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### Pastor's Message

*Dr. Greg Davis, Senior Pastor*

## BUMC REOPENING GUIDELINES (pg. 1 & 2)

So many BUMC groups have learned new ways of being together. More accurately, "virtually" together through the Internet. I am grateful for the Holy Spirit's guidance as I've seen new doors open and new church experiences in this wilderness time. Now, as wonderful and creative as these avenues are, it's time to get serious about restarting Sunday mornings at the church. That is not to say we are immediately returning to our "regularly scheduled" Sunday morning schedule. We will cautiously restart one step at a time.

Dr. Greg Davis

### UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, THE FOLLOWING WILL NOT BE HELD:

COMMUNION  
WEE WORSHIP  
COFFEE BAR/FELLOWSHIP AREA FOOD SERVICE  
ALL OTHER ON-SITE CHURCH/OUTSIDE GROUP MEETINGS  
VALET PARKING

NURSERY  
CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL  
ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL  
BIBLE STUDIES

With us moving into Phase 1 on May 15, 2020 we are hoping to move into Phase 2 on June 5, 2020. With this timeline, BUMC will begin in-house worship again on June 7, 2020. We will update these guidelines, if needed, on June 1, 2020.

### STARTING JUNE 7, 2020, BUMC WILL OFFER THREE WORSHIP SERVICES:

- ♦ 8:30 a.m. Sanctuary Worship for our at risk population
- ♦ 11:00 am Sanctuary Worship
- ♦ 11:00 am River Worship in Anderson Hall (\*Please use Anniston Ave entrance)

\*To minimize the usage of multiple door handles and people walking in our ELC area, we will be using the Anniston Ave entrance for The River worship services until further notice.

As soon as allowable by government standards, we will further increase building access and on-site ministries.

### SUNDAY MORNING IN-HOUSE WORSHIP SERVICES:

The exterior doors will be open for you to walk through. There will be hand-sanitizing stations available. Always observe proper social distancing (6 feet apart!). This includes hallways, open areas, and where you sit for worship. Before returning to worship, please ask yourself these \*questions:

- ♦ Have I been diagnosed with the COVID 19 virus in the last 14 days?
- ♦ Has anyone in my household or close contacts been diagnosed with the COVID 19 virus in the last 14 days?
- ♦ Do I have a cough?
- ♦ Have I experienced any of the following: chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, and new loss of taste or smell?
- ♦ Do I currently have, or have I run a fever in the last 24 hours?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, it is recommended that you not attend in-house worship. \*Questions will also be posted on the outside doors leading into Sanctuary and The River Worship Areas.

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*BUMC Reopening Guidelines from Page 1*

#### **IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES LAID OUT BY THE BISHOP AND CONFERENCE TASK FORCE,**

- ◆ Until further notice, it is highly recommended that masks must be worn by everyone entering the building. If you need a mask, the church will provide one on Sunday mornings.
- ◆ Until further notice all hymnals, Bibles, and papers will be removed from pews. Bulletins will not be handed out. We will continue to provide a virtual bulletin that you can access from your phone.
- ◆ We will continue to offer a Children's Moment, however we ask the children to stay seated with their family.
- ◆ Congregational singing and choir practices will be suspended until further notice
- ◆ Offering plates will not be passed from person to person. There will be a designated area for you to drop off your offering. If you need an envelope for your offering you will need to bring one from home.
- ◆ All participants are encouraged to consider the use of online methods of giving through [BroadmoorUMC.org](http://BroadmoorUMC.org), or direct deposit from their bank.

#### **CHURCH OFFICE:**

Your BUMC staff have been working during the interruption, some at the office, some remotely. We will continue to monitor the safety of our staff working on campus, encouraging telework whenever possible and feasible. We will also continue to support our staff members who fall into the vulnerable population and request they continue to shelter in place.

If you need to speak to a staff member you are encouraged to make an appointment, call the church office, or send an email. PHONE: 318.861.0586 EMAIL: [office@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:office@broadmoorumc.org)

Pastors will not be visiting hospitals or senior care facilities until allowed to do so by the facilities. However, we want to pray for you, so please contact us via phone or email.

