



## Governance Board Message

*Stewart Rose, Member*

The April meeting of the Governance Board met on April 21st in Pearce Hall. Kristen Nelson was a guest to discuss all the moving parts of the Children's Ministry. One of the most important elements discussed was filling the position of ELC (Early Learning Center) Director since Lillie Daniel took a new job. Kristen and a hiring team interviewed several candidates and found someone who really stood out. Please welcome Leslie Williams as our new ELC director.

Overall, we have seen more people in attendance last month over the same month last year! Can we get an Amen? And we are reaching people with our livestreams! The River Band just had a concert to raise funds for some much-needed updates on equipment. We had the pleasure of having the Cajun Asian food truck to supply food for us as well as donating some of their proceeds back to us! **The next board meeting will be May 29th in Pearce Hall.**



## From Bishop Delores J. Williamston – Louisiana Conference of the UMC - May 01, 2024

*The General Conference of the United Methodist Church voted to remove harmful language from our Book of Discipline, found in ¶304.3 regarding qualifications for licensed or ordained ministry that had state: "The United Methodist Church does not condone the practice of homosexuality and considers this practice incompatible with Christian teaching. Therefore, self-avowed practicing homosexuals are not to be certified as candidates, ordained as ministers, or appointed to serve in The United Methodist Church."*

*There was additional legislation that prevents District Superintendents and Bishops from penalizing pastors and churches that perform or allow a same-gender wedding on their church campus adding, to ¶ 419.*

*This same petition prevents punishment if a pastor or church chooses not to perform or allow a same-gender wedding on their church campus. Essentially this removes a restriction and allows both clergy and churches to follow their consciences and their understanding of scripture without fear of repercussion.*

*Words are powerful. We see this reflected over and over again in scripture. These words have been used to exclude and harm since they were added to our Discipline in 1972.*

*In light of that, we first want to acknowledge the deep harm and pain the "incompatibility" language has caused for our LGBTQIA+ siblings in Christ and their families. To consider any human being incompatible with the teachings of Christ is harmful and dangerous. We lament the exclusion, pain, and hurt this has inflicted and perpetuated.*

*The change became effective May 4, 2024, following the close of General Conference.*

*For many in our Conference, the question then becomes, what does this mean for us?*

*This will not change our appointive process. This means that the Bishop and Cabinet will consult with clergy and Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committees to find the best missional appointment for both the church and the pastor.*

*This will not change a clergy person's right to discern whether or not to marry a couple.*

*This addition to the Discipline protects clergy regardless of whether or not they officiate a same-gender wedding.*

*This will not change a local church's ability to discern how marriage ceremonies are conducted at their churches.*

For more information, please visit the Louisiana Conference webpage ([www.la-umc.org](http://www.la-umc.org)) or speak to your BUMC pastors. We look forward to the shared journey in life and faith.



# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

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## BUDDIES REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR SUMMER AND FALL!

Contact Shelby Lockwood at [shelby@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:shelby@broadmoorumc.org) for more information or to schedule a tour.



## TNT REGISTRATION

Are you ready for some "Out of this World" fun this summer? Registration for TNT, our summer program for kids entering **1st-5th grades in the fall, is going on now. TNT meets from 9:30-2:00 June 11-13, 18-20 and July 9-11, 16-18.** Kids will enjoy an activity and lunch each day. Sign up for individual sessions, or all four.

For more information contact Kristin Nelson in the church office at 318-861-0586 or [kristin@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kristin@broadmoorumc.org).



## Save the date for Mighty Kids June 5 & 19, July 3 & 17 | 5:30-7:00

Join us for Mighty Kids this summer as we take a closer look at some of the heroes of the Bible and their God given characteristics. We will talk about how we can live out these heroic characteristics in our everyday life, and become the people God created us to be.

Each week will kick off with a meal, followed by a time of music, story, activities and mission focus.

Contact Kristin Nelson at [kristin@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kristin@broadmoorumc.org) to register your nursery through elementary-aged kids.



# YOUTH MINISTRIES

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Congratulations to our 2024 graduating Seniors!

## YOUTH WEEK 2024



**\$75** A WEEK OF FUN FOR INCOMING 6TH-12TH GRADERS

- TUESDAY, MAY 28TH POOL PARTY AT ELK'S LODGE
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH PAINTBALL AT O.F.F. LIMITS
- THURSDAY, MAY 30TH DAY OF SERVICE
- FRIDAY, MAY 31ST TRIP TO SIX FLAGS

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

## Youth Week 2024 May 28th - 31st

It is time to sign up for our 2024 Youth Week! Youth Week is a time where our students can have some fun together and welcome our new 6th graders to the youth program! This year's dates are May 28th-31st and will include a pool party, serving project, day of paintball, and a trip to Six Flags! The cost for the week is \$75 and includes a T-shirt.

Signup forms are available NOW outside of the Youth area in Anderson Hall and online. We hope you will plan to join us!

Fill out the online Youth Week form here: <https://form.jotform.com/221216189737157>



## MISSION UPDATES

### May Mission of the Month - Common Ground Summer Camp



During the last 14 summers, neighborhood children ages K-12 have spent time with caring staff and volunteers and experienced physical, emotional, spiritual and academic support and lots of fun. The Summer Camp theme for 2024 is "It's All Fun and Games." We will use a medium of board and card games as a springboard for all kinds of interesting activities. As always, building relationships and growing social and emotional awareness will be part of our plans.

