



## “Weed-Choked Field”

### Happy 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Broadmoor Baptist Church

One of our dear charter members, Merle Cooper, shared with us a few of her early memories of Broadmoor Baptist Church. Merle recalls when the growing “Broadmoor Mission” was moved to Broadmoor Elementary. It had outgrown its garage beginnings, and began holding services in the school cafeteria. How appropriate that a Baptist church would gather in a cafeteria, a place of food and the breaking of bread. Merle also recalls the day of the charter-signing, when the whole church walked to the table where the signing occurred. One of the early ministers was John Hurt, and Carolyn Cox (Smith) was pianist.

One of Merle’s favorite memories, though, is about the day the whole church walked as a group down the sidewalk and across the street to a lot with some “various scrubby weeds and trees - not impressive to me as the site of our new sanctuary.”

The late Fred Craddock once stated that if our memory does not go back farther than our birth, then we are spiritual orphans. Like the genealogies of Jesus, which offer a larger memory of God’s work, telling the story connects us to our spiritual ancestors. Matthew’s

gospel takes us back to Abraham, connecting us to God’s covenant people. Luke, though, takes us back farther, to Adam, the father of all humankind. His point: before there were tabernacles, temples, synagogues, and churches, God was still God.

As I hear the stories about the early days of Broadmoor Baptist Church, I find my own small story within our church’s larger story. I am also reminded that Broadmoor Baptist Church was a church long before we owned buildings. We, the people, and not the buildings, make up Broadmoor Baptist Church. And while our buildings are expressions of our theology and community, it is the relationships we share as brothers and sisters in Christ, the children of God in this corner of God’s kingdom that matters most. Before the beautiful stained glass and soaring sanctuary, when all there was were “various scrubby weeds and trees,” we were the church.

It took vision and trust in God to see what an unimpressive weed-choked field could become.

Happy Anniversary,  
BBC!

*Pastor Leonard*

## ADULTS

### DORLA

Broadmoor continues to host a series of meetings in June and July through *Dialogue on Race Relations-Louisiana* (DORLA). These sessions provide a safe space for honest discussion on the issue of racism in our society. Each session is limited to 15 people, and the current session is filled. To register for future sessions or to find out more information on DORLA, please visit: [dialogueonracelouisiana.org](http://dialogueonracelouisiana.org)

### First Place for Health

Tuesday, July 18  
5:45 p.m.

### Ladies Book Study

Monday, July 24  
1:30 p.m.

### Newcomer Ministry

**Team Meeting**  
Monday, July 24  
6:00 p.m.  
Small Dining Room

### BBC 60th Anniversary Celebration and Family Gathering

Sunday, July 16

Join us as we recognize our charter members during Worship, and afterward share a special meal and presentation during the Family Gathering.

Menu: Bacon Wrapped Chicken Breast, Twice Baked Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Asian Slaw, Roll, Anniversary Cake.

#### Reservations closed

\$8/Adults, \$4/Children,  
\$25/Family Max.

### Sunday Sermon July 16

Amazing Faith  
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-19

“Back to Broadmoor”  
coming in August

#### Reminder!

There will be no Wednesday night activities or meals during the month of July.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Home from the Hospital**  
Wallace McKenzie

**OLOL**  
Horace Elkins  
Hartie Spence

### Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to **Mrs. Rose Wascom** on the death of her son.

### Bags of Hope

Don’t forget to bring in your Kindergarten school supplies for the children in Lake Providence:

- pencils
- 24 ct. Crayola crayons
- glue sticks
- Fiskar scissors
- b & w composition notebooks
- zippered pouches
- Crayola washable markers
- quart size Ziploc bags

Please bring items to church office or bins at each entrance by August 2.

### A Missing Piece

Broadmoor is has begun a new ministry for those dealing with grief and loss. The next meeting will be held at la Madeleine restaurant, 7615 Jefferson Highway, on Thursday, July 20 at 9:30 a.m. The group will continue to meet every other week.

### Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed this summer at both Habitat for Humanity ReStore locations. Many different opportunities are available, most in the air conditioning. More info is posted on the church bulletin board, or call the church office at 927-5454.

## CALENDAR

### Thursday, July 13

10:00 A BBQilters  
5:30 P DORLA Meeting, CCR

### Friday, July 14

9:00 A Yoga

### Saturday, July 15

7:00 P Youth return from  
Passport

### Sunday, July 16

9:00 A Library Opens  
9:15 A Sunday School  
10:30 A Worship, Recognition of  
Charter Members  
11:30 A Family Gathering and  
60th Anniversary  
Luncheon  
12:30 P VBS Meeting, CCR

### Extended Teaching Care

D'Wana & Sarah Chiles, Allison  
Roark, Lauren, Paul, & Ryan White

### Tuesday, July 18

8:00 A Youth In-Service  
9:30 A Yoga

### Wednesday, July 19

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast

### Thursday, July 20

9:30 A "A Missing Piece"  
10:00 A BBQilters  
5:30 P DORLA Meeting, CCR

### Friday, July 21

9:00 A Yoga  
6:00 P VBS, CAH

### Saturday, July 22

2:00 P VBS, CAH  
6:00 P Youth/Parent Kickball

## YOUTH



### Passport Camp

July 8-15

Greensboro, NC

Return 7 p.m. on the 15th

### In-Service and Fun Activity

Tuesday, July 18

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

### Youth/Parent Kickball

Saturday, July 22

6-8 p.m.

Sharp Road Park

### Ultimate Frisbee & Ice Cream

Wednesday, July 26

6-8 pm

Broadmoor High School

## CHILDREN

**\*\*REGISTER\*\***

### Vacation Bible School

Friday, July 21, 6-8 pm

Saturday, July 22, 2-4 pm

Sunday, July 23,

Jambalaya Lunch  
after Worship

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# BBC 60th Anniversary & Family Gathering

## Sunday July 16

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# VBS

## July 21-23

Register now in the church office

For kids PreK-5th grade

more details inside