

CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 25

10:00 A Bible Study
10:15 A OMG Gathering
6:30 P Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 26

10:00 A Bible Study
4:00 P Genealogy

Friday, March 27

9:30 A Yoga

Sunday, March 29

Palm Sunday

8:30 A Common Grounds
Café Open
9:15 A Sunday School
10:30 A Worship Service
11:30 A Children's Easter Egg
Hunt and lunch
5:00 P Youth

Tuesday, March 31

9:30 A Yoga

Wednesday, April 1

10:00 A Bible Study
6:30 P Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 2

Maundy Thursday

10:00 A Bible Study
4:00 P Genealogy
6:00 P Maundy Thursday
Meal and Service

Friday, April 3

Good Friday

Church Office Closed

6:00 P Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 5

Easter Sunday

8:30 A Service Around the
Cross
8:45 A Potluck Breakfast
9:30 A Sunday School
10:30 A Worship Service

Tuesday, April 8

9:30 A Yoga

Fight fraud. Shred it!

Free Community Shred Day

Join us for a Free Community Shred Day to keep your personal information secure — just in time for tax season. Bring sensitive documents for on-site shredding at no cost. Suggested items include bank statements, tax documents, credit card receipts, and other records with personal information. Limit: 4 boxes or bags per vehicle.

Join Us!

Date: Saturday, April 11

Time: 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.

Location: Broadmoor Baptist Church, 9755 Goodwood Blvd.



This event is **FREE** and open to the public, but registration is suggested. To register, visit events.aarp.org/BRShredDay26 or call (877) 926-8300. You can also scan the QR code above.

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HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday (March 29):

Procession of children walking with Palm Leaves
Children's Easter Egg Hunt following service

Maundy Thursday (April 2):

6 PM Service and Meal
sign up in the church office

Good Friday (April 3):

Office Closed
6 PM Service

Easter Sunday (April 5):

8:30 AM Service around the Cross
8:45 AM Potluck Breakfast in CAH
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Easter Service

On Wednesday, April 1, Bobby Rayburn is celebrating his 30th Anniversary at Broadmoor Baptist!!

Help us celebrate him with a reception on April 12 following worship!!

H H A T S



“Lion-Man/God-Man”

I was reminded recently that I have only five articles before launching into a significant sabbatical period. You will soon receive a letter from me explaining everything about my sabbatical in even greater detail than I have already shared in Family Gatherings, committees and council meetings, and hallway conversations. In the meantime, someone suggested that I take this opportunity to share a bit about the plans I have made to give you a sense of what I hope to encounter and how it may feed my spirit and influence my ministry.

In Bavaria, Germany, 1939, in an Ice Age cave near the small city of Ulm, a carving was discovered that would influence how we understand our ancient homo-sapien ancestors. The carving is one of the oldest sapien artifacts discovered thus far, estimated to have been imagined and carved nearly 40,000 years ago – the Stadel Lion-Man. It is named after the caves in which it was discovered. The carving, made from mammoth ivory, depicts a human body with a lion’s head. While this may not strike you as significant, it is the earliest artifact we have discovered that indicates our homo-sapien ancestors were using their imaginations in their artistry. We are confident they did not carve the Lion-Man from having seen one of these hybrid creatures in the wild or living among their clans. They *imagined* something they had neither seen, nor had ever existed. And this has major implications for you and me sitting in pews on Sundays some

40,000 years later.

In his book *Sapiens*, Israeli World Historian Yuval Noah Harari, suggests that, as an act of imagination, this carving is a seed of religion! In age, this Lion-Man pre-dates Judaism by approximately 37,000 years and Christianity 38,000 years. Nevertheless, prior to any structured belief system, these hunter-gatherers were at least using their imaginations. Whether their imagination led them to a belief in gods or a god, we cannot say. What we can say is, like ours, their brains could conceptualize and were conceptualizing beings they had never seen. It is not a great leap from imagining a Lion-Man to imagining a God-Man. After all, there was much about their world that they could not explain based on sight and hearing, alone.

The Stadel Lion-Man is now on display at a museum in Ulm, where I will be in June. It is interesting that that museum is located across the street from the amazing Ulmer Münster, the second tallest church in the world, boasting the tallest steeple in all of Germany. The juxtaposition is not lost on me: the “seed of religion” on one side and the “tree of religion” (grown, structured expression of faith) on the other. As the Gospel of Luke’s genealogy of Jesus implies, God was the God of humanity long before the monotheistic structures that have grown and blossomed in the modern world.

Dr. Ezell

GET INVOLVED

LSU Gospel Choir

Thursday, April 16, 7:30 P

The LSU Gospel Choir returns to Broadmoor Baptist Church to present their Spring concert. You won't want to miss this electrifying program that highlights traditional and contemporary gospel music from prominent gospel and Christian artists. This concert is free and open to the public.

Affinity Groups

Cooking with Bobby, our Average Church Band (David Mullen), cyber security (Jeff Patton), basic sign language (Janelle Teekel) will start April 12 after church, genealogy (Jim Findley) started last week and will run on Thursdays at 4 P through April 9, Modern German and French (Aiden Buyuk), and embroidery (Katie Gilley).



Youth Fundraiser

April 19, following worship in conjunction with our Quarterly Business Meeting

Meal: Spaghetti, Salad, and Bread

\$10 per plate

sign up by April 16 at noon

MINISTRY OUTREACH

Home from Hospital

Nona Spence
Sharon Harley

Congratulations

Dylan Averett on the birth of his son Sterling Averett!!!

Flannery Oaks

Valerie Barnes

Deacon Meeting

Sunday, April 12, 11:30 A
Conference Room

Southeast Ministries

Our neighborhood food bank is in need of peanut butter and jelly.

Holy Grill

April 27– May 1, 11:30 A

Please contact the church office to sign up. We need 3 people each day.

OMG

The last Wednesday of the month
March 25, 10:15 AM

La Madeleine on Jefferson Hwy.

A time of fellowship and devotional for the men of Broadmoor Baptist and their friends. No need to sign up just SHOW UP!



APRIL 19

DESSERT SHARE



Do you have a dessert you are proud of and want to share??
Bring it to our family gathering!!