We are collecting small toys and other items for the Summer Camp Treasure Chest. Items are used to reward good behavior during each session. They need 500 items including:

**Markers, Lip Gloss, Crayons, Nail Polish, Coloring Books, Body Lotion, Puzzle Books, Hair Items, Small Play Doh, Yo-yos, Small Lego Kits, Playing Cards, UNO Cards, Hot Wheels**

**Donations are also welcome!**

Please consider supporting our 2024 summer camps, so that we can continue to impact the lives of children and teens in Cedar Grove. Providing a loving, supportive environment for these young people encourages educational growth and emotional empowerment, and gives participants a better chance of breaking the cycle of poverty.

**Please drop off your items at the table in the Fellowship Hall or in the office reception area.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Wear RED on Pentecost Sunday – May 19, 2024

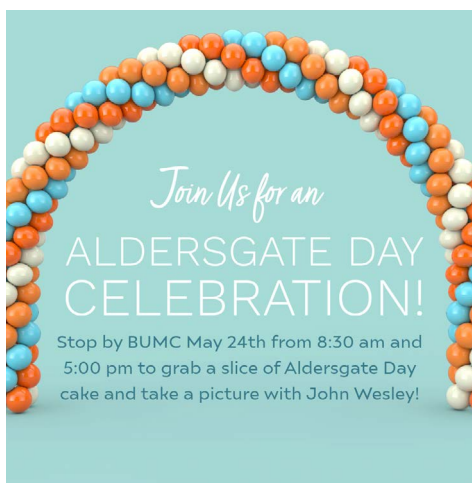


On Pentecost Sunday, we remember the day the disciples received the Holy Spirit in a special way. The story in Acts 2 describes a powerful wind and tongues of fire as the Holy Spirit was poured out on people from all over the world who came to Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish feast. At the first Pentecost over 3000 people were baptized, creating the first church. This is why Pentecost is known as the birthday of the Christian church.

The word Pentecost comes from a Greek word meaning fiftieth. The Jewish Festival of Pentecost (called Shavuot, meaning "weeks" in Hebrew) falls on the fiftieth day after the original Passover. On that day, God gave the Torah to Moses on Mount Sinai. The Christian festival of Pentecost falls on the 50th day after the resurrection of Jesus.

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Red is historically associated with Pentecost as a visual reminder of the "tongues of fire" that empowered the apostles and others to proclaim the good news of Christ's resurrection in many languages to the crowds of pilgrims from many lands (Acts 2:3). **You are invited to wear RED on Pentecost Sunday – May 19th.**



### Join Us for an Aldersgate Day Celebration on May 24th!

On Friday, May 24th, drop in at BUMC anytime between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm to grab a slice of Aldersgate Day cake and take a picture with John Wesley!

### What is Aldersgate Day?

Aldersgate Day marks the pivotal moment when John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, experienced a profound spiritual awakening on May 24th, 1738. It was on this day that Wesley felt his heart "strangely warmed" while attending a meeting on Aldersgate Street in London, igniting a flame of spiritual renewal that would spread across the world.

Come celebrate Aldersgate Day with us as we honor the legacy of John Wesley and the enduring impact of his faith. Bring your friends, family, and an appetite for cake as we rejoice in this momentous occasion together!

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## Summer Sermon Series

Your pastors need your input! Which biblical character's story speaks to you the most?

Please submit your response to [office@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:office@broadmoorumc.org) by June 2nd.



Collin Hughes & Hannah Rachal-Hughes



Valerie & James Smith



## BUMC Summer Programs

**Mighty Kids | Adult Study**  
June 5, 19; July 3, 17 | 5:30 - 7 PM

Save the date! Join us this summer for our summer programs. We will gather together as a church family to hear stories about the heroes of the Bible, who display God's great attributes. We will learn how we can live out these characteristics in our every day life. This all-age event will kick off with a meal together. Afterwards we will break into our age appropriate groups as we learn and grow in our faith. More information to come!

Adults, register at [office@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:office@broadmoorumc.org).

## TITHES & OFFERINGS

**BUMC WEBSITE |**  
[broadmoorumc.org/give](http://broadmoorumc.org/give)

**DIRECT DEPOSIT |** Call office at 318-861-0586 & talk to Amy Watts or click on Direct Deposit Form, fill out the PDF

**SNAIL MAIL |** Mail to: BUMC, 3715 Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105

*Always rejoice*

WE CAN ALWAYS REJOICE WHEN OUR EYES ARE FIXED ON THE LORD.

GLORY IN HIS HOLY NAME,  
LET THE HEARTS OF THOSE WHO SEEK THE LORD REJOICE!

1 Chronicles 16:10



**SOUND TECH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** FOR BROADMOOR UMC'S SANCTUARY & RIVER WORSHIP

## Sound tech volunteers needed for Sanctuary and River worship services at Broadmoor UMC.

The times needed are 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM for Sanctuary and River worship. Experienced with a sound board is desired, but not necessary.

For more information contact Communications Director, Kelsi Smith at [kelsi@broadmoorumc.org](mailto:kelsi@broadmoorumc.org).