

THE MESSENGER



Inspiring people to **KNOW, GROW & GO** in God's love!

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Pastor's Message

Dr. Greg Davis, Senior Pastor

I'll Never Run Out...

35 years ago, I penned my first missive about Easter. I wondered how I could continue saying something fresh about Holy Week and Easter, the dramatic climax of the 40 days of Lent.

What I've discovered is this: I'll never run out of things to say about it! After all, Holy Week is the heart of the Christian church year. It will always be a time to remember the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This remembrance strengthens our hope for eternal life, for our homecoming.

It will always be a time to observe. This is what we've done since Ash Wednesday: prepared ourselves for the coming of Easter.

But the emotions we must endure! There is the high of Palm Sunday's triumphal entry. The tension surrounding the cleansing of the Temple. The parables of the Wicked Tenants and the Wedding Banquet. Judas' plan of betrayal. It grows darker and darker.

Shining through it is Jesus' expectation that his followers serve others. He set the highest example, washing the disciples' feet even as Judas was plotting. Then, the agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

The arrest, the sham trial, the way of the cross...the crucifixion. Indeed, darkness literally covered the land.

After a quiet Saturday comes the miracle of the empty tomb. Christ rose from the dead. The power of resurrection and eternal life was revealed.

I will never grow weary of talking about resurrection. About God's so loving us that he gave us Jesus, and we who believe will not perish, but have eternal life.

This is the good news of the Gospel. Thanks be to God!



You Make the Difference!

Rev. Terry Love, Administrative Pastor

It has been so impressive how you have stepped up in the last year to see that the ministry of Broadmoor UMC has continued to be relevant to the community around us. Gifts you have given have fed people through the Souper Saturday outreach, the Caddo Council of Aging, the Northwest Louisiana Food Bank, and the Noel Neighborhood Ministries. Families have been touched through the Layette Ministry as they bring new babies into the world. You have assisted Common Ground to strengthen the community. You have provided a wonderful place of worship and opportunities for online worship to reach beyond the walls to those who have need to worship at home. You have provided encouragement to the staff and teachers of the Broadmoor STEM School

Because of you Broadmoor UMC is able to provide the opportunities to inspire people to know, grow and go in God's love!
Thank You!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KRISTIN NELSON AT KRISTIN@BROADMOORUMC.ORG

This Sunday

Join your church family for an Easter Celebration Sunday, March 28th | 4:30 - 6:30 PM

It will be a special evening full of food, fun, and fellowship.

The evening will kick off at 4:30 with an *Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt* around town. For those staying at the church, we will have the *Stations of the Cross* set up for you to experience.

For our preschool and younger friends, we will provide a bag full of *Easter activities*. Our traditional *Palm Sunday Fish Fry* will begin at 5:30.

Dinner is \$10/person.

During dinner we will auction off the beautiful paintings that our very own Anne Michelle Erwin painted for our Lent River services.

Please make a reservation on your connect card or by contacting the church office. For more information kristin@broadmoorumc.org.



TNT 2021

June 1st - July 1st

**HAVE SOME TERRIFIC TUESDAYS
AND THRILLING THURSDAYS THIS
SUMMER!**

Registration for this exciting program begins March 21st.

TNT is for children entering 1st-5th grades in the fall of 2021. We meet from 9:30 AM - 2 PM and will enjoy an activity and lunch while here.



YOUTH MINISTRIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KYLE BOSTON AT KYLE@BROADMOORUMC.ORG



Confirmation Sunday is April 25th!

Please join us as we celebrate this year's Confirmation Class as they are Confirmed during the 11 AM Traditional and River Services!



Senior Sunday Slideshow

Senior Sunday will be held this year on Sunday, May 2nd.

We are looking to have a slideshow of all our graduating Seniors to play during the services. Any Senior wanting to be included in this year's slideshow should submit 5-7 photos to rick@broadmoorumc.org or kyle@broadmoorumc.org by April 18th.



This Summer's Mission Trip

For this Summer's Senior High mission trip, we are providing a mission trip here within our Shreveport City limits!

It is an exciting opportunity to partner with several local non-profits to help us understand the amazing work being done within our own community! If you are interested in more information, please email kyle@broadmoorumc.org and receive an application!



Pastor's Message

Rev. Kelly Berne, Executive Pastor

Digital Church FAQ's

Why start a Digital Church?

There is a growing number of people who are spiritual but have no religious affiliation. This same group of people have no interest in joining a religious organization. According to Religion & Ethics Newsweekly, a study done 2018 showed that four in 10 young adults are not affiliated with a religious organization. This is four times what it was in the 1980's. So, the question before us is, "How do we reach new people who have no interest in stepping inside a church building?" We believe that offering a Digital Church is an opportunity to reach new people the places they feel comfortable.

