

# The VISION

## NEWSLETTER

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### BUMC Service Day | Saturday, April 1

It's the Year of Service at Broadmoor UMC! Join us for our first Service Day of the year on Saturday, April 1, from 9:00-Noon. We will meet at the church at 9:00, then split into teams to work on a variety of projects including making gifts for home-bound church members, cleaning up the neighborhood, packing lunches for those in need, and working in a community garden. This is a family-friendly event! Please sign up online if you plan to attend: <http://www.broadmoorumc.org/new-events/2017/4/1/service-day>.



### John Rutter's Requiem | Sunday, April 9

On Sunday, April 9 (Palm Sunday) at 6:00 in the evening the Broadmoor UMC Chancel Choir and orchestra will present John Rutter's *Requiem*. As we begin Holy Week we are reminded of our mortality and the great sacrifice that God gave us in his son Jesus Christ which frees us from the finality of our death. Come and join us in worship as we sing some of the oldest prayers in our Christian history asking God for mercy, thanking him for his goodness and remembering those who have reached the church triumphant. This will be the Chancel Choir's home performance of the work as many of them will have performed the piece in Carnegie Hall in New York City in March.



### FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR

Dr. Greg Davis

### Choosing the Christian Life

There are always things that we "must" do – many responsibilities that we "must" fulfill. Noticing the kind of life I live and the life the people around me live, I notice that most of us have a heavy list of "musts." It ranges from taking the kids to preschool to presenting a proposal at work. These "musts" can become more and more stressful until we hit the breaking point and experience depression, addiction, divorce, etc.

Don Williamson says that stress depends on whether we have chosen the particular circumstances in which we live. Have we chosen to make the drive? Have we chosen the big mortgage? Have we chosen to have four kids? Have we chosen to whom we are married? Did we choose the "musts" of our lives, or were they forced on us?

Paul, in writing to the Romans, refers to himself as the bondservant of Jesus. A bondservant is a Jew who, having served his master the requisite seven years, chooses of his own free will to remain in service out of devotion. Paul refers to himself as the bondservant of Christ. Paul must serve Christ.

Paul's view is that we choose to live the Christian life because we choose love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, and faith, not because there is a hammer hanging over our heads – or because anyone forces us to. It is what we want to do. It is part of us. It is in our blood.

See you Sunday,

A handwritten signature of Greg.

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## Memorials & Honorariums

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### Building Fund

In memory of **Mae Bray** by Dr. & Mrs. William Wilder.

In memory of **Lt. Philip R. Jones** by Rowena Jones.

In memory of **Cherry Sue Lucky** by Curtis & Dianne Turner.

### Library Fund

In memory of **Inez Franz** by Joyce Jordan.

### Memorial Fund

In memory of **Mae Bray** by Brown Builders, Inc., Curtis & Dianne Turner, Anna Thayer, Craig & Kristie Kibby, Ruth Larson, Caroline & Robert McDonald, Mrs. Fay Cozort, and Sharon & Will Cozort.

### Special Projects

In memory of **Julia Edgar Beckett** by Curtis & Dianne Turner.

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## Words of Gratitude

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A great big thank you goes out to our congregation for their support of our fifth graders at the **Twisted Root** fundraiser on March 5. We raised \$750, and it was a good time of fellowship and great food!

Also, a big thank you to everyone who cooked, donated, ate, bid and had an all-around good time at **Burnt Offerings** on March 12. Our collected efforts raised over \$5,500 for missions! A special thanks to Diane Valentine for leading this event.



### Russia Mission Trip | June 17-28

As you may know, our church has been traveling to Ekaterinburg, Russia since 1991. Our 2017 summer delegation will be leaving on June 17 and returning June 28. Please contact James Gillespie at 470-6806 if you are interested in going with us. The cost of the trip will be approximately \$2,800. The focus of our time in Ekaterinburg will be assisting with Bible camp for children, leading adult Bible studies, preparing and delivering food baskets for crisis families and elderly church members, and joining in worship with our Russian hosts. We will spend a week in Ekaterinburg, a day and a half in St. Petersburg, and a half day in Moscow. This is an exciting and a great time to be a missionary in Russia.

# COMING SOON...

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### Chancel Choir New York Trip | March 17-21

Our Chancel Choir has been invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in a festival chorus with guest conductor Anton Armstrong from St. Olaf College! They will be in NYC from March 17-21 with the performance on March 20. This is a huge honor for them! Please keep this group of 40 BUMC members in your prayers as they embark on their adventure in The Big Apple.

### Honor a Loved One with Easter Flowers

Each year our congregation has an opportunity to honor loved ones by purchasing Easter flowers to adorn worship spaces on Easter Sunday. This year we are selling beautiful white Easter lilies. Flowers cost \$15 each. Order forms are available at the reception desk and Welcome Center. Payment can be made in the form of check or cash. Make sure to note on your order form if the flower is in honor or memory of a loved one. The plants in honor or memory of loved ones will be noted in the order of worship on Easter Sunday, and the flowers can be picked up after services. Deadline is April 9.

