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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dr. Greg Davis, Senior Pastor

He Couldn't Make it any Clearer Every Act of Love Makes a Difference.

To be human is to have wounds. Everyone has them, even Jesus. Remember Thomas and Jesus? We don't talk about those wounds much – they're distasteful.

We are vulnerable. We don't choose the time we die, or even when we were born. Everyone reading this didn't get to choose his or her parents. We don't get to choose our genetic makeup.

We are dependent. We are dependent upon the earth for air, water and food. We are dependent on others for love and acceptance. We are dependent upon God for everything.

We don't like being dependent. We spend our lives trying not to be dependent upon anyone or anything. Thus we dream about winning the sweepstakes or accumulating enough money, real estate, stocks and bonds to prove that we are independent.

Then along comes cancer, unemployment, divorce, kids on drugs or arthritis in your spine. Suddenly, you hope there is a God, and that God notices you.

So many things around us. One look at the "world" through the news media lets us know things aren't right. Why do we do such things to each other? Why is life unfair? Is it possible that we are not okay? What really matters?

Every act of love makes a difference. Every act of faith is important. Every act of forgiveness matters. Every prayer helps move us forward.

Repeatedly, in the Upper Room, Jesus issues the command: love one another as I have loved you. He couldn't make it any clearer.

Every Sunday when you come to church you are admitting your dependence. Every Sunday we pray and sing. We bow our heads and confess. We ask for help. We let God's Word touch our lives. We remember that we are God's. We remember that all things are possible, even finding strength in our vulnerability.

TRANSFORMATION PROCESS MEETINGS SCHEDULED

OUR HOSPITALITY TEAM | WEDNESDAY, April 17th | 5:30 PM, BRIDE'S ROOM

Fresh Perspective Renews *BOLD Faithful Commitment* *by Deborah Griffith*

Several Florida State University students who were with us in concert March 19th remarked to me about what a great choir room we had. Afterwards, I realized how guilty I am of taking for granted that we have such an updated and convenient facility to offer our guests. Adam can invite and feature other musical groups on occasion knowing that we have a space with the amenities to make their visit comfortable - we haven't always had that!

The renovations that began in 2008, have certainly played a role in enhancing our musical program for all ages.

This is one of the many reasons I support the **BOLD Faithful Campaign** to eliminate the debt by May 31, 2019. Not only were the FSU singers great voices to hear, but their complimentary way of seeing our church certainly renewed my commitment to help pay off this debt!

SAVE THE DATE! | VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) | JULY 8TH - 12TH | FOR AGES 4 - ENTERING 5TH



YOUTH MINISTRIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KYLE BOSTON AT [KYLE@BROADMOORUMC.ORG](mailto:kyle@broadmoorumc.org)

Real Talk

Let's get real for a second and talk about high school life.

The good, the bad, and the ugly! **Real Talk** provides a place where high school girls can meet together weekly to find strength and support from one another.

- ♦ Every Monday | 7:30 PM @ C.C.'s Coffee House on Youree Dr.
- ♦ Guided by Pastor Kelly Berne & Helen Wise

For those High School Girls looking for a place to share their experiences in a safe environment. If you have any specific questions, please reach out to Pastor Kelly, and she will be happy to get you filled in and signed up!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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TNT Registration 2019 | Going on Now!

Are you ready for some Terrific Tuesdays and Thrilling Thursdays this summer?

- ♦ Registration going on now for kids entering grades 1-6 in the fall 2019.
- ♦ TNT meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM and runs from June 4th through July 2nd.
- ♦ Kids will enjoy fun filled activities and a tasty lunch while they are here.

Space is limited, register NOW!



FISH FRY & EASTER FAMILY FUN DAY | April 14th, PALM SUNDAY

Join us Sunday, April 14th for a fun filled day of fellowship. We will kick off the festivities with a delicious Fish Fry and Bake Sale followed by an Egg Hunt.

- ♦ Our special guest, the Easter Bunny will be hiding eggs for our smallest friends: infant through grade 5.
- ♦ There will be crafts and activities for everyone.
- ♦ Tickets for the Fish Fry on sale now through April 10th: ADULTS \$10 and CHILDREN \$5. **(Since we are not Jesus ...can't multiply the fishies...please purchase your tickets NOW!)**
- ♦ Also, there will be a **Bake Sale** for dessert items!
- ♦ If you would like to find out how you can help with this event or need more information contact Kristin at kristin@broadmoorumc.org



8TH ANNUAL!

