FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR
Dr. Greg Davis

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THE YEAR OF SERVICE
at Broadmoor United Methodist Church

REV. PETER GAUGHAN
Associate Pastor

2017: The Year of Service
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ! That’s how Paul starts his letters, and I can’t think of a better way to begin 2017, our Year of Service at Broadmoor UMC.

As we begin the year with our lives grounded in grace and peace, we look to each new day for opportunities to serve. I encourage each of us to invite others to join in a mission we support and accept a new invitation in return. As we follow this year’s focus on service we shine a light on the living God who is at work in the world. While we’re at it, we aim to lend a hand in the work of the Kingdom of God!

Grace and peace, Peter

The Unveiling | Sunday, January 29
Some people make intentional New Year’s resolutions; others just take a deep breath and hope for the best. At Broadmoor UMC we are going to unveil our mission and vision statements on January 29th during the Sunday School hour. This is an intentional step of living into who we are and where we want to go. We are placing our statements where everyone entering and departing the fellowship/worship area can see them. The intent is to write the statements on our hearts, echoing the words of the prophet Jeremiah, “I will write it on their hearts.”

As a community that welcomes, worships, and serves together, we want “The Unveiling” to be witnessed by as many as possible. So on January 29th we are asking all the Sunday School classes to meet together for fellowship time in the Fellowship Area, share prayer and song together in the Sanctuary, and then gather as one Body as the statements are unveiled.

2017: The Year of Service

January Sermon Series: Serve Strong | Begins Sunday, January 8
Jesus spent his time with people. So do we. Jesus served the world and changed it for the better. So can we. But how do we serve a world we want to change for the better? We do as Jesus did; focus on one relationship at a time. As you reflect on your new year’s resolutions, join us as we resolve to serve our families, community and world by strengthening our relationships within our families at home, work, and church. This series will take place in Traditional Worship (8:30 & 11:00) and The River Contemporary Worship (11:00).
Memorials & Honorariums

Building Fund
In memory of Jane Mann Cloutier by Eleanor Higgs.
In memory of Jeri Edwards by Elaine Camp, Mr. & Mrs. C.W. Thurmon, Norma Miller, and Don & Dot Sibley.
In memory of Jackie Risinger by Don & Dot Sibley.
In memory of Chuck Smith by Mr. & Mrs. C.W. Thurmon and Norma Miller.
In honor of The Valet Parking Team: Frank Flowers, Derek Lane & Jim Watts by Frances Terrill.

First Gift
In memory of Oscar Edward Cloyd, Sr. by Martha Cloyd Peal.
In memory of William Ralph Peal by Martha Cloyd Peal.
In honor of Irene Skipworth by Timothy & Katherine Skipworth.

General Fund
In memory of Donald L. Kessler by Doris L. Kessler.

Library Fund
In honor of The Women's Class by Anonymous.

Music Ministry Fund
In memory of Bill Johnston by Katharyn Lilly and Adam Philley & The BUMC Choir.

2016 Financial Update
Let me express my deepest gratitude to God above and to each of you who continue to support Broadmoor UMC. 2016 was a tumultuous year in so many ways for our country and our state, and for many of our families. It was a year of much anxiety and many unknowns as we look to the future. Yet, we as a congregation, with a little extra push at the end of the year; completed our financial witness in a wonderful way. At the present, we are finalizing the 2016 financial reports so exact numbers are a couple of days away. What I can tell you, as concerns the General Operating Funds, we have finished in the black with all of our 2016 expenses being paid in full. And, reporting on The BOLD Faithful Campaign to Eliminate the Indebtedness by June, 2019, the principal balance has now been reduced to $1,950,000! Thanks for your faithful gifts as we continue to move forward with God's mission for us in the name of Jesus Christ.

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Sympathy

Remember in prayer the family and friends of those who have recently passed away:

Cherry Sue Lucky
passed away on December 31.

Join the Welcome Center Team!

As you come through our church doors, isn’t it nice to be recognized and helped by our Welcome Center Team? If you are interested in participating once a month as a Welcome Center Volunteer; we have openings with a partner on the second, third and fifth Sundays. Simply come a few minutes before a service and help for a few minutes at the end. Our vision is to offer hospitality to visitors and members and to provide information about our church, its facilities and its ministries. We would love for both men and women to participate. Interested? Please contact Sherry Thompson, Volunteer Coordinator, at 455-5388.

REV. TERRY LOVE
Pastor of Administration

Rest, Retreat, Refresh: A Day Away for Women | Saturday, January 7
There’s still space for you in our Women’s Retreat! Gather at Broadmoor UMC on Saturday, January 7, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. for a day of rest, retreat and refreshment led by Lisa Frost. Join us as we explore our own “rules of life” – a monastic concept that we can apply to our own days. The cost is $15 and includes lunch.

Red Bag Sunday | Sunday, January 8
Sunday, January 8 is Red Bag Sunday! January needs include side dishes (mac and cheese, Rice-A-Roni, potatoes au gratin, etc.), Canned soup, Individual cereal, and Hot chocolate mix (packets).

New Member Dinner | Sunday, January 8
Join us for a New Member dinner at the home of Lynne and Tim Givens on Sunday, January 8, at 5:30 p.m. This is a family-friendly opportunity to visit with our pastors Dr. Greg Davis and Rev. Peter Gaughan in a relaxed setting. RSVP to Laura Vaughan at laura@broadmoorumc.org.

Monday Morning Pathway Group | Resumes January 9
Grounded in being present to how God is working in our lives, we share our stories, our heartaches and our joys in a safe space as we read through various spiritual books throughout the year. 10:30–11:30 in the Parlor. Led by Laura Vaughan & Callie Hamm.