### Lenten Prayer in the Chapel | Wednesdays at Noon

The chapel will be open for personal Lenten prayer on Wednesdays from Noon to 1:00 p.m. during the season of Lent. All are welcome to stop by!

### Our Daily Bread Lenten Devotionals

If you would like to submit a Lenten devotional for BUMC's *Our Daily Bread* emails, please contact Laura Vaughan, Director of Discipleship, at [laura@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:laura@broadmoorumc.org).

### Creed by Adam Hamilton Lenten Chapel Class | Sundays during Lent

We're all searching. Sometimes the search is easy: simply type a question and the answer pops up. But sometimes our questions are complicated, and the answers are difficult to see and harder to articulate. How do we discover and examine the truths that give meaning and purpose to life? Adam Hamilton believes that some powerful answers are contained in the Apostles' Creed, an early statement of foundational Christian beliefs. The Searchers Class will host this study throughout Lent in the Chapel. Come explore what Christians believe, why they believe it and why it matters! Join any time.

### March Book Chat | Thursday, March 23

Read and discuss a new book each month with friends! Broadmoor Book Chats are facilitated by Nancy Beauvais on the 4th Thursday of the month from 5:30-7:00 in the parlor and open to all! On Thursday, March 23, we will discuss *America's First Daughter* by Stephanie Dray & Laura Kamoie. Upcoming selection for April is *Our Souls At Night* by Kent Haruf (April 27).

### Broadmoor Singers Recital | Sunday, March 26

On Sunday, March 26 at 2:00 in the afternoon the Festival Arts Series of Broadmoor UMC will present a recital of music performed by some of our very own vocalists. This concert will span the musical genres from classical to musical theatre. We are so blessed to have some of the most talented and trained vocalists in our region sharing their gifts weekly. Don't miss this opportunity to help support this wonderful program that allows us to continue to support great talent in the Shreveport/Bossier area as well as the opportunity to hear these singers "unleashed" from a typical choral setting.

### Wind Down Thursday | March 30

Join other young adult women on Thursday, March 30 at El Compadre at 5:30 p.m. For reservations or more info contact Amy Blackburn at [amyblackburn90@gmail.com](mailto:amyblackburn90@gmail.com).

### TNT Registration | Begins Monday, April 3

Can it really be time to start thinking about TNT? This summer program that meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-2:00 will take place June 6 through July 13. This fun-filled program is for kids entering grades 1-6 in the Fall 2017. Registration forms will be out at the Welcome Center and Reception Desk on Monday, April 3. Make sure to pick yours up right away, last year TNT was almost full by the end of the first week! Questions? Contact Children's Director Kristin Nelson at [kristin@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kristin@broadmoorumc.org).



## 2017 Holy Week Services

Invite your friends and family to join us at Broadmoor UMC for Holy Week 2017 as we remember the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

### Palm Sunday | April 9

Join us for Palm Sunday services at 8:30 & 11:00 in Traditional worship in the sanctuary and 11:00 in The River Contemporary Service in Anderson Gym. The Palm Sunday Fish Fry will follow Sunday School. Join us Palm Sunday evening at 6:00 in the sanctuary for the Chancel Choir's performance of John Rutter's *Requiem*.

### Maundy Thursday | April 13

Join us for our Maundy Thursday service at 6:00 in the sanctuary as we remember the Last Supper of Jesus Christ with the Disciples.

### Good Friday | April 14

Join us for our Good Friday service at noon in Anderson Gym, led by Broadmoor Youth and featuring the Youth Band and Celebration Singers Choir. New this year, Broadmoor UMC will also host a "Remembering Children" Good Friday Memorial Service at 6:00 p.m. at the Chapel of Rose Neath Funeral Home, located at 1815 Marshall Street in Shreveport, led by Dr. Jack O'Dell (more info below).

### Easter | Sunday, April 16

Join us for Easter Sunday services at 8:30 & 11:00 in Traditional worship in the sanctuary and 11:00 in The River Contemporary Service in Anderson Gym. There will be a normal Sunday School schedule on Easter!

## Palm Sunday Fish Fry & Bake Sale | Sunday, April 9

Join us on Sunday, April 9 for our annual church-wide Palm Sunday fish fry, a Children's Ministry fundraiser hosted by members of the Living Faith and Circle Sunday School classes. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, and the boxed lunches include fried catfish, French fries, hush puppies, coleslaw and drink. Meals can be picked up beginning at 10:45 in Anderson Hall foyer, and dine-in seating will be offered in Pearce Hall after the Sunday school hour. You may purchase tickets at the Welcome Center beginning Sunday, March 26, on the kiosks or online any time, or on Palm Sunday at the door. Our Children's Ministry will also be selling baked goods to raise money for summer activities, so come enjoy lunch and delicious baked goods while supporting our kids!

