten-year recognition: Jackie Osborne, Assistant Director of Student Ministries; Vonna Hafner, Receptionist; and Mindy Davidson, Director of Operations. Five-year recognition: Evan Conti, Facilities Assistant; and Sandy Christopher, Operations Assistant.



Staff Retreat



Apple Tree Teachers

Taylor & Krista
at Traditional
Worship



Team Building at Staff Retreat



Staff Recognition Lunch



Apple Tree Teachers

The staff continues to live into our Staff Covenant updated in August 2024:

Our Heart: Because God is love, our relationships embody grace. We honor the unique gifts and callings each brings as we serve the Church and our community with authenticity and joy.

Our Call: To cultivate places of belonging which invite people to experience Jesus and their unique role in God's big story.

Our Promise:

- Communicate with honesty, kindness, curiosity, and mutual respect to build and strengthen an environment of trust and safety.
- Connect out of a deep sense of care for ourselves and each other, collaborating as a team that values the heart of each person and strives towards mutual understanding.
- Create ministry together contributing our unique gifts and voices, offering flexibility, accountability, and deep listening in support of the team.



We are Broomfield UMC.
We embrace every person.
Your race, ethnicity, gender
expression, sexual/relational
orientation, socio-economic
background, age, religion,
body shape, size, and ability
are beautiful to us.
We want you here.



Easter Sunrise Worship



Baptism

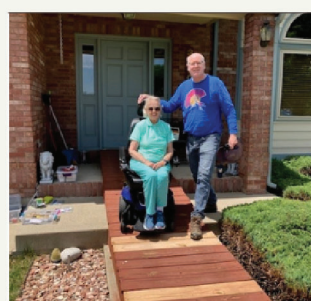


Christmas Eve
Worship



K-5 Sunday School

LOVE LIKE
JESUS
NO STRINGS ATTACHED



Senior Adult Ministry
Wheelchair Ramp Repair



Apple Tree Christian
Preschool & Kindergarten



Baptism



Advent Wreath Making during
Community Time



Students

so much
heart



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so many acts
of service

welcoming