



BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

April 15, 2018

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

Welcome! Please see the pew card "Welcome to Worship" for more information on our services.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT: "Aria" by Brian Solomons

[David White]

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Seek good and not evil, that you may live.

Live a life that is full and free,

Welcome the stranger and all that person brings

New culture and traditions, hopes and dreams

New understandings and ways of thinking

That together we may build the beloved community built on the foundation of love.

*OPENING HYMN: "Gather Us In" FS 2236

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!

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Bold type 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*.

SCRIPTURE READING: Ezekiel 16:48-52

As I live, says Sovereign YHWH, your sister Sodom and her daughters have not done as you and your daughters have done! This was the guilt of your sister Sodom: she and her daughters were arrogant; thy had abundant food and not a care in the world, but she refused to help the poor and needy. In their arrogance, they did abominable things before me, so when I saw it, I swept them away. Nor did Samaria commit half of your sins; you committed far more abominations more than she. Beside all the abominations you committed, your sisters look righteous! You bear the disgrace for making your sisters' judgment lighter. Because of your sins, in which you acted more abominably than they did, they are more righteous than you. You should indeed be ashamed and stand in disgrace for making your sisters appear righteous!

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

A TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

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

ANTHEM: "We Are One, God" by Stan Pathel

[Broadway Choir]

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A RESPONSIVE COMPANION LITANY TO THE UMC SOCIAL CREED

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.**

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: Romans 12:9-13

Your love must be sincere. Hate what is evil and cling to what is good. Love one another with the affection of sisters and brothers. Try to outdo one another in showing respect. Don't grow slack, but be fervent in spirit: the One you serve is Christ. Rejoice in hope; be patient under trial; persevere in prayer. Look on the needs of God's holy people as your own; be generous in offering hospitality.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

REFLECTION:

“The Social Community: Equal Rights Regardless of Sexual Orientation” [Rev. Leigh Goodrich]

RESPONSE: **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.**

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: “Lacrimosa” by G. Verdi [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

Holy God, we know that these gifts don’t come from our power or piety but by your goodness. As we reach out to people in our community, may they draw closer to you. Let our offerings contribute to the ongoing work of your Jesus, here and now. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: “In the Midst of New Dimensions” FS 2238

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: “Sortie” by Cesar Frank [David White]



Scripture from The Inclusive Bible. Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2009.

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
March 2018	\$13,225.85	\$17,778.61	-\$4,552.76
YTD	\$30,747.60	\$49,436.31	-\$18,668.71

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“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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