

# THE MESSENGER

Inspiring People to **KNOW, GROW & GO** in God's Love!

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BROADMOOR UMC NEWS & HAPPENINGS!

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## BUMC Governance Board

*Amy Sudduth, Member*

December is such a joyful time of year! And this year at Broadmoor United Methodist Church, we have much to be joyful about. The Governance Board congratulates the congregation on retiring the debt for the building project. In 2015, our debt was 3.45 million dollars. Through the devotion of you, the members of our church, we paid off this debt in six years and ten months. What an outstanding accomplishment of God's faithful and generous servants! And while we don't know exactly how our finances will look in the general operating budget, the church will finish with a strong position again this year. We had a successful Stewardship Campaign to guide us in preparing a budget for next year that will allow us to continue our mission to Inspire People to Know, Grow and Go in God's Love!

We thank Kenny Beauvais, our Lay Leader, for representing BUMC at the recent cluster Charge Conference and sharing what Broadmoor has done during this past year as well as plans for the future. We are thankful for those who have served this past year and for those who will continue to or begin to serve in the coming year. Your Governance Board has worked hard to assist the staff in the many accomplishments shared throughout the year and to represent you, our church members.

While the past year has been difficult for all, we are grateful for things that help us to return to a sense of normalcy. One of those is Festival de Noël that we were able to enjoy again this year. Adam Phillely and the Chancel Choir provided us all with a "first gift" as we begin Advent. In the tradition of BUMC, I invite you to consider what "First Gift" you will give this year.

Our church is alive and we are happy to report that in many areas, including youth and children's ministries, God is still ever-present and growing within our youngest members. They have had an active year and seen growth, despite facing the many challenges that a pandemic creates. The Mission focus of the month has been very successful throughout the year. The month of December will allow us to share the love of God through many mission opportunities including The Angel Tree and Common Ground's Christmas Market, to name just a couple.

We want to take this time to tell all of the staff members at Broadmoor how much we appreciate them. The ministries here and the outreach to our community would not be possible without each of them. They have allowed their lights to shine brightly as even during a difficult year, they have reached out to many in our community. We on the Governance Board commend each staff member for a job well done in 2021!

May God bless each of you in this final month of 2021 and in the coming year! We know He has great things in store for Broadmoor and we thank each of you for your part in His plans. Merry Christmas!



### **You are invited to the Epiphany *CELEBRATE THE CHURCH LUNCHEON***

Sunday, January 9, noon, in Anderson Hall Gym to commemorate the members' and friends' completing the payment of the indebtedness of the church and reconnecting with one another.

**Please R.S.V.P on the Connect Card, call the church office at 861-0586, or email [office@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:office@broadmoorumc.org).**



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KRISTIN NELSON AT [KRISTIN@BROADMOORUMC.ORG](mailto:KRISTIN@BROADMOORUMC.ORG)

## CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Family  
**CHRISTMAS**  
movie



**The Star**

The Story of the First Christmas

Saturday, December 11th  
9:30 | Anderson Gym

Join us for a time with family and friends as we enjoy breakfast and a heartwarming movie about Jesus' birth.

RSVP  
[kristin@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kristin@broadmoorumc.org)



### Mark your calendars for **MARCH TO THE MANGER** **December 12th**

During the Sunday School hour in the sanctuary.

As we watch the story of Jesus' birth unfold, we will lift our voices and sing some of our favorite Christmas carols. Just as the Wise Men brought gifts to baby Jesus, we invite you to bring a unwrapped gift for Common Ground's Christmas Market. Items needed are new toys, clothes for all ages and household items. We hope to see everyone at this event as we celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

Thanks, *Kristin*



# YOUTH MINISTRIES

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

**Thank you to all who donated, volunteered, and allowed us to stop by for the Turkey Bowl! Our students had a blast!**



## Broadmoor United Methodist | *Missional Opportunities for Christmas 2021*

## Broadmoor United Methodist MISSION FOCUS

*Common Ground Community's*

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Suggestions for donations nothing over \$25  
\* everything must be new

\* Donations can be dropped off at Broadmoor UMC 3715 Youree Dr.  
Mondays-Fridays 8-5p

VOLUNTEER

- Help set up the Christmas Market--Friday, December 17. We will need volunteers to sort and price items.
- Serve as a volunteer shopper or help with the clean up on the day of the CHRISTMAS MARKET SATURDAY, DEC., 18. Several shifts are available. All Volunteers should contact us to schedule your shift!

