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BROADMOOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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DR. GREG DAVIS
Senior Pastor

For the willingness there is, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he or she does not have – II Corinthians 8:12

A seven year-old and his grandfather spend an entire afternoon in their front yard gathering pecans. "Bet I found more than you did, Papaw!" he said. Papaw winked and said, "That's just because you're closer to the ground." When they finished, they sat down on the shady porch. His grandfather slipped his hand in the bulging bag between them and pulled out two big pecans. He wrapped his big hand

around them and easily cracked them.

His grandson so wanted to help, but it took both hands to hold two pecans. He just couldn't crack them. "You can do it," he consoled. "Dig back in the bag for smaller pecans you can fit two of in your hand." When he found them, his Papaw showed him exactly how to hold the tiny pecans in his hand and squeeze until...CRACK!

"See," he winked again, "You did great. Now, you do the ones your size and I'll handle the rest."

His beloved grandfather's words stayed with him as he grew. When his load of college courses got to be more than he could manage, he heard those words, "Look in the bag for the smaller pecans that are more your size." So he dropped one class for a more manageable schedule. When he realized his social commitments were interfering with his studies, he heard those words again and cut back on going out with others.

And most importantly, he came to trust that in those times when his hands couldn't handle the "bigger nuts", God's could – and would. He learned the lesson that when problems arise, we simply do what we can do and entrust the rest to God.

Dr. Greg Davis

WELCOME TO THE BUMC FAMILY!

We are excited to announce our new Associate Pastor Kelly Bernel. Kelly will be joining us July 1, 2018.



Kelly shares the following:

I was born and raised in St. John's UMC in Baton Rouge. I married into the Air Force in 2003, and Gavin and I welcomed our first baby, Georgette, in 2004. Our little family found a home at Asbury United Methodist Church in Bossier City in 2005. In 2007 we welcomed our second child, George. By 2009 I was the Director of Children's Ministry at Asbury UMC and in 2011 I finally answered God's call. I received my MDiv from Iliff School of Theology in June of 2014. In 2016 we welcomed our third baby, James. We also have two fur babies, both rescue dogs, Bandit and Ninja.

I enjoy volunteering at our favorite local theater, Shreveport Little Theater, where I spend time assisting in the Junior Academy musicals. Georgette and George also have a passion for theater and are in several Academy musicals a year. I also enjoy singing in our church choir/praise band, reading, and painting. As a family, we enjoy playing board games, participating in missions, and worshipping our Lord and Savior.

We are excited about this new adventure and look forward to meeting our new church family!

FISH FRY THIS WEEKEND!

Enjoy a time of fellowship in Pearce Hall during our annual Fish Fry this Sunday, March 18th. Box lunches will be available for pick up at 10:45 in Anderson Hall Foyer, \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Tickets may be purchased Sunday at the Welcome desk or at the door. Fifth graders will also have bake goods available for your enjoyment. Proceeds from the Fish Fry and Bake Sale support

BROADMOOR UMC PRESENTS

THE WORLD BELOVED A BLUEGRASS MASS

SUNDAY, SIX O'CLOCK
MARCH 25 IN THE EVENING
SANCTUARY

A COMBINATION OF SACRED CLASSICAL CHORAL
TRADITION & THE SPARKLING DOWN HOME SOUND
OF BANJO, MANDOLIN & FIDDLE



Adam Philley
Director of Music Ministries

The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass

The concert is an annual concert, and part of the Festival Arts Series, taking place at 6pm, March 25th, Palm Sunday evening,

as a beginning to Holy Week. This year we have chosen to perform *The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass* by esteemed American composer, Carol Barnett. This piece is very unique in that it combines the formal latin choral mass with the country sounds of bluegrass music. The piece is accompanied by upright bass, banjo, guitar, mandolin and fiddle. Ms. Barnett states "My highest hope is that listeners coming from one tradition—classical or bluegrass—and perhaps

dubious about the other, might discover something new and wonderful in the combination, as I have.

Growing up in rural Louisiana, bluegrass was a part of my life from an early age. Continuing my education in choral music has shaped my career path.

This piece is an obvious fit for me as a conductor and has become a favorite of all who are participating. I know that you will find something both musically and spiritually that speaks to you. The librettist, Marisha Chamberlain, says: "In this is love, not that we loved God but that He loved us, says John in the Gospel, which launches our Bluegrass Mass as an earthy, immediate story of love between Creator and creation." As we begin Holy Week there is no greater time to remember this incredible love that has shaped the story of

Creation from the beginning of time and continues to shape our story even today.

Please join us March 25th at 6 pm, Palm Sunday evening as we begin Holy Week with this truly special concert

Adam Philley

Highland Blessing Dinner | March 22

Help serve a free weekly meal for the Highland Center Community.

Meet us at Broadmoor UMC in the parking lot at 4:30 pm or at the Highland Center (520 Olive Street) at 4:50 pm. Please wear your BUMC T-shirts.

Please leave belongings in your trunk. There is no place to store personal items.

