



BROADWAY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

May 8, 2016

Living Abundantly

Mothers' Day/Ascension Sunday

Welcome! We are glad that you have joined us for worship today.

Visitors: Please record your **complete address**, as well as your name, on the registers. We'd like to send you a greeting! If you would like to take a short tour of the church building and grounds, meet one of our greeters at the Welcome Center after the service.

Inclusive Language Here at Broadway we have an inclusive language policy that recognizes and affirms the full range of diversity among persons engaged in the communication process. We are intentional that our imagery of God as well as our liturgy reflect that inclusiveness. *We use a variety of pronouns for God, just as our community uses a variety of pronouns as we grow and learn beyond the binary. In the spirit of hospitality, please ask others for their preferred pronoun.* The pastors are available to answer any questions you might have regarding the policy. The entire inclusive language policy can be found on the website. A further resource by Paul Smith, *Is it Okay to call God Mother?* is available through the church office.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

Prayer/Stewardship Cards: As you worship with the Broadway community today, you are invited to share in a personal way. The orange card that is in the pew pockets is for you to express how you are or might be in service to God and community this week. It is also a place for you to share prayer concerns. Use as much or as little of the card as you like. The cards will be viewed **ONLY** by the pastors. By placing this card in the offering plate you are symbolically acknowledging your gifts of time and talents to the glory of God.

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

Giving Your contributions are needed for everything from special programs to basic operating expenses — both are deserving of your support. Please be as generous as you can in the year ahead. To give online, visit us at broadwaychurchchicago.com/give or scan the QR code at right. Thank you for your commitment to God's purposes through our faith community!



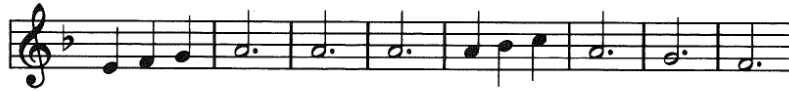
Music of Gathering

“One True God” (Bhangra Praise Song)

[Heart of the City Worship Band]

Call to Worship

Psalm 97



Lift ev-ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en ring.

Sung Response:



Let them re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.

YHWH reigns! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

Clouds and thick darkness surround you, YHWH; righteousness and justice are the foundation of your judgment seat.

Fire goes before you and destroys your enemies on every side.

Your lightning bolts light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

[Sung Response]

The mountains melt like wax at your sight, at the sight of the God of all the earth.

The heavens proclaim your justice, and all the peoples see your glory.

All who worship images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; all dogs bow down before you.

Zion hears and is glad, and the women of Judah rejoice because of your judgments, YHWH.

[Sung Response]

For you, YHWH, are Most High over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

YHWH, you love those who hate evil; preserve the lives of your faithful ones and deliver them from the hands of the wicked.

Light dawns for the just, and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in YHWH, you just, and give praise to God's holy Name!

[Sung Response]

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Bold type within liturgy indicates congregational response.

***Hymn of Gathering**

“Holy Spirit, Truth Divine” # 465 vs. 1-3

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!

Prayers for the People for Mothers’ Day

Nurturing God, on this Mother’s Day we pause to remember the gifts of mothering.

And as we remember we pause to give thanks for the ways you are a mother to us: for nurturing us, giving us the guidance and the freedom we need to grow in experience and wisdom; for comforting us when we are wounded in body or spirit; helping us to heal and be stronger for it; for believing in and challenging us, calling us to be more than we are; encouraging us to live out our potential, not letting us coast, reminding us to keep trying and growing. We offer words of thanks.

[We are invited to speak words of thanksgiving...for the gift of life, of family, of community.]

Gracious God, on this day we also give thanks for those who have been like mothers to us. Some of them are related to us through blood, some of them have come into our lives through happenstance, some of them have been part of our lives for decades, some of them are new to us, but many people have nurtured, taught, comforted, challenged, encouraged us. Without them we would not be who we are, and so we give thanks for them and all that we have learned from our interactions with them.

[We are invited to speak the names of those who have nurtured and impacted our lives.]

And yet, in the midst of our thankfulness, we remember...We remember that there are those for whom Mother’s Day is difficult; those for whom the relationship between mother and child is strained, or difficult, or non-existent; those who are distanced from their mothers, by geography, or illness, or unhealed hurts, or communication failures; those who have said farewell to mothers or children, not to meet again until we join in the life which lies beyond this life. For all these mothers and children who meet pain or struggle this day we pray for comfort, that they would know they are not alone.

We also remember those who want to be mothers but are unable, those who have given up a child for adoption; those who wish to know the woman who carried them but never will. May they too know Your peace.

[A moment of silence.]

[continued...]

Let us pray: **God of life, today and everyday we give thanks for the gift of life. Today and everyday we also remember the people in the world who know more about curses than blessings. Today we remember that the roots of Mother's Day lie in women's grief at burying husbands and brothers and sons as a result of brutal warfare. And so we pray for peace and justice throughout the world. This we pray in the name of the one who taught about your love, your justice, your hope for the world, Jesus of Nazareth, our rock and redeemer, our teacher and guide, in whose life, death, and resurrection we find the path that leads to the Kin-dom. Amen.**

God's Story in Scripture

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier account, Theophilus, I dealt with everything that Jesus had done and taught, from the beginning until the day he was taken up, after he had given instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. After the Passion, Jesus appeared alive to the apostles — confirmed through many convincing proofