

People: O God, you know that we have made this covenant today in sincerity, without deceit or reluctance. If you find anything false in us, guide us and help us to set it right. And now, glory be to you, God the Father. From this day forward, I shall look upon you as my God and Father. Glory be to you, God the Son. You have loved me and washed me from my sins in your own blood. From this day forward, I shall look upon you as my Savior and Redeemer. Glory be to you, O God the Holy Spirit. By your almighty power, you have turned my heart from sin to God. From this day forward I shall look upon you as my Comforter and Guide. O mighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you have now become my covenant friend. And I, through your infinite grace, have become your covenant servant. You are mine and I am yours. So be it. May this covenant that I have made here on earth be ratified in heaven. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION UMH 13

LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***HYMN** WASH, O GOD, OUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS UMH 605

(You are invited to touch the water-remembering your baptism as you leave worship.)

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

OUR MISSION

Inspire people to
KNOW, GROW, GO
in God's love

KNOW
Connect people to Church & God.



GROW
Develop as a disciple and leader.



GO
Engage and serve the community.



ANNOUNCEMENTS!

JANUARY SERMON SERIES



Who is this Jesus who tries to keep his identity a secret? As Jesus' public ministry begins, he remains a somewhat mysterious figure. Like a good spy, magicians, or stealthy detective, Jesus plays things close to the vest and reveals things only when he is ready. Through six weeks of Gospel readings, we see Jesus begin to reveal himself more and more, while at the same time insisting on keeping his identity secret. As we explore Jesus' mysterious identity, we may discover more about ourselves and a purpose that causes us to live with a sense of urgency.

YOUTH SPRING KICKOFF



TONIGHT FROM 5-7PM IN THE GYM

We hope you plan to join us for our Spring Kickoff tonight from 5-7 PM starting in the gym! We will have a parent-student meeting to follow to discuss: Sunday school, Confirmation, Mission Trips, and MORE! Please plan to be there!

BOB ROSS NIGHT AT UMY (UNITED METHODIST YOUTH)



SUNDAY, JAN. 21ST FROM 5-7PM

A yearly UMY staple, Bob Ross night is almost here! We will meet Sunday, January 21st from 5-7 PM to paint along with one of the great American Painter's lessons, and everyone will have the chance to create a beautiful painting! Supplies are included, but we do ask that your student wear clothes that they (or you) wouldn't mind getting paint on.

BINGO



Sunday, January 28th at 5pm

Join us Sunday, January 28th at 5 PM in the Gym for our annual BINGO night! We will play several rounds of BINGO, enjoy a meal together, and have several wonderful baskets available as prizes. Cost is \$5 per person with a cap of \$20 per family. Nursery will be available for all children Kindergarten and below. Please RSVP on your connect card or by emailing Kristin Nelson at kristin@broadmoorumc.org by Wednesday the 24th. We are also asking any Sunday School class that might be willing to put together a prize basket to reach out to Kristin or call the church office. We hope you will join us!

Parking Lot Fundraisers



Broadmoor's Youth are back selling parking spots at both Krewe of Centaur and Gemini Mardi Gras Parades on February 3rd and 10th! Please consider parking with us- all proceeds go directly to Summer Mission Trip, scholarships for students, and various Summer Activities!

DISCOVER BROADMOOR



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH AT 6:30PM

Discover Broadmoor is Thursday, February 8th at 6:30pm. This is an opportunity for our guests and new members to meet the pastors, staff, and Sunday School leaders, as well as to learn about our mission here. RSVP on your connect card or by emailing office@broadmoorumc.org.

January Mission Focus: Broadmoor STEM Adopt a Teacher/Staff member Appreciation Lunch Drive



The January Mission Focus will be to collect money for the Broadmoor Stem Adopt a Teacher/Staff member Appreciation Lunch Drive. We will be collecting \$10 and a individual note of appreciation to include on the lunch box. We plan to purchase the lunches from Honey Baked Ham. The box has a ham or turkey sandwich, chips, cookies and a drink. We will deliver these to the teachers during their Teacher Appreciation Week. We will have tables outside the Sanctuary and the River for collecting your donation and notes. Thank you for all your help for the students and staff at our neighborhood school.

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The Memory of Baptism

Wesleyan Covenant Service



WELCOME
THANKS FOR JOINING US!

OUR MISSION IS INSPIRING PEOPLE TO KNOW, GROW, & GO IN GOD'S LOVE.

BROADMOOR

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
JANUARY 7, 2024 | BAPTISM OF THE LORD

WELCOME

ADAM PHILLEY

THE GREETING

REV. HUGH DEBO

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

People: **You are the one true God who reigns forever.**

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, you search our hearts and you see every part of us. All our desires are known to you, and from you no secrets are hidden. By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, cleanse our hearts, so we may perfectly love you and glorify your holy name. We pray this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING* UMH 57
STZS. 1, 2, 3 & 7

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

KRISTIN NELSON

SCRIPTURE LESSON

MARK 1: 4-11

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PROCLAMATION/HOMILY *THE MEMORY OF BAPTISM* DR. WYBRA PRICE

THE CONFESSION

REV. HUGH DEBO

Leader: We are those who seek to live as true disciples of Jesus Christ, but sometimes we fall short. Let us now examine ourselves before God, humbly confessing our sins and submitting our hearts so that we do not deceive ourselves and cut ourselves away from God. Let us pray.