For more information contact Sherry, sherry.thompsonb5@att.net

MEMORIALS

Building Fund

In memory of **Billie Sunshine Waller Allen** from Mr. & Mrs. Mark Sexton, Gary & Gay Gaskins

In memory of **Carla Bryant Barnes** from Nelson & Judie Bell, Gary & Gay Gaskins, Frances B. Howard, Mr. & Mrs. George McGovern, Ill

In memory of **Jack Bickham** from Juanita, Randy, Melinda, & John Bickham

In memory of **Inez Franz** from Joyce Jordan
Festival Arts Fund

In memory of **Gertrude Schenkck Mead Embree** from her family

Music Fund

In memory of **Joe Dowden** from Kay & Charles Allen

In memory of **Sharon Thomas** from Kay & Charles Allen

Missions Fund

In memory of **Rosemary Baldridge** from Dennis & Louella Garr Stovall & Family

Reserve Fund

In memory of **Gertrude Mead Schenck Embree** from Dr. & Mrs. Larry J. Embree

Our Sympathy To:

Our Christian sympathy to
Doris Butts in the unexpected death of her son;
Chris, on March 6th.

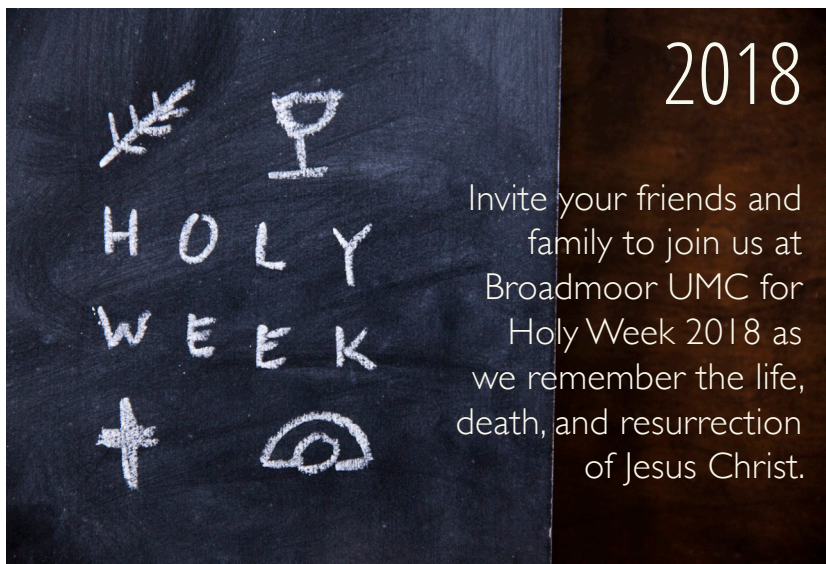
Our Christian sympathy to **Gene & Johnny Coody** in the death of Gene's sister, Alice C. French, who passed away March 8th in Monroe.

Our sympathy is extended to **Phillip and Mary Alice Templeton** in the passing of Phillips father, Austin Templeton, on March 13th

Shreveport District Lay Servant School

We are committed to inviting, nurturing, equipping, and serving to make Disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world. Broadmoor UMC supports nurturing and equipping Disciples by hosting the Shreveport District Lay Servant School. Twice a year, classes are held for laity to grow in leadership.

I invite you to prayerfully consider joining us this year on Friday April 13 from 5pm to 9 pm and Saturday April 14 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, to continue growing in faith and leadership. To register and ask additional questions contact Laura Vaughan at laura@broadmoorumc.org.



Palm Sunday | March 25

Join us at 8:30 & 11 am in Traditional worship in the sanctuary and 11 am for The River Contemporary Service in Anderson Gym.

Palm Sunday Night | March 25

Join us for this ground breaking piece at 6 pm in the Sanctuary. Read more about this extraordinary event on the opposite page.

Maunday Thursday | March 29

Join us for our Maundy Thursday service at 6 pm in the sanctuary as we remember the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Disciples.

Good Friday | March 30

Join us for our Youth led service. We will start at Noon in Anderson Hall.

Good Friday Memorial Service Remembering Children | March 30

God knows the pain on Good Friday. Families who have lost children are invited to come and worship on Friday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chapel of Rose Neath Funeral Home located at 1815 Marshall Street in Shreveport. Dr. Jack O'Dell will lead this service of hope. Each family will be invited to light a candle in memory of their child(ren). There is great hope in remembering.

Holy Saturday | March 31

Join us at 6 pm on the grassy corner of Anniston and Albany for a Holy Saturday Prayer Service. Once again we will let our prayers be counted as incense before God as we pray and place written prayer requests into a small fire. We hope to see you around the fire pit as we begin the long night together before Easter morning

Easter | April 1

Join us for Easter Sunday Services at 8:30 & 11 a.m. for Traditional worship in the sanctuary and 11 am in The River Contemporary Service in Anderson Gym. There will be a normal Sunday School Schedule on Easter!