## Good Friday Memorial Service Remembering Children | Friday, April 14

*God Knows the Pain on Good Friday.* "The loss of a child is a pain that never goes away. Parents are not meant to bury their children. But remembering seems to be good medicine." This is what one family said after attending the Good Friday service and lighting a candle in memory of their child who had died years ago. On Good Friday, the Son of God died. God knows the pain and agony of the loss of a son.

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. M. Jack O'Dell will lead the service of hope. Each family will be invited to light a candle in memory of their child(ren).

Share this invitation with those whom you know have had a child die. It doesn't matter how long it has been since the child died, there is great hope in remembering!

## Glow-in-the-Dark Lock-In for Grades 3-5 | Friday, April 14

Our annual Glow-in-the-Dark Lock-In is Friday, April 14 at 6:00. Kids in grades 3-5 will enjoy a Lenten scavenger hunt, glow-in-the-dark games, food, fellowship and tons of fun. Fill out a registration card at the front desk or Welcome Center. Don't miss out on this unique opportunity! For more information contact Kristin Nelson at [kristin@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kristin@broadmoorumc.org).

## All Things New Women's Bible Study | Begins Wednesday, April 19

Join us for a Women's Bible Study on *All Things New: A Study on 2nd Corinthians* by Kelly Minter. Over 8 sessions, Kelly Minter will lead you through 2nd Corinthians, exploring the anchoring truths of bearing treasures in jars of clay, meeting Christ through a pressing thorn, opening wide your heart in the midst of hurtful relationships, and what it means to embrace the lost and lonely as ministers of the new covenant. This study will be led by Betty Hochstetler on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-7:00 beginning Wednesday, April 19. Cost is \$20. You may sign up at the kiosk or at the Welcome Center.

## Le Tour Des Jardins (Garden Tour) for Senior Adults | Sunday, May 7

Senior Adults are invited to join us on Sunday, May 7 for the *Le Tour des Jardins* Garden Tour hosted by the Northwest Louisiana Master Gardeners. We will meet at the church at 1:00, load up the church van, and enjoy the annual spring garden tour. This year's tour will take you through seven beautiful private gardens throughout Shreveport. You can sign up at the Welcome Center or by contacting Laura Vaughan at 318.861.0586 or [laura@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:laura@broadmoorumc.org). Cost is \$10, but the first 10 people to sign up will have their fee waived by a generous donor!

## Curriculum Resources Needed

We are working on updating our curriculum resources for our Adult Sunday School Classes and Small Group Studies. If you have any great curriculum that you would like to donate, we would love to have it! Also, if you have borrowed any from our resource room on the third floor and you are finished with it, please return it. We will be doing an inventory of all our curriculum so that we can share with you an updated list for your use. Thank you so much for your help with this. If you have questions, please contact Laura Vaughan at [laura@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:laura@broadmoorumc.org).

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## The Variety Show: Lip Sync Battle | Sunday, April 30

Join us at Broadmoor UMC on Sunday, April 30 at 5:00 p.m. in Anderson Gym for the annual Variety Show to support youth missions! Due to the overwhelming success and entertainment of last year's show, we have decided to have another epic Lip Sync Battle! You may have watched the popular TV show, but now it's your chance to hold the (turned off) microphone and shine. We are looking for groups to go above and beyond in terms of choreography and costume to make this night really special. At the end of the show, a champion will be crowned! If you or your Sunday School class would like to participate, please contact Brandon Winningham at [brandon@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:brandon@broadmoorumc.org).

Opting to be a spectator? This year there is no admission fee for the show! Instead, we are starting our annual **Stock Sale** immediately after the show, and we ask that our church family invest in our youth mission trips. Normally a student in the youth ministry will call you and ask for your donation, but this year we are giving you the opportunity to pay or pledge in person (if you can't make it to the show we will still give you a call). One share of stock is \$20 and you can purchase as many as you like. Remember, all the proceeds go directly toward funding our summer mission projects!



## Nacho Mama's 5k | Saturday, May 13

Broadmoor UMC will host a 5k run through the Broadmoor neighborhood this May in conjunction with Sportspectrum! Come celebrate Mother's Day Weekend at the "Nacho Mama's 5k" on Saturday, May 13 at 8:00 a.m. beginning in the church parking lot. It will be a fun way for us to honor the women who raised us, with all proceeds benefiting the Louisiana Methodist Children's Home. Runners will celebrate with nachos at the end of the race! Registration will open soon through Sportspectrum. There are several hospitality-related volunteer positions that we need to fill for the race! We are also looking for local businesses to be race sponsors. If you are interested in either of these opportunities, contact Rev. Peter Gaughan at [peter@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:peter@broadmoorumc.org).



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