FRIDAY
APRIL 12TH



St. Jude Children's Hospital Trike-a-Thon Fundraiser

The Broadmoor UMC Day School is excited to host our 8th Annual St. Jude Trike-a-Thon on Friday, April 12.

Over the past seven years the Day School has raised almost \$20,000! Please be a part of our fundraising for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital by making a donation. You may visit the kiosk and find St. Jude under "Offering" or indicate that your check is for St. Jude.

HELP SUPPORT OUR MUSIC STAFF SERVING THE COMMUNITY!

Company by Stephen Sondheim

Marjorie Lyons Playhouse, Centenary College | April 6 @ 7:30pm, April 7 @ 2:30 PM
Adam Philley, Music Director

Requiem by Mozart

SB Community Choir First Baptist Church Shreveport | April 7 @ 7 PM
Adam Philley, Bass Soloist

St. Matthew Passion by Bach

Shreveport Symphony with Prisma Vocal Ensemble and Centenary College Choir First Baptist Church Shreveport
April 14 @ 3 PM

1940's Radio Hour

Northwestern State University, Theatre West | April 17-18, 23-27 @ 7:30 PM
Daniel Ley, Music Director

THE RIVER

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KELLY BERNE AT kelly@broadmoorumc.org



Lent in the River

Recently during Children's Moment in The River, our Children's Director asked a group of kids, "Who is your favorite superhero?" I anticipated hearing, "Superman" or "Batman" or even "Wonder Woman". Instead the responses were, "Jesus!" and "God!". Wow. What a beautiful reminder of how the Holy Spirit works among us. And what a beautiful testimony to our Children's Department.

In The River we have spent this Lenten Journey refocusing our call and commitment to following the greatest superhero of all, Jesus Christ. We are embracing what it means to be The Body of Christ, coming together for a common love of Jesus.

Excitement is growing, it is contagious, and we are anxious to share the Good News with the Broadmoor Community. The River is flowing through Broadmoor UMC and out the doors and into the Shreveport Community. We are knowing and growing in God's love together. Many of us are feeling equipped and empowered to go out into our community and share the Good News with the poor, the oppressed, the hungry, and the naked. We are not only discovering what it means to love our neighbor, we are living that truth out.

If you haven't attended a service in The River yet, you are missing out. The Holy Spirit is alive and well and flowing through The River.

Grace and Peace,

Rev. Kelly Berne

What does it take to become a hero? (CONTIUES)

- ♦ April 7th: Old, New, and Covenant
- ♦ April 14th: Life, Death, and Resurrection
- ♦ April 21st: Easter Sunday

**WHAT MAKES
A HERO?**



HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE UPDATE

by Whitney Gates

The Hospitality Committee has been working hard to make sure all of our visitors feel like anticipated guests in our home. In January we attended a workshop with Serena Eckert. She shared many ideas about creating a welcoming environment. The Hospitality Committee meets about twice a month to brainstorm and implement some of these new systems. You might have noticed the colorful maps now on each floor of our building. We are hoping to add a few more great pieces of signage to enhance our building and help our guests find their way. Soon we will be saying goodbye to our friendship pads and hello to connection cards. These handy cards will build better communication between guests and our congregation.

Speaking of connected, we would love for you to take a moment and visit our website. Is your Sunday School Class information up to date and accurate? If you see changes you would like to make please send your updates to either Laura Vaughan at laura@broadmoorumc.org or Rick Duet at rick@broadmoorumc.org.

We are also looking to improve our curb appeal. Do you or someone you know enjoy working outside? We need a few volunteers with a green thumb or green thumb aspirations to help maintain our flowerbeds. Please contact Laura if you are interested.

ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

by Kenny Beauvais

As part of the Transformation Process here at BUMC, we have a team called "Engagement". This team has been charged with setting the course and direction of outreach of our church into our community.

Now first of all, this is not to discount, discourage or dismantle ANY of our church's current Mission Activities, but instead to explore the community that we serve in the surrounding Broadmoor Neighborhood and the Shreveport Bossier area, and find how our church can be more engaged with our neighbors.

In order to do this in a logical way this team has identified 16 community leaders to be "interviewed" about their thoughts on what they view as the most pressing needs of our community and potential ways our church can address those issues and thus, improve life in our community.

We have developed a list of 8 key questions we will be taking to these leaders over the month of April. We will then gather to sort through this information and make recommendations of very specific programs that our church should consider.

