

Governance Board Message

Kenny Beauvais, Member

The Louisiana Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church met in person June 14-17, in Baton Rouge, LA for the first time since 2019. This gathering is a time of worship, celebration and work for all the churches in Louisiana. Your church was represented by our Clergy: *Greg Davis, Kelly Byrne and Megan Twyman, along with our lay delegates, Allison Wray, Hilda Holder and Shirley White.* I attended as an at-large representative from the Shreveport District. I also serve as chair of the Council on Finance and Administration, more commonly known as CFA.

The in-person gathering was a joyous event allowing friends and colleagues to gather together for the work of the church in our conference. The theme of the conference was "Inspire" and delegates were encouraged by Bishop Cynthia Fierro Harvey to "be on fire" with the spirit. She preached that "we are a connected body bound together in a connectional covenant in which we support and hold each other accountable for faithful discipleship and mission." This theme was in all aspects of the conference, and I would encourage you to view portions of it, especially the episcopal address by Bishop Harvey which can be found at this link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GztNXIsOIMI&t=3592s

The Louisiana Conference works on behalf of all our churches in an administrative, financial, emergency response and clergy support role in order to function as this "connected body bound together in a connectional covenant in which we support and hold each other accountable for faithful discipleship and mission." I am pleased to report to you that CFA has strengthened our financial position to help us establish good financial reserves and, just prior to annual conference, to return over \$362,000 to local churches due to our strengthened position.

We worshiped together at the Memorial Service held at "Broadmoor United Methodist Church – Baton Rouge". We celebrated through the service of ordination of clergy at First United Methodist Church of Baton Rouge. The services and the music were "Inspirational" to everyone.

Following the passage of this petition for disaffiliation, Bishop Harvey led the entire conference in this poignant prayer.:

The church is a family, united by the common recognition of Jesus Christ as our savior, we are brothers and sisters. Like every human family, the church family is formed and re-formed over time: as members are born, as they die as members are adopted into the family, and as they leave for a new home in a different place. For a time, the people (of these churches) have shared with each other good times and bad, have shared each other's joys and sorrows, have lightened each other's heavy loads. Oh God, you are the strength and the protector of your people. We humbly place in your hands the people of these churches who leave us. Keep and preserve them Lord, in health and safety, for both the body and the soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. God ,and the peace of Christ, with our prayers go with you. Amen.

As a member of the connected body of Christ, please keep our Annual Conference, the United Methodist Church and BUMC in your prayers.



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JOB OPENING AT BUMC DAY SCHOOL



The Day School has an opening for a teacher.

If you or someone you know would be interested, please email Rebecca Hodge at <u>rebecca@</u> broadmoor.umc.org for more information.



YOUTH MINISTRIES

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



If you would like to learn more about what your giving allows us to do, we would invite you to join us during the Sunday School hour in the chapel on August 31st.

We will have several students there to talk about their youth experiences, from mission trip to UMY and beyond!

We hope to see you there!





The youth will once again be participating in a BUMY Stock Sale!

Church members are invited to purchase "stock shares" in our summer projects, like our Kansas City Mission Trip, 2022 Mystery Trip, and Youth Week.

By purchasing \$20 shares of stock in our youth ministry, church members have the opportunity to not only invest in our projects, but enable youth to be involved that otherwise could not afford to go! We will be outside of both Traditional and River Services starting July 24th-31st.

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KIDS HOPE

Your mission's team is collecting school supplies the month of July. Studies have shown that starting the school year with the necessary school supplies promotes learning, boosts self-esteem, and helps keep kids in school. Your donations help teachers and students with the supplies they need to succeed in the upcoming school year. You can find a list of needed supplies as well as a collection box by the Sanctuary and Office Welcome desks.



- SAVE THE DATE -SEP 30 - OCT 2 STIRRED UP!

Join us for our Stirred Up Church Retreat Friday, Sep 30th - Sunday, Oct 2nd at Jimmie Davis State Park located in Chatham, Louisiana.

This weekend is all about reconnecting with one another in the beautiful outdoors. The Group Camp is surrounded by Caney Lake and offers plenty of opportunities for fun and fellowship throughout the weekend.

Registration opens June 12th. Cost is \$150 per room, each room has 2 bunk beds and space for an air mattress/cot if needed. Cost includes room and meals for the weekend for up to 5 people. Space is limited so reserve your spot early.

For more information contact Kristin or Kyle in the office.







Sunday, July 24 8:00a to 2:00p Pearce Hall

For more information contact: Leah Raley (318) 861-0586 or Philip Maxfield (318) 935-9838





Our Super Seniors are going on another trip!

Meet at the church on July 25th at 10:30 am for a trip to Holiday Lanes for an hour of bowling and lunch at the Striker's Cafe.

We will return by 2pm. The fee to attend is \$10. Bring money for lunch. Please sign up on your connect card, email office@broadmoorumc.org, or call the office by July 20th to reserve your spot.



MEMORIALS

RESERVE FUND IN MEMORY OF:

- Jean Princehouse from Walter & Suzanne Hunter, Alice & Bob Schwendimann
- ◆ **Bobby Gilliam** from Martha & Tony Anderson

MUSIC FUND IN MEMORY OF:

◆ Dick Davenport from Bonnie & Lyndahl

July Sermon Series

God has done so much for us. Join us starting July 10th as we dive into the Gospel of Luke to discover what God asks of us in return.





In the Image of Our Generous God 🤏

I have drawn attention before to the Christian profession that we are made in the image of God who is loving and generous. I suggest that this can be a challenging truth for us to embrace. The reality the saying begs is that because we are born in the image of a loving and giving God, we too are to be generous with what we have and who we are.

It seems that right now the world needs our demonstration of this truth in a desperate way. Its anxious people need a task force of God imaged souls to give leadership and direction as there is so much disillusionment, frustration and divisiveness that stands between us and God's will for the children of God's creation.

There are so many ways we can give back to God to promote and sustain God's grace in God's image. It starts with small gifts of ourselves to those most close to us and then it stretches as far as we have the courage to share it.

My hope is you will give consideration to how you have been made in the image of our generous God, and with whom you can reflect that image today.

Blessings and peace! Rev. Terry Love

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