As always, if you need pastoral care or prayer, call the church day or night and we'll respond during business hours, or email [greg@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:greg@broadmoorumc.org) or [kelly@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kelly@broadmoorumc.org)

#### **SMALL GROUPS:**

Children, youth, and adult classes and activities will continue online until further notice. It is safer and more manageable for us to hold off on in-person groups at this time. However, we will continue to evaluate this decision as each step of reopening unfolds.

#### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES:**

##### **Things we will not have until further notice:**

ACOLYTES

JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR

WEE WORSHIP

Summer Buddies and TnT have been cancelled for the summer of 2020 out of concern for the health and safety for our children, staff and volunteers.

VBS is scheduled for July 6-10 but may look a little different than years past. We will continue updating information.

Children's Sunday School lessons will continue to be emailed each week as well as videoed lessons being posted to Facebook on the Broadmoor Children's Ministry page

#### **YOUTH MINISTRIES:**

##### **Weekly Sunday school will still be offered via Zoom.**

Planned summer mission trips have been canceled. This is not to say that there will not be mission opportunities available!

Contact Kyle Boston at [kyle@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kyle@broadmoorumc.org) for more information about other events being planned.

Check out the Broadmoor United Methodist Youth Facebook page for even more ways for your student to engage with Broadmoor!

#### **CHOIR:**

There will be no choir or in-person choir rehearsal until further notice.

#### **FAITHFUL GIVING IN DARK TIMES TAKES COURAGE. THANKS FOR SUCH COURAGEOUS GENEROSITY TO BUMC!**

- ◆ Text GIVEBUMC to 877-570-3715
- ◆ Our website link: [broadmoorumc.org/give](http://broadmoorumc.org/give)
- ◆ Direct Deposit - Call office 318.861.0586 & talk to Rev. Terry Love
- ◆ Snail mail to: BUMC, 3715 Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

### Broadmoor Buddies a program full of smiles, laughter and hugs...

In 1979 after living in Houston for four years, my husband Dale and I returned to Shreveport and Broadmoor United Methodist Church with our two young sons. Our children had participated in a Mother's Day Out program there in Houston but MDO was a new concept here in Shreveport. Dr. Ed Thomas, senior pastor at the time, thought a Mothers' Day Out program would be a great mission for our church and asked if I would be interested in developing the program for our young mothers. In September of 1980, Broadmoor Buddies, a Mother's Day Out program, became a reality. Over the years countless children have been a part of the Buddies program. Some of those same children who are now young adults have returned to bring their own children to be part of this amazing program.

This September there will be a new director of Broadmoor Buddies as I will be retiring. I am thankful for Dr. Thomas' vision all those years ago, thankful to BUMC for the love and support given through the years and thankful for the many families who have entrusted the care of their children to Broadmoor Buddies. The smiles, laughter and hugs brought to Buddies every Tuesday and Thursday are what has made this job fun and rewarding.

With much love and appreciation,

*Anne Cathcart*



Anne Cathcart has served as the Director of our Broadmoor Buddies, Mother Day Out program for 40 years. As she retires, we want to celebrate her hard work, dedication and love for the Buddies program. We will have a reception to honor Anne as soon as it is deemed safe for us to fellowship together. In the meantime, I ask if you have/had a child in Buddies to think about what the program means/meant to you and your child so we can share that appreciation with Anne on her special day. I look forward to celebrating Anne with you. *Kristin*



### Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School

All aboard for a mountain of fun during our Rocky Railway VBS. Our conductors are hard at work planning this faith-filled adventure where kids learn trusting Jesus will pull them through all of life's ups and downs. Save the date for the week of July 6th for VBS will be happening in some sort of fashion. Be on the lookout for more information in the weeks to come as we continue to monitor the current Covid-19 situation. We appreciate your continued prayers. If you have any questions please email me [kristin@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kristin@broadmoorumc.org)



## YOUTH MINISTRIES

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

### SENIOR PARADE

*As we continue to embrace a new normal, we are looking at offering one more senior celebration for our graduated seniors!*

We are inviting each senior parent to set up in a parking spot in the lot. We will then have youth parents, Sunday school teachers, church members, Etc. drive by to drop off gifts, say a quick hi, congratulations, and be on their way!