How will this multiply disciples?

Through the use of social platforms, we have the opportunity to share the Good News with the world. Our prayers are this opportunity allows us to reach new people through Online Worship, Vlogs (video blogs), and Podcasts. Our goal is to create an online community that is engaged and inspired to know God's love, grow in God's love, and then go out in their community and share God's love with others.

Will this take away from our in-person attendance?

No, those who attend in person do so because they are committed to being part of a local community that meets in a building. With our Digital Church, we are trying to reach new people who may or may not be part of our local community.

Will this replace our current live-streaming options?

No, we understand that there are those who want to be in-person but can't for various reasons. Our live streaming is meant for those who wish to be in the building worshipping with us are not able to on that particular day and live streaming allows them to still feel connected to their church and place of worship.

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We have created an Amazon Prime Wish List ([BROADMOOR UMC DIGITAL CHURCH WISHLIST](#)) for your convenience. You can also donate directly to the church on our website at broadmoorumc.org/give - click on START HERE, enter the amount you wish to donate, click on NEXT and choose the DIGITAL CHURCH FUNDRAISER Fund.

If you are interested in getting involved with this new ministry or have more questions, please email me at kelly@broadmoorumc.org.

Grace and Peace,
Rev. Kelly Berne



You can participate in this year's interactive Stations of the Cross beginning on Sunday, March 28th at 4:30 PM!

Stay afterwards for the Palm Sunday fish fry! You can also come by and walk the Stations of the Cross throughout Holy Week during office hours (3/29 - 4/2). Make sure to call the office so that a staff member can give you your Stations of the Cross packet that will guide you through the experience. The last opportunity to walk the interactive stations is Good Friday evening (April 2nd) after the 6 PM service.

We hope this experience will bring you closer to the cross and round out your Lenten experience.

Easter Lilies - In Honor or In Memory of your loved one.

PRICE: \$15/PER | DEADLINE TO ORDER: MARCH 28TH | ALL PROCEEDS GO TO MISSIONS

Pick up cards at the church or call the church office to order at 318.861.0586

Flowers may be picked up after the 11 AM Easter Sunday Services.



RED BAG SUNDAY

Take a RED bag, fill it with items listed below & bring it to church on the FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH.

We will deliver it to the Noel Food Pantry!

APRIL 4, 2021

Items Needed...

- Small bars of SOAP
- Small tubes of TOOTHPASTE
- TOOTHBRUSHES
- Small btls of SHAMPOO
- Small btls of CONDITIONER
- Small btls of HAND LOTION
- Small DEODORANT
- NO MOUTHWASH

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Next Messenger April 8, 2021



The **Chancel Choir** will begin resuming short rehearsals from 6:30 - 7 PM on Wednesdays, for once a month participation in worship for the next few months.

If you'd like to participate, please let Adam (adam@broadmoorumc.org) know. All participants must remain masked and social distancing will be observed. This is open to all people regardless of music ability!

PATHWAYS

(Women's devotional & fellowship)
Mondays @ 10:30 - 11:30 AM / The Parlor
Led by Kathy Ward

Is there someone you know who needs encouragement? Are you afraid to "get involved," worried you might do or say the wrong thing?

Join us as we study *Treasures of Encouragement* by Sharon W. Betters. Sharon offers inspiring stories, key principles and specific examples of how to build up each other - and the church as a whole. She explains how the freedom that springs up from a secure identity in Christ can enable you to reach others around you.

PATHWAYS

MEMORIALS

BUILDING FUND IN MEMORY OF

- ♦ **Jim Collier** from Jay Sawyer
- ♦ **Doris Greene** from Mai L. Doles, David & JoNell Blakey
- ♦ **Allen Doughty** from Janell Bullard

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GENERAL FUND IN HONORARIUM OF

- ♦ **Greg & Cynthia Davis** from Jan Milner

PASSINGS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- ♦ Family of Dorothy "Janie" Scruggs
- ♦ **Steve Lindsey** for his aunt, Donnis Lindsey DeLoach

The "Circle" Sunday School Class

THE "CIRCLE" has resumed meeting on Sundays @ 9:45 AM for gathering, 10 AM for class in room #303. THE CIRCLE is open to anyone & everyone. Come join us as we lift each other up and dive deeper into God's word.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

- ♦ **TEXT-TO-GIVE** | Text 'GIVEBUMC' followed by the amount you wish to give to 877-570-3715
- ♦ **BUMC WEBSITE** | broadmoorumc.org/give
- ♦ **DIRECT DEPOSIT** | Call office at 318-861-0586 & talk to Rev. Terry Love or click on Direct Deposit Form, fill out the PDF form & mail to BUMC
- ♦ **SNAIL MAIL** | Mail to: BUMC, 3715 Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105