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, OR WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT:**

**Sarah Shoup; sarah@commongroundshreveport.com; 337-842-1241**



### Jennifer Rothschild's Fresh Grounded Faith is coming back to Shreveport-Bossier!

Join us March 25th and 26th at Cypress Baptist Church for this life-giving women's event. Broadmoor UMC is a co-host church this year, which means you can buy tickets at a discounted price if you order through BUMC. We need at least twenty women from BUMC to order through BUMC to receive a discounted price of **\$44 per ticket**, so **DO NOT** order through the Fresh Grounded Faith website.

Please contact Bonnie Daniel at the welcome desk before Sanctuary worship to purchase your ticket, or pay through our kiosks at the welcome desks. You may also purchase on our website: [www.broadmoorumc.org](http://www.broadmoorumc.org) under the "Give" link. **Deadline to purchase is January 17th.**



### Pastor's Message

*Dr. Greg Davis, Senior Pastor*

Festival de Noel was just what the doctor ordered. Beautiful, inspiring music filled the sanctuary. People were so happy to be there, and many returned for the first time in a long time. It was a joyous and fitting beginning to the season of Advent, which will end with Christmas Eve. Thank you, Adam and Choir, for setting the stage.

By the time you read this, there will have been a charge conference held on Dec. 2nd. The purpose of it was to authorize the Trustees (in BUMC's case, the Governance Board) to vote at a future date on the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) bankruptcy settlement. The motion carried. The Governance Board will vote on the settlement as recommended by the conference legal team.

The attorney (called the Chancellor) counseling the Annual Conference of the UMC in Louisiana said each church that has had a Troop charter at any point in the past needed to take this vote to direct the Trustees (in BUMC's case, the Governance Board) to vote as representatives of each church. The BSA is facing lawsuits over past abuse claims, and there is a question of whether BSA's insurance covered chartering organizations. All of this legal maneuvering stems from this question. We should know more about this in January; at this point, all we can do is await news from the Chancellor.

# THE RIVER @ BROADMOOR UMC

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*Next Messenger December 16, 2021*

# Advent

*Christmas Eve*  
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE  
5PM & 7PM SANCTUARY  
3PM RIVER



We had a wonderfully successful kick off to the Advent season with our annual Festival de Noël! Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen. Stephanie Master and her team worked hard to get the space decorated and looking great. Mary Fisher and her team of ushers and Whitney Gates and the greeters helped make everyone feel welcome that evening. Nancy Beauvais and the Searchers Class provided a wonderful reception following the program. David O'Quinn and Micheal Johnston went above and beyond to help transition the sanctuary multiple times moving the pulpit and lectern and bringing chairs and stands and more things than any of us know about. Thank you to our wonderfully generous patrons who help make this happen every year. Thank you to the congregation's support of the music ministry and of this wonderful event. I look forward to Festival de Noël 2022!

Sincerely,

*Adam Philley*  
Director of Music Ministries



## FIRST GIFT of Advent Way to Honor the Christ Child

It has been a long-standing practice at Broadmoor United Methodist of requesting that members and participants give the FIRST GIFT of the Advent season to honor the Christ Child and celebrate all the hope He represents. These gifts are used to support the General Fund of the church.

The effects of COVID-19 have continued to impact participation levels of the church and the financial condition of the church. Though we have rebounded substantially from 2020, the fact remains that a shortage of revenue over expense does still exist for the year. This situation will require additional modification in the funding of the church for long-term stability and strength.

We have been extremely blessed through all the months since COVID-19 surfaced. We have been diligent in following the best information available to provide a safe place for worship and participation in activities at the church. We have been able to keep all our positions staffed and pay our expenses while reducing the debt significantly. We continue to pray for God's guidance and wisdom to offer the insight necessary for each of us to stay well.

Please consider your generous FIRST GIFT to Broadmoor United Methodist as we continue to honor the ministry and sacrifice of Christ Jesus as we seek to inspire people to Know, Grow and Go in God's love.

*Rev. Terry Love*



## MEMORIALS

### DAY SCHOOL FUND

#### IN MEMORY OF:

♦ *Susan Logan* from Glenda & Mike Turner

**SPECIAL**

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

BUMC Debt Remaining as of

\$ 0
11/24/21

WE DID IT!

BUMC is debt free!

Come to the Epiphany  
CELEBRATION OF THE CHURCH  
LUNCHEON  
Sunday, Jan. 9  
Noon  
in Anderson Hall  
COMMEMORATING  
*the Blessing of the Lord*  
on the occasion of  
members and friends of  
BUMC completing payment  
of the indebtedness  
of the church  
and reconnecting with one  
another.

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