People: **Father God, you have set forth the way of life through your Son Jesus Christ, whom you love dearly. We shamefully confess that we have been slow to learn of him and have been reluctant to follow him. You have spoken and called to us, but we have not listened. You have revealed your beauty to us, but we have been blind. You have stretched out your hands to us through our friends, but we have passed by them. We have accepted your gifts and offered little thanks. We are unworthy of your unchanging love.**

Leader: We now confess to you our sins. Please forgive us for the poverty of our worship... for the selfishness of our prayers... for our inconsistency and unbelief... for the ways we neglect fellowship and your grace... for our hesitation to tell others about Christ... for the ways we deceive others...

People: **Forgive us for when we waste time and when we misuse the gifts you have given us. Forgive us for when we have made excuses for the wrong things we have done and when we have purposefully avoided responsibility.**

*STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

BOLD RESPOND IN UNISON

GIVING

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Leader: Forgive us that we have been unwilling to overcome evil with good and that we have not been ready to carry our cross. Forgive us that we have not allowed your love to work through us to help others and that we have not made their suffering our own. Forgive us for those times when instead of working for unity, we made it hard for others to live with us because of our lack of forgiveness, inconsiderate judgment, and quick criticism.

People: **Forgive us for when we have not tried to reconcile with others and when we have been slow to seek redemption.**

Leader: Forgive us also for these sins that we silently confess to you now.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

God, the Father of all mercies, is faithful to cleanse us from our sins and restore us to Christ's image. Praise and glory be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! Amen

BLESSING OVER THE OFFERINGS

SONG *LIKE A RIVER IN MY SOUL* BY OSIEK

THE INVITATION

Leader: Let us gathered here before the Lord now in covenant commit ourselves to Christ as his servants. Let us give ourselves to Him so that we may fully belong to Him. Jesus Christ has left us with many services to be done. Some of these services are easy and honorable, but some are difficult and disgraceful. Some line up with our desires and interests, others are contrary to both. In some we please both Christ and ourselves, but then, there are other works where we cannot please Christ except by denying ourselves. Jesus Christ, we offer You this prayer:

People: **Let me be your servant. Let me follow your commands. I will no longer follow my own desires. I give myself completely to your will.**

Leader: The power and strength to live as true servants is given to us in Christ. We accept the place and work that he gives us, acknowledging that he alone will be our reward.

People: **I am not my own. I am yours alone. Make me into what you will. Rank me with those you will. Put me to use for you. Put me to suffering for you. Let me be employed for you. Let me be laid aside for you. Let me be lifted high for you. Let me be brought low for you. Let me be full or let me be empty. Let me have all things or let me have nothing. With a willing heart, I freely give everything to your pleasure and disposal.**

Leader: Christ is Savior to those who are his true servants. He is the source of all salvation to those who obey. To be his servant is to consent fully to his will. Christ accepts nothing less. Christ will be all in all, or he will be nothing. Now confirm this truth in holy covenant. Make it a reality in your life in these three ways: First, set apart time in your day, more than once, to be spent alone with the Lord. Seek to perceive God's special care for you and gracious acceptance of you. Carefully think through the words of this covenant and its conditions. Examine your heart, even if you have freely given your life to Christ. Name the sins in your life. Reflect on whether you are willing to choose Christ's holy laws and strict commands.

Leader: Be sure you are clear in all of these so you do not lie to God! Second, uphold a serious spirit of holy awe and reverence. Third, claim God's covenant. Do not trust in your own strength and power but rely upon God's promise of giving grace and strength. In this way, he will empower you to keep your promise. Fourth, be determined to be faithful. You have given your heart and life to God. You have opened your mouth to dedicate yourself to the Lord. With God's power, never go back to your former way of living. And last, be prepared to renew your covenant with God. Fall on your knees. Lift your hands. Open your hearts.

*HYMN

MY HOPE IS BUILT

UMH 368

THE COVENANT PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray together:

People: **My righteous God, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, see me now as I fall down before you. Forgive my unfaithfulness when I have not done your will. You promise mercy if I turn to you with my whole heart.**

Leader: God requires that you rid yourself of every idol in your life.

People: **From the bottom of my heart, I here and now renounce every idol in my life, covenanting with you that I will not commit any known sin. By turning against Your will I have turned my love toward the world. In your power I will watch for any temptation that will lead me away from you.**

Leader: Through Jesus Christ, God offers to be your God again, if you allow him to be.

People: **Before all heaven and earth, I here and now acknowledge you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, as my Lord and God. I vow to give all of myself, body and soul, to be your servant and to serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of my life.**

Leader: Jesus Christ is the only way and means to God. God has given us Jesus as the way and means to salvation.

People: **Jesus, I here and now accept you as the only new and living way. I join myself in covenant with you. I come to you hungry, sinful, miser able, blind, and naked, unworthy even to wash the feet of your servants. With all my power, I accept you as my Lord and head. I renounce my own unworthiness, and vow that you are the Lord, my righteousness. I renounce my own wisdom and take you for my only guide. I renounce my own will and take your will as my law.**

Leader: Christ has told you that you must suffer with him.

People: **Jesus, I here and now make this covenant with you and accept what ever comes in life. Through your grace I promise that neither life nor death will separate me from you.**

Leader: God has given holy laws as the rule of your life.

People: **I here and now willingly take on your yoke and burden. All your laws are holy, just, and good. I accept them as the rule for my words, thoughts, and actions, promising I will strive to order my whole life around your direction. I will not allow myself to neglect anything I know to be my duty.**

Leader: The Almighty God searches and knows you, even the thoughts of your heart.

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