Finding Our Way: A Silent Retreat with Paula D'Arcy

When the truth of Love breaks through into our every day lives, it's the beginning of a deeper journey. There is a growing sense of all that's beautiful and true. In the words of poet Jennifer Lynn-Woodruff: "If we cannot be faithful in the hours/ Between the joy and underneath the pain.../ We will miss grace which comes so soft and slow."

Join us for a silent retreat with Paula D'Arcy on September 13-16 at the Wesley Center. Cost is \$350 and includes lodging and meals. A non-refundable deposit of \$125 will reserve your spot with the remaining \$225 to be paid in August. This retreat fills up fast so if you are interested please sign up or let me know. Scholarships are available.

Something to Think About

Prayer by Charles de Foucauld:

"I abandon myself into your hands;
Do with me that you will.
Whatever you may do, I accept all.
I am ready for all, I accept all.

Let only your will be done in me
And in all your creatures.

I wish no more than this, O Lord.

Into your hands I commend my soul;
I offer it to you with all the love of my heart,
For I love you, Lord.

And so need to give myself into your hands,
Without reserve and with boundless confidence.
For you are my Father, Amen

Lenten Action: Pray this prayer every morning and open yourself to accepting God's will for your life.



**Broadmoor United Methodist
Children's Ministry**

Parent's Night Out | April 13

Parents this is your opportunity for a much needed break! Bring your kids Friday, April 13th from 5:30-8:30 for a fun filled night. Kids will enjoy dinner, organized activities and time with friends. Parent's Night Out is for children ages 3 months -5th grade. Registration begins March 25th, register early because space is limited. Questions or information contact Kristin at kristin@broadmoorumc.org

TNT | Summer Program

Can it really be time to start thinking about TNT? Our summer program, that meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-2:00, begins June 5th and runs through July 5th. This fun filled program is for kids entering grades 1-6 in the fall 2018. Registration forms will be available Tuesday, April 3rd. Make sure to pick yours up right away, last year TNT was almost full by the end of the first week! If you have questions or want more information contact Kristin at kristin@broadmoorumc.org

Vacation Bible School | July 9-12

Mark your calendars for this year's VBS, July 9-12. As we begin to prepare for this adventure, a donation/ volunteer station will be set up in the Fellowship Hall area beginning this Sunday. You will have the opportunity to pick how you would like to contribute to this community outreach. For more information about this exciting event please contact VBS Director Carrie Restel at carrie@broadmoorumc.org



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Generosity Corner

Sometimes it's amazing where you find generosity. In preparing my taxes, I happened upon a very generous benefit offered by the IRS. If you are retired and have a pension plan, 401K, or IRA, there is a provision within the code that will allow your church gift to be tax free. For example, a gift of \$10,000 would save approx. \$2000-\$2500 in taxes. Another major act of Generosity would be you and your family creating an endowment fund. They are typically set up to ensure that a specific ministry or program you love is always funded. The code allows a one-time gift up to \$400,000 tax free. These gifts would be made from your retirement plan directly to the church. As always please discuss with your CPA or Financial Advisor to arrange for these tax savings. There are many ways we can help with your long range planning for gifts to the church. Drop by the office and Terry Love would be happy to discuss these important subjects with you.

Jim Thompson
Generosity Committee

Anderson Hall A/C Nears Completion

The worn out Carrier chiller and condensing units in Anderson Hall that failed in 2016, requiring extensive costly repairs, have been replaced. Installation is complete and the system is expected to be running in the next week. The \$145,575 project was funded through donations from the congregation and 45% of the cost being paid by invested funds and earnings in BUMC accounts at the United Methodist Foundation of Louisiana. This is a worthy example of the importance of arranging now for the planned gifts from your estate that will accumulate into the future to support the-BUMC-of-tomorrow.

Please be intentional in including Broadmoor UMC in your will and estate planning. Contact Rev. Terry Love, terry@broadmoorumc.org, for more



Broadmoor Methodist Day School

The Day School will be hosting our 7th Annual St. Jude Trike-a-Thon on Friday, April 6. Over the past six years the Day School has raised over \$16,000 for St. Jude. If you would be interested in contributing, please make your check to St. Jude and put in an envelope to the Day School.



The Shreveport-Bossier Rescue Mission needs our help!

Last time we were able to provide 150 bags to the women at the mission. Broadmoor UMW hopes you will help us to continue our support of these women in our community.

Donation Needs:

- Body wash
- Shampoos
- Deodorant
- Aleve • Tums
- Shaving cream
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Cough Drops
- Elastic Hair Ties
- Toilet Paper
- Gas-X

Please bring your donations by Sunday, April 8. There will be collection baskets at the Welcome Center. If you have any questions, contact Hilda Holder at 318.349.3192.

Red Bag Sunday! | April 1

Items needed for Noel's Food Pantry:

- Canned Soup/Vegetables (15-16oz.)
- Bags of Apples
- Macaroni & Cheese, Rice-A-Roni, etc.
- Jiffy Cornbread Mix

Please bring these items to service April 1st.

Kids Hope Donations!

Arthur Circle has an urgent need of Crayons, Washable Markers and Colored Pencils.

Collection baskets are near the office and sanctuary.