

BROADWAY UMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY — APRIL 29, 2018

Broadway's 2018 Stewardship Theme is "Building Beloved Community." Our current total is around \$56,650 — thank you! You may fill out a pledge card at the church, fill out a [pledge form online](#), or contact the church office at bumclakeview@gmail.com to let us know what you are pledging for 2018. We will be accepting pledge cards through Sunday, April 29th.

We welcome Rev. Gross today! Rev. Gregory Gross is an ordained deacon in the United Methodist Church with a primary appointment as Director of Mission Fulfillment at The Night Ministry. He is chairperson of the order of deacons in our conference, has been a delegate to the 2012, 2016 General and Jurisdictional conferences, and will be again at the special session in 2019. Gregory is also a founding organizer of the Queer Clergy Caucus in the UMC. He is an advocate for justice for all persons and is always disrupting business as usual. We are grateful to have Rev Gross in our midst this morning.

Coffee Hour Goodies come to us through the generosity of Osmium Coffee Bar. Please support them if you can. Osmium is located at 1117 W Belmont.

THIS WEEK — APRIL 30 TO MAY 5, 2018

If you aren't already subscribed to our **Weekly E-News**, click the link on our [website](#) or on our [facebook page](#) or send an email to the [church office](#).

Wednesday Night Live: Our sanctuary is open for **private prayer**, with meditative music and the healing sound of water, every Wednesday at 5:30pm. Rev. Alka is usually available for prayer and consultation. At 7pm the lay-led **Lectionary Study** begins where we meditate, reflect and discuss the lectionary scripture readings. This week's lectionary: Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17.

NEXT SUNDAY — MAY 6, 2018

Preaching: Rev. Rachel Birkhahn-Rommelfanger, "Economic Community"

As part of our celebration of Holy Communion next Sunday, we will receive an **offering of non-perishable food** and other requested items. The local area food pantries and shelters then distribute items. Broadway has been asked to consider particularly gifts of 100% Shelf Stable Fruit Juice, Peanut Butter, Canned Beef Stew/Chili, Canned Tuna, Whole Grain Cereals, and Dried Beans. **"As we are fed, so we are called to feed."**

Are you interested in making Broadway family your community of faith? If so, then we invite you to join us for our **Membership Classes!** We will have four sessions: Sunday, May 6 from 1-3pm; and Sundays, May 13, 20, and 27 from 2:30-4:30pm. We invite you to be in discernment about this — if you think you may be ready, be thinking about the ministry you'd like to claim as a part of our faith community. Please contact the church office if you desire to be part of the new member class and feel free to talk to Rev. Alka (815-474-6721) if you have any further questions.

ONE Northside's 2018 Community Convention is a gathering of North Side community members to build collective power and advance bold, progressive vision for city, state, and country. This year's convention will be on Sunday, May 6th, at the American Islamic College (640 W. Irving Park Rd) from 2:30pm-5:00pm (doors open at 2pm). What is a Community Convention? At ONE Northside's Community Convention, 1,000 community leaders will gather to celebrate our victories, advance our policy solutions, share our personal stories, and hold our elected officials accountable for advancing a community agenda for justice.

LOOKING AHEAD

Please join us as we continue our **6-Week Sermon Series on the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church**. Sunday, May 13: Student Pastor Jessie Cummins, "Nurturing Community."

On the first Sunday of every month, **Communion and Community Sunday**, Broadway UMC celebrates God's expansive welcome with a communion service, welcoming all to God's table. We also use this opportunity to do some special celebrations of the Broadway community—celebrating birthdays for the upcoming month, honoring LifeSavers at Broadway, and giving a special welcome to visiting friends and family. We will continue to celebrate visitors every Sunday, but we especially encourage the Broadway congregation to use Communion and Community Sundays as a chance to issue a special invitation to friends and family to join us in celebrating that we are all beloved children of God.

A **Lifesaver at Broadway** is someone who's gone above and beyond, has pitched in to help at the last minute; someone who's reliable. We acknowledge them by naming them for *Lifesaver for the Month*. If you've noticed a LifeSaver in action, please nominate them by filling out the form below. Then tear it off and put it in the ballot box outside the Sanctuary. We acknowledge the nomination on the first Sunday of every month.

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LifeSaver at Broadway
I nominate _____ for the LifeSaver Award for the month of _____
because of _____

