CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 11
10:00 A Bible Study
Thursday, March 12
10:00 A Bible Study
Friday, March 13
9:30 A Yoga
Sunday, March 15
8:30 A Common Grounds Café Open
9:15 A Sunday School
10:30 A Worship Service
11:30 A Belles et Beaux
5:00 P Youth
Tuesday, March 17
9:30 A Yoga

Wednesday, March 18
10:00 A Bible Study
6:30 P Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, March 19
10:00 A Bible Study
Friday, March 20
9:30 A Yoga
Sunday, March 22
8:30 A Common Grounds Café open
9:15 A Sunday School
10:30 A Worship Service
11:30 A Belles Rehearsal
5:00 P Youth
Tuesday, March 24
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.

AARP Sponsored Event

LOOKING AHEAD

April 16: LLL River cruise
April 16, 7:30 P: LSU Gospel Choir Concert
April 19: Quarterly Business Meeting
Youth Fundraiser and Bake Off

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Holy Week

March 29: Palm Sunday Children's Event after Church
April 2, 6 P: Maundy Thursday Meal and Service, Sign up now!!
April 3, 6 P: Good Friday Service
April 5: Easter Sunday

"Leave Home"

"… homes are not meant to be lived in – but only to be moved out from." That's a quote from Richard Rohr's book, *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life*. Chances are, you do not live in the same home you grew up in. You live in different home. When was the first time you left home by your own choice? And why? To go to college, or when you got the job, or when you met your spouse? The point Rohr is making is that home is not the destination, but the launching pad from which we journey, explore, experience, and grow. It is from home that we take leaps of faith, and risks of failing … and succeeding. Home is where the Hobbits of Lord of the Rings longed to remain … yet the adventure couldn't begin until Bilbo took a leap of faith and left.

Rohr says, "The familiar and the habitual are so falsely reassuring, and most of us make our homes there permanently. The new is always … unfamiliar and untested, so God, life, destiny, suffering have to give us a push – usually a big one – or we will not go. … homes are not meant to be lived in – but only to be moved out from."

Notice, he said "*suffering*." Suffering's gift is to make us leave the familiar for new territory, and set us on our adventure, or our "calling." In his book "Dark God," Thomas Römer proposes that it was not intended for Adam and Eve to stay home, in the Garden, but to be launched out on their big adventure. Think about that! We call it "The Fall" or "The Sin," but the word "sin" isn't used until the murder. Römer is doubtful the two would have resisted the temptation and remained in their garden home forever. After all, in placing a prohibition, God surely foresaw the transgression. Not to mention that, traditionally, in the Bible and the ancient Near East, laws come with both blessings and curses: blessings for obeying and curses for disobeying. In the Genesis 3, there is only a curse promised, as if God knew that disobedience was inevitable. He proposes that God wanted to drive the human couple to transgress in order that they gain a conscience, their freedom, and, their independence. Yes. Just as their transgression awakened their sense of difference between humans and animals, it also revealed the difference between humans and God. We grow by leaving home. Sometimes we are nudged – or shoved – out by suffering.

Rarely do we experience the adventure we were meant for without first leaving, or sacrificing something (like Faust, Sleeping Beauty, Adam and Eve, Jesus). It is risky. But that's where we grow, gain freedom, independence, courage and confidence. Homes come and go, but the journey continues!

Dr. Ezell

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

GET INVOLVED

LLL Trip

Thursday, March 19, 11 AM

LLL going to St. Francisville to eat at THE FRANCIS. Leaving church at 11a.m. Lunch on your own. Sign up to ensure we have sufficient transportation. If you are willing to drive, let office know.

March 20, 7:30 P:

LSU A Capella Choir and Symphony present Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass*. Tickets are $18 and available on the LSU College of Music and Drama Website.

MINISTRY OUTREACH

In Loving Memory

Larry Davis *united with this church on July 24, 1983 and departed this life on March 3. 2026.*

Alice Steele *united with this church on August 11, 1991 and departed this life on March 9, 2026.*

Our Lady of the Lake

Nona Spence
Sharon Harley

Flannery Oaks

Valerie Barnes

Deacon Meeting

Sunday, April 12, 11:30 A
Common Grounds Cafe

Southeast Ministries

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

Affinity Groups

We have started to get groups for Affinity Groups. So far We have a Cooking with Bobby, our Average Church Band (David Mullen), cyber security (Jeff Patton), basic sign language (Janelle Teekel), genealogy (Jim Findley), Modern German and French (Aiden Buyuk), and embroidery (Katie Gilley). If any of these interest you, sign up on sheets outside the sanctuary or in the church office.

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!