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BROADMOOR UMC NEWS & HAPPENINGS!

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Pastor's Message *Dr. Greg Davis, Senior Pastor*

DOES THE CORONAVIRUS MEAN THAT JESUS IS COMING BACK SOON?

Actually, the Bible tells us we have been living in the last days ever since Jesus came into our world. Hebrews 1:1-2 reads, **"Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son."** This means the last days began when God sent Jesus into the world. This means we have been living in the last days for the past two thousand years!

But Jesus also spoke about the signs that would point to his return. In Matthew 24 we read of wars and famines and plagues and natural disasters—Jesus says they are all signs pointing towards Christ's return.

Jesus said these signs are like birth pains. Well, what do we know about birth pains? At first, they are less severe and more spaced apart. But as the time gets nearer, they grow closer together and more intense. So, we can expect that as the time for Christ's return draws nearer, these signs will become more frequent and intense. So events like the coronavirus and wars and earthquakes and hurricanes – all could be pointing us towards Christ's return.

Will Christ return soon? We don't know. The birth pains may be more frequent and severe. It's necessary to remember that for **"the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day."** What is soon for the Lord may still be far away for us.

Look, the biblical message is this: be ready. Walk the walk. That is far more important than knowing for sure when Christ will return.

Your Missions Team THANKS YOU!

Our July and August School Supply drive was a HUGE success! We collected over 1000 packs and boxes of school supplies for Broadmoor STEM. Many thanks to Jan Bookter, Lynne Givens, and Debbie Noone for getting it sorted, counted, and delivered.

On top of delivering school supplies, we also provided breakfast grab 'n go bags for the teachers. We are so thankful for all of our volunteers!

Rev. Kelly Berne



Broadmoor Youth Parents!

Mask Update Response

Please keep in mind that per the State mask mandate, we will be requiring masks inside while present at Broadmoor. We will have extra masks available just in case anyone does not have one. See you Sunday for Sunday School!

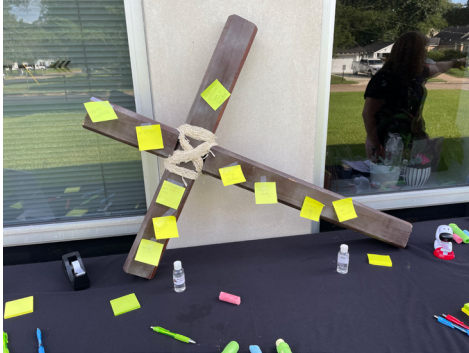


CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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

Our Children and Youth Ministries gathered together Sunday to pray for the 2021-2022 school year.

Please be in prayer for our students, teachers, and schools throughout this year.



Broadmoor Methodist Day School



The Day School still has openings for the 5-day and the 3-day three year old Preschool classes. School will begin September 1. For more information, please contact Rebecca Hodge, Director of the Day School.

You can email Rebecca at rebecca@broadmoorumc.org.



YOUTH MINISTRIES

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

BREAKFAST CLUB MEETS BACK SEPT. 1ST

Our Breakfast Club small group is back! Current High School students are welcome to join us from **7-7:50ish** on Wednesdays during the school year at the Whataburger on Kings Highway. We will start on **Wednesday, September 1st.**

SEE YOU THERE!



GRAND GATHERING 2021
 AUGUST 29TH, 5-7 PM
 PARENT MEETING AT 4:30 PM

**FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND OR TWO!
 THERE SHOULD BE SOMETHING FUN FOR EVERYONE.
 SEE YOU THERE!**

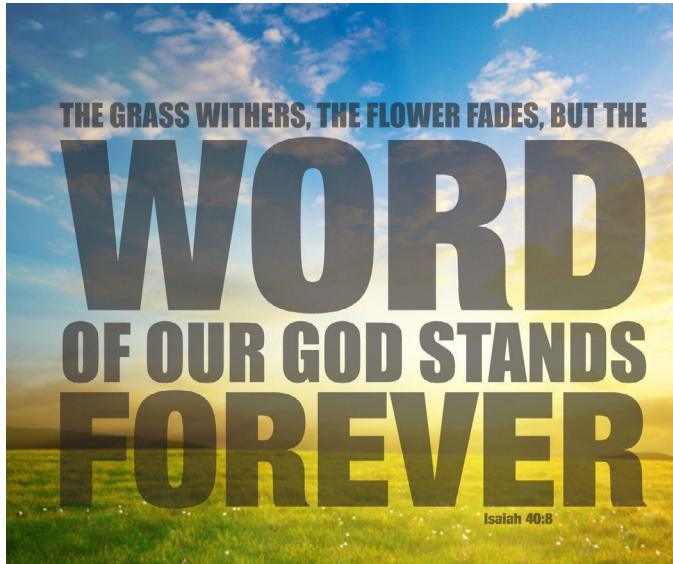
Grand Gathering 2021

This year's Grand Gathering will take place outside to ensure social distance!

