



BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

April 8, 2018

Social Principles of the United Methodist Church: **World Community**

Prelude: "Song of Hope" (Thomas Chesterton)

[David White]

Call to Worship

God in the Spirit revealed in Jesus Christ, calls us by grace

to be renewed in the image of our Creator, that we may be one in divine love for the world.

Today is the day God cares for the integrity of creation, wills the healing and wholeness of all life, weeps at the plunder of earth's goodness.

And so shall we.

*** Opening Hymn: "This Is My Song" # 437**

Welcome Statement of Community and Connection

(Please check in on Facebook and/or on Twitter @ChicagoBUMC, wifi password is 7733482679, and pass the friendship pads to register your attendance and any updated contact information.)

Welcome to worship, God's beloved!

YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!

Scripture Reading: Micah 4:2-3

Many people will come and say: "Come, let us climb YHWH'S mountain to the Temple of the God of Jacob, that we may be instructed in God's ways and walk in God's paths." Instruction will be given from Zion and the word of YHWH from Jerusalem. YHWH will judge between many peoples and arbitrate between mighty and distant nations; they will beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; one nation will not raise the sword against another, and never again will they train for war.

May God bless the speaking and hearing of the Word. **Amen.**

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Bold type within liturgy indicates congregational response.

Song numbers with the designation "FS" refer to selections from *The Faith We Sing* books. All other selections are from the *United Methodist Hymnal*.

A Time for Young Christians

[During the Time for Young Christians, you are invited to use the Prayer Cards in the pew pockets to indicate prayer concerns you would like lifted up in prayer during this week. They can be placed in the offering plate or posted on the prayer wall.]

Prayers of the People

Today is the day God embraces all hues of humanity, delights in diversity and difference, favors solidarity transforming strangers into friends. **And so shall we.**

Today is the day God cries with the masses of starving people, despises growing disparity between rich and poor, demands justice for workers in the marketplace. **And so shall we.**

Today is the day God deploras violence in our homes and streets, rebukes the world’s warring madness, humbles the powerful and lifts up the lowly. **And so shall we.**

Today is the day God calls for nations and peoples to live in peace, celebrates where justice and mercy embrace, exults when the wolf grazes with the lamb. **And so shall we.**

***Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:43-44**

[Jesus said:] “You have heard it said, ‘Love your neighbor—but hate your enemy.’ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for your persecutors.”

Here ends the reading of the Gospel. This is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Reflection: “The World Community: War and Peace/Gun Violence” [Rev. Alka Lyall]

Response to the Reflection

Today is the day God brings good news to the poor, proclaims release to the captives, gives sight to the blind, and sets the oppressed free. And so shall we. AMEN.

Mission Minute Sunday: Project Fierce and Childserv

The Invitation to Offering

[Broadway is committed to the financial support of its identity, vision, and ministry by tithing. Consider making an offering this morning of 10 percent of your income from this past week.]

The Offering of Music: “Consolation” (F. Mendelssohn) [David White]

***The Presentation of Offerings**

***Doxología**..... [tune # 95]

**A Dios el Padre Celestial Al hijo nuestro Redentor
Y al eterno Consolador Unidos todos alabad.**

***The Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements

* **Closing Hymn: “Healer of Our Every Ill”** see insert

* **Benediction**

Postlude: “Praise the Lord Ye Heavens Adore Him” (R. Blake) [David White]



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APRIL MISSION MINUTES

Project Fierce is a grassroots collective of radical social workers, youth advocates and other community members who are working together to establish a community driven, identity affirming housing in Chicago. Project Fierce’s mission is to reduce LGBTQ youth homelessness in Chicago by providing transitional housing and support services to homeless LGBTQ young adults. PFC launched publicly in April 2013 and received an overwhelmingly supportive response from queer and allied communities. Last year, PFC announced it has purchased a home on Chicago’s Southwest Side, and they are working on readying the space to house young people. They will provide supportive, collaborative, transitional housing for 10-12 LGBTQ-identified young adults. In an effort to assure sustainability of their space, they also will offer a low cost office rental space in the building for grassroots, social justice focused non-profits seeking a home. One of our members, Jackie Boyd, has been involved in this amazing house raising effort from the start. Visit www.projectfiercechicago.org for more information.

Childserv began in 1894 as the Methodist Deaconess Orphanage and later was named the Lake Bluff Home for Children. Today, ChildServ is a highly experienced, multidisciplinary child and family services network reaching children and families facing adversity in four Illinois counties: Cook, DuPage, Kane, and Lake. Our community-based programs focus is to improve the lives of vulnerable children and their families, foster parents, and other caregivers. ChildServ reaches 3,000 at-risk children and families annually. Programs include foster care and adoption, group homes, child care, early childhood education and parenting support, military and veteran family support, and healthy life-style information.

You can donate throughout the month – make checks out to Broadway and designate “April Mission Minute” (split between both) or “Project Fierce” or “Childserv.” You can also donate [online](#).

Monthly Update	Income	Expenses	Difference
January 2018	\$7,412.90	\$17,486.70	-\$10,073.80
February 2018	\$10,108.85	\$14,171.00	-\$4,062.15
YTD	\$17,521.75	\$31,657.70	-\$14,135.95

BROADWAY'S MISSION STATEMENT

“God calls Broadway United Methodist Church to be a faith community embracing the diversity of our Chicago neighborhood and larger community. We welcome all persons – celebrating the human family’s God-given diversity of race, age, gender, sexual orientation, and physical or mental capacity. We also welcome persons of all social and economic classes and faith backgrounds. At Broadway, we are accepted into God’s nurturing family, which invites us into spiritual growth through worship, study, mission, and social action. We are grateful for the opportunities God gives us to experience and share the love of Christ.”



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