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Pastor's Message

Dr. Wybra Price, Senior Pastor

Living Easter Every day

We at Broadmoor UMC, Shreveport began Easter Sunday by singing "Christ the Lord is Risen Today." Many churches of all denominations begin worship with Charles Wesley's lyrics, wonderfully celebrating how Jesus' resurrection is God's victory over death and calls us to tell the world. Charles and John Wesley, two of the historic founders of The United Methodist Church, published the beloved hymn in their first hymnal, *Hymns and Sacred Poems* in 1739.

Wesley writes about the Resurrection in the present tense, inviting us into the biblical narrative. As we sing, we easily picture ourselves standing among the witnesses of the empty tomb on that first Easter morning.

*"Christ the Lord is ris'n to day,"
Sons of men and angels say,
Raise your joys and triumphs high,
Sing ye heav'ns, and earth reply."*

Participating in this moment, we are also aware of the magnitude of the Resurrection. In this opening verse, Wesley introduces a theme that runs through the hymn. The Resurrection is celebrated both on earth and in heaven. Our *United Methodist Hymnal* includes an edit to the second line. "Earth and heaven in chorus say" replaces "Sons of men and angels say." According to United Methodist Discipleship Ministries, this change updates Wesley's language to be gender inclusive and emphasizes the Resurrection's impact throughout the world and beyond.

"The entire universe sings the triumphant chorus," writes United Methodist scholar the Rev. Paul Chilcote in *The Song Forever New: Lent and Easter with Charles Wesley*, "with earth and heaven shouting their praise back and forth in ecstatic joy."

"We experience so many little deaths in our lives," Chilcote states in the podcast interview. Some are literal deaths like the loss of a loved one, but we also experience other griefs. Relationships end. Jobs are lost. "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" proclaims that Jesus has conquered all those deaths. "The central message of our faith," Chilcote concludes, "is the Cross and the Resurrection. Its earliest proclamation of a God who is in the business of raising us from the dead. Oh, if that isn't good news, I don't know what good news is."

When we gathered for worship on Easter Sunday and sang "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today," we celebrated Jesus' resurrection, God's good news that life conquers death. As disciples in the world today, we must raise our joys and triumphs high to invite others to join us in this new way of living every day.

Sharing the Easter journey,

Sources: Chilcote, Paul Wesley. *The Song Forever New: Lent and Easter with Charles Wesley*. New York: Morehouse, 2009.

Wesley, Charles. "Hymn for Easter-Day." *Hymns and Sacred Poems*. London: Strahan, 1739. p. 209-211. Accessed through The Center for Studies in the Wesleyan Tradition, Duke Divinity School.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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



Let the Good Times Roll this summer with TNT!

Join us for some explosive fun this summer during TNT! This fun-filled program is for kids entering 1st-5th grades in the fall of 2023. TNT meets Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the month of June from 9:30-2:00. Registration is now open until all spots are full.

Krewe leaders needed! Are you looking for a fun summer job?

For more information contact Kristin in the church office at 318-861-0586 or kristin@broadmoorumc.org.

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Join us Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the month of June; beginning June 6th–June 29th. Fall Registration is open as well. Fall Buddies will begin Tuesday, September 5th. To confirm your registration for the fall, please return the registration form along with the non-refundable registration fee of \$100.00 per child.

For more information contact Shelby at shelby@broadmoorumc.org.



YOUTH MINISTRIES

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



Senior Sunday Slideshow

Senior Sunday will be held this year on Sunday, May 7th. 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 kelsi@broadmoorumc.org or kyle@broadmoorumc.org by April 26th.



NEW SERMON SERIES:

BUILDING BLOCKS

AN AFTER EASTER SERIES

Stories of the early church teach us the fundamentals of faith. What commitments are foundational to our Christian identity? We believe in what we cannot see, experience the resurrected Christ, learn to share in community, ask questions as we grow in faith, draw connections for those with other beliefs, draw strength from shared prayer, and value all who are part of the body of Christ.

MISSION UPDATES

EXCITING NEWS!



We will be partnering with Northwest VOA with their Community In-School program and the Lighthouse program at Broadmoor Stem Academy, beginning next fall.

CIS is very much like our Kids Hope program but with significant support for the children and their families. The Lighthouse program is an after school program from 4:00 to 5:00 and is in **desperate need of volunteers for April and May** if any of you can help. The Missions committee is thrilled to begin serving the children in our community again next fall and more information will be coming in the next few months.

Please contact me, Jan Bookter, at janbook@aol.com or 318-834-3358 if you need more information.



reminder

Reminder: Our next Missions Team meeting is Tuesday, April 18th at 6 pm. We meet at the round table in the Fellowship Area.



**April Mission Update:
Nanah Chito UMC Roof
Panel Fundraiser**

**Collection total as of
4/11/2023: \$2200**

Our current project is to help replace the roofs on their three buildings. We are looking to raise **\$5000**. You will have the opportunity to purchase panels for \$50 each in honor or memory of a loved one. Please visit one of our mission tables located outside of the Sanctuary Worship and River Worship areas.

Checks can be made payable to BUMC-roof panels or online at www.broadmoorumc/give and adding "Roof Panels" in the memo section.



Denim, Diamonds & Divas



Cupcakes and coffee are the tidbits to enjoy.

Calling all *Denim & Diamond Divas*; No reason to be coy.

Darlin' Divas need to hurry and do not slow down your gait. The revelry is planned for **Saturday, April 22nd** the party date.

From 2:30-4:00 my lovely friends are invited to attend. The annual *Cupcakes for a Cause* that is just around the bend.

All are invited to sashay to Robin Merkle's Manor. To celebrate friendship, bling and sparkle, with lots of banter. 7717 Creswell Road, No. 18 in my subdivision near Spring Lake.

The valet will be on call so there's no parking mistake.

Feel free to bring a gal pal or precious granddaughter or two.

It will be so exciting to see friends both old and new.

Wear the snazziest denim and diamonds so you'll be all a glitter.

**Nothing for you to bring except a happy heart that's a twitter.*

**Donations of clothes detergent pods will be collected for The Salvation Army Homeless Shelter. No need to RSVP/Questions? Text 318-751-2511 for more information.*



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IN MEMORY OF:

- ♦ *Mary Ann Breedlove* from Lounelle Black

MUSIC

IN MEMORY OF:

- ♦ *Charlene Dowden* from Charles & Kay Allen

GENERAL

IN MEMORY OF:

- ♦ *Curtis Turner* from Tim & Lynne Givens, Sherry Thompson
- ♦ *Charlene Dowden* from John & Jane Hubbard

FESTIVAL DE NOEL

IN MEMORY OF:

- ♦ *Curtis Turner* from Deborah Griffith, John & Jane Hubbard

RESERVE

IN MEMORY OF:

- ♦ *Curtis Turner* from Sylvia & Kenneth Turner, Bonnie C. Vos, Patrick & Pat McWilliams, Ann Spikes, Audrey & Jack Zahm, Anita & Carl Wilkinson, Kitty Jo & Charles Boyd, Joyce Jordan, Phyllis Guler, Lauren Vanderkuy
- ♦ *Hank Anderson* from Sharon Gardner & Family, Minou & George Fritze
- ♦ *Cres Gardner* from the Gardner Family & Sharon Gardner
- ♦ *Charlene Dowden* from Kirk & Amanda LaVigne

HONORARIUM

RESERVE

IN HONOR OF:

- ♦ *Rev. Terry Love*, in his retirement, from Dale & Ann Cathcart

LIBRARY

IN HONOR OF:

- ♦ *Curtis Turner* from Sue Thomson



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