I want you to think back to your senior graduation experience-many of this year's seniors will not have that same experience. Please consider helping us to celebrate our seniors, even if it's just with a drive-by, wave, or honk!

**WITH THIS IN MIND, I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE WILL BE HOSTING A SENIOR PARADE, SUNDAY, MAY 31ST AT 4 PM!**

### Weekly Schedule

- ◆ SUNDAY | join us for Sunday School via Zoom!
- ◆ MONDAY | a video from Kyle around different scriptures and topics
- ◆ TUESDAY | a video outlining five things a student can try if they're bored or looking for something new to do this week
- ◆ WEDNESDAY | a challenge, such as a scavenger hunt or photo recreation using materials in your house
- ◆ THURSDAY | a scripture suggestion and questions in case you want to go deeper.
- ◆ FRIDAY | parent email about the upcoming week.

## THE RIVER WORSHIP

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### Pastor's Message

*Rev. Kelly Davis, Executive Pastor*

## Holding the Tension

"so that there won't be division in the body and so the parts might have mutual concern for each other. <sup>26</sup> If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part gets the glory, all the parts celebrate with it. <sup>27</sup> You are the body of Christ and parts of each other."

1 Corinthians 12:25-27

I was recently challenged to look into a mirror and note what I saw. I discovered that when I looked into the mirror, I saw a mixture of contradictions and opposites.

- ◆ I saw a face that has smiled with joy and a face that has wept with grief
- ◆ I saw a face that has been prideful and a face that has been humbled
- ◆ I saw a face that has been real and authentic and a face that has hidden behind a mask
- ◆ I saw a face that has been open and receptive and a face that has been closed and hardened
- ◆ I saw a face that has offered peace and a face that has caused conflict
- ◆ I saw a face that has made good and wise choices and a face full of regrets
- ◆ I saw a face that have been loving and a face that has been hurtful

That is just a start, but hopefully it gives you an idea of how a mirror can reflect the human condition. A mirror can show us our lives to be a study of contradictions and opposites. It can also be a reflection of our current lives and situations.

I have recently found myself in a unique position. I suppose one could say it is a balancing act as we try to weigh public health with the desire to reopen churches. Our normal has been interrupted and we lament not being able to gather and worship "as normal". As the church we are all called to seek the needs of one another. As God's people, we are called to see one another as He sees us. And as the church, we should do all we can to make everyone feel as if they belong.

Your leadership, myself included, have missed seeing you, missed worshipping under one roof with you, and have missed our social gatherings. In the next couple of weeks, your will be working to bring you worship in an era of uncertainty and pandemic. This is unique situation for all of us and we ask that now, more than ever, we continue to be gracious and forgiving. May the wisdom of God, the love of Jesus, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit continue to be on our hearts and minds as we move forward.

*Grace and Peace...*

## MEMORIALS

### BUILDING FUND

#### IN MEMORY OF

- ◆ **John & Jane Porter** from Anne Cathcart, Carol McKenzie, Mark Porter

### MUSIC FUND

#### IN MEMORY OF

- ◆ **Jo Anne Molnar** from Omer & Jackie Nettles
- ◆ **Elaine Camp** from Omer & Jackie Nettles
- ◆ **Charlsie Alexander** from Charles & Kay Allen

### GENERAL FUND

#### IN MEMORY OF

- ◆ **Jackie Rigby** from Mary Ann Webb
- ◆ **Ann Vise** from Gladys Finch
- ◆ **Charlsie Alexander** from Beverley Thurmon

## HONORARIUMS

### MUSIC FUND

#### IN HONOR OF

- ◆ **Adam Philley & Dan Ley** from Tom & Carolyn Murphy
- ◆ **Kay Allen** from Sylvia Macpheat

## PASSINGS



### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:

- ◆ Bill Patten for Patsy Patten