More than a Mom Pathway Group | Resumes Wednesday, January 11
Our young moms’ group meets on Wednesdays from 9:30–10:30 to share the joys and struggles of being a mom while growing deeper in our faith together. We will begin the New Year discussing The Shock by William Paul Young. Led by Kelie Taylor & Laura Vaughan.

Disciple: Invitation to John | Begins Wednesday, January 11
You are invited to a study of John’s Gospel led by Dr. Greg Davis. There are two time options: 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, January 11 through March 29. Meetings last about 90 minutes. During weekly video segments, travel into the scripture as you explore God’s Word. Each week has a small group discussion on video to spark our conversation. Participants for this Invitation to John do not have to have an in-depth knowledge of the Bible to enjoy and benefit from participation. Reading just two chapters of John a week, we will discover the life altering stories that will invite us to follow Christ as true disciples.

Wednesday Evening Pathway Group | Resumes January 11
Join us as we listen for God’s presence and voice through Lectio divina, a slow, contemplative praying of the scriptures or of various spiritual writings. Meets on Wednesday evenings from 5-6 p.m. in the library. Led by Mary Virginia Taylor.

Seamless | Begins Wednesday, January 11
Seamless by Angie Smith covers the people, places, and promises of the Bible, tying them together into the greater story of Scripture. Experience the Bible as a whole as you gain clarity and confidence in your understanding of Scripture. Discover a biblical context that reshapes and brings to life stories from the Old and New Testaments. This Women’s Study will be led by Betty Hochstetler on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. January 11 through February 22. Cost is $20.
Serving From the Heart | Begins Sunday, January 22
God's plan for the church calls for each member of the Body of Christ to play a vital role. Sometimes we think that serving God is an obligation and that it isn't meant to be enjoyable. The truth is that God wants us to find joy and fulfillment when we serve. That happens when we serve in a role that matches who God created us to be. In Serving From the Heart, we will take a 6-week journey as we learn more about how the Body of Christ is intended to function. This study will lead us through assessing our spiritual gifts, talents and abilities, resources, individual style, dreams and experiences—all adding up to an enhanced capacity to serve God and neighbor. Led by Laura Vaughan on Sundays from 3:00 - 4:30, January 22 through February 26. Cost is $20.

Explore Broadmoor | Sunday, January 22
Would you like to know more about the ministries and mission of Broadmoor UMC? Do you have questions about what it means to be a member of the church? Join Senior Pastor Dr. Greg Davis as he answers your questions in an informal setting on Sunday, January 22, from 5-6 p.m. For more information, please contact Laura Vaughan, Director of Discipleship, at laura@broadmoorumc.org or 318.861.0586.
Centering Sounds of the Soul Jazz Dinner with Walter Jr. | Friday, February 17

Join us on Friday, February 17, from 6-8 p.m. for a Jazz Dinner featuring guitarist and songwriter Walter Jr. An honorary member of The Louisiana Blues Hall of Fame, the performer has been spreading the good word with soulful flair for more than four decades.

Born and baptized in Mermentau, a small village in the heart of Louisiana Cajun country, Walter Jr. grew up hearing traditional Cajun music at family gatherings. As he got older, his musical tastes expanded to include some of the region’s top blues artists, including Louisiana natives Bobby Charles, Slim Harpo and Clarence “Gatemouth” Brown. In addition to his popular blues gigs, he also uses his music to help spread a spiritual message. A Certified Lay Minister in the UMC with a Master’s degree from the Loyola Institute for Ministry in New Orleans, the musician presents original sacred concerts — which have been described as “relevant, reverent and scripturally grounded” with heartfelt passion and compassionate fellowship. Walter Jr.’s relaxed style has been central to his work as music minister, worship leader, spiritual director, and retreat/seminar/conference leader.

Individual tickets ($30) will go on sale Sunday, January 8th at Broadmoor UMC. To reserve a table ($300), call 318.861.0586 or email laura@broadmoorumc.org. All proceeds will go to fund our Women’s Ministry.

Entrusted Bible Study | Begins Monday, January 23

We were never meant to take this journey of faith alone or in secret. God has entrusted us with the mighty gift of the gospel, something too life-giving to keep to ourselves. In this 6-session study, Beth Moore will encourage you to guard what God has entrusted to you, further His kingdom by sharing Christ with others, and pour into future generations just as Paul once mentored Timothy. This Women’s Study will be led by Bonnie Daniel on Mondays from 10:00-11:30 a.m., January 23 through February 27. Cost is $20.

Ruth’s Friends Widow’s Group | Wednesday, January 25

Ruth’s Friends, our monthly Widow’s Group will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 25 in the Parlor. Join us for a program followed by lunch!

Enneagram Boot Camp | January 26-30

Join us at Broadmoor UMC for a multi-day workshop on the Enneagram led by Suzanne Stabile. During this retreat we will explore intermediate and advanced concepts of the Enneagram using lecture, small group, panels, dyad and triad discussion formats. Areas of focus will include triads, stances, and personal transformation. Participants will be provided opportunities to journal and complete exercises designed for their individual personality types to assist them in developing during their journey. Attendees should understand their personality type and possess an intermediate level of Enneagram knowledge. Cost is $325 / $375 after January 8. Register at www.centenary.edu/stabile.

Upcoming Book Chats

Read and discuss a new book each month with friends! Book Chats are facilitated by Nancy Beauvais on the 4th Thursday (unless otherwise noted) from 5:30-7:00 in the parlor and open to all!

- February 2 (date change): The Couple Next Door by Shari Lapena
- March 23: America’s First Daughter by Stephanie Dray & Laura Kamoie
- April 27: Our Soul’s At Night by Kent Haruf
- May 25: The All-Girl Filling Station’s Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg
- June 22: A Dog’s Purpose by W. Bruce Cameron
- July 27: The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware
- August 24: The Book of Joy by Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu

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