Our hope will be that we can find a short list of high impact opportunities where every member of our church may participate.

Engagement, along with all the other teams working on transformation will help lead our church with new ideas in a comprehensive plan for our church to move forward, reach others in our community and make a positive, meaningful impact where we live.

THE RIVER

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

BUMC YOUTH
Good Friday Service
in the River

APRIL 19TH | NOON

RETURN TO ME
A Choral Service based on the Stations of the Cross
GOOD FRIDAY IN THE SANCTUARY
APRIL 19TH | 6 PM

**APRIL 2019****UNFINISHED OBJECTS (U.F.O.) | Saturday, April 6th, 10 AM in the BRIDE'S ROOM**

If you have an unfinished object that you are looking for time to work on such as cross-stitching, yo-yo quilting, embroidery, needlepoint, or bead work, join us on Saturday, April 6th at 10:00 in the Bride's Room. We have lots of good conversation as we enjoy a few goodies to snack on and make progress on our U.F.O's! Can't wait to see you and what you are working on.

MY FAVORITE THINGS WOMEN'S LUNCHEON | Sunday, April 7th, 12:15 - 2 p.m. in PEARCE HALL

Want to get to know other women at Broadmoor and make a difference for woman at the Rescue Mission?
"My Favorite Things" luncheon is this Sunday, April 7th from 12:15 - 2 PM in Pearce Hall.

This is a fun women's event! Buy three of one of your favorite things (\$5 or less each) to share. Examples might be - 3 - \$5 Starbucks cards if you like coffee; 3 - Cup cakes; 3 of your Favorite bubble bath. Mary Virginia Taylor is heading up our woman's luncheon and has asked several of our woman to decorate a table with their favorite things. As we enjoy a salad luncheon together, each person will share why their item is special to them and then draw two names of persons who will then get to take one home. The third item will be given to women at the Rescue Mission.

Lunch will be provided for \$5. Please RSVP to Laura Vaughan at laura@broadmoorumc.org or sign up at one of our Guest Service Centers.

MISSION TEAM | WEDNESDAY, April 10th, 5:30 PM, in the CONFERENCE ROOM**BOOK CHAT | The Red Tent by Anita Diamant | Led by Nancy Beauvais | 4th Thursday of each month from 5:30 - 7 p.m. in the Parlor | Begins April 25th**

Read and discuss a new book each month with friends. Chats are facilitated by Nancy Beauvais and are open to all.

GRACE COOKE CIRCLE SPONSORS JUVENILE JUSTICE INFORMATION MEETING | Monday April, 15th, 5:30 PM in the PARLOR

An informative meeting on juvenile justice will be presented by Muriel Burns, Assistant Director of Juvenile Services for Caddo Parish, in the Parlor on April 15th at 5:30 p.m. Restorative Justice is a social action area for United Methodist Women. The focus is on rehabilitation of offenders. All circles and interested people are invited to attend. Members of Grace Cooke Circle will take Ms. Burns out to eat after the program. All who wish to join the group are welcome.

MEMORIALS, & HONORARIUMS**BUILDING FUND | BOLD FAITHFUL CAMPAIGN IN MEMORY OF**

- ♦ Larry Hughes, from Stephen & Jeanne Best
- ♦ Max Fant, from Jim & Shirley White
- ♦ Hoyt Tompkins, from Upper Room Class, Dixey Robertson, Randall George, Velda McCormick
- ♦ Don Guler, from Claude & Jan Bookter, Jim & Shirley White
- ♦ Winnie Carey, from Tommy & Debbie Kerr, Rowena Jones, Claude & Jan Bookter, John & Jane Hubbard
- ♦ Lavon Smith, from Jim & Shirley White
- ♦ Peggy Robertson, from Claude & Jan Bookter
- ♦ Sharla Sanderson, from George & Ellen McGovern, Phyllis Guler, Claude & Jan Bookter, John & Jane Hubbard, Stephen & Jeanne Best

IN HONOR OF

- ♦ BUMC Staff, from Jim & Shirley White
- ♦ Upper Room Class, from Jim & Shirley White

WOMEN'S FUND**IN MEMORY OF**

- ♦ Winnie Carey, from Tom & Bonnie Daniel
- ♦ Sharla Sanderson, from Tim & Lynne Givens

PASSINGS**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:**

- ♦ Mary & Gerry Gary for his mother, Mary Olive Gary