We will have a color war, foam slip and slide, tie dying options, and more! There will be a parent meeting at 4:30 pm, followed by the event from 5-7:00 pm. If you would like more information, or are interested in volunteering for that night please reach out to Kyle at kyle@broadmoorumc.org OR call the church office.



Broadmoor United Methodist Youth



BROADMOOR STEM ITEMS NEEDED

- PENCILS
- PENCIL SHARPENERS WITH CONTAINER
- HIGHLIGHTERS DRY
- ERASE MARKERS (ANY COLOR)
- LOOSE LEAF PAPER
- WIDE RULED PAPER
- 24 COUNT CRAYONS
- 8 LARGE SIZE CRAYONS
- COLORED PENCILS
- WASHABLE MARKERS (PRIMARY COLORS)
- COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS
- FOLDERS WITH BRADS AND POCKETS
- 5 SUBJECT NOTEBOOKS
- 3 RING BINDER (2 INCH SIZE)
- LARGE AND SMALL GLUE STICKS
- 12 INCH RULERS
- PINK ERASERS
- COLORED CONSTRUCTION PAPER / NO PADS
- INDEX CARDS
- FISKAR SCISSORS (SMALL, BLUNT AND SHARP TIPS)
- ZIPPER POUCHES FOR SUPPLIES
- POST IT NOTES
- LARGE KLEENEX BOXES
- PAPER TOWELS
- DISINFECTANT WIPES



A Lesson in Being Enthusiastic

Rev. Terry Love, Administrative Pastor

Generous Spirit; Peaceful Soul

In my streaming episode last Thursday at noon, I drew attention to the last half of the Prayer of St. Francis as a way to help direct our energies to a more generous and peaceful place. It is a petition to God.

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love.

The request is for an unselfish spirit to not be personally consoled, understood, and loved until one is first a holy agent of Christ to console others, understand others, and to love others. Often it is difficult for us to do the things we think are really good ideas; we don't seem to be able to carry out our best intentions.

One writer A.J. Jacobs makes this suggestion – ***Fake it to you feel it. Force yourself to do what seems to be a good idea though you are not yet convinced.*** His conclusion, it is easier to act your way into a new way of thinking than it is to think yourself into a new way of acting.

Have you ever overcome your reluctance to start a new endeavor that you had contemplated for years, with a single step and then a second step, and then more, and first thing you know the undertaking becomes second nature to you? And, you say, why have I been so unwilling to give of myself.

I find many people who go to help at a homeless shelter or soup kitchen and come away with a whole new way of thinking about the need for their service and about those who are served.

The Prayer of St. Francis confirms for us the outcome of our efforts to live unselfishly.

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Free your reluctance to be a willing instrument of God's peace and enjoy the generous spirit God has for you.

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all of me
and ev'ry need
With Your love
I've in You is
enough.

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Next Messenger September 9, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS *Mark Your Calendars*



BBQ Ministry

We provide the proteins,
And God provides the rest!
Let's go to the park and grill for
God's people. Interested?

Let's start this fall!

TIME AND DATE:

*dependent on everyone's
availability.*

The Gospel of Matthew



8 WEEK STUDY

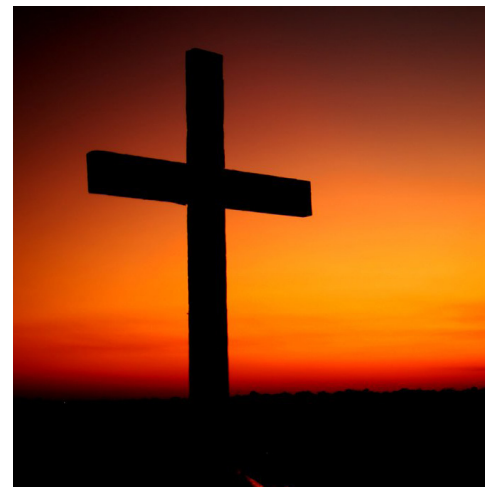
- ◆ Dr. Greg Davis will lead a study of Matthew on
- ◆ **Wednesdays at 10AM and 6PM, room 200**
- ◆ We will begin on **September 15th** with an introduction, and end on **November 10th.**
- ◆ **Location in room 200.**
- ◆ **Cost is \$20.**
- ◆ Sign Up Online or by Calling the church office

PASSINGS



CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO THE FAMILY OF:

- ◆ *Mary Nell Parr in her passing on August 18, 2021*
- ◆ *There will be a private service held August 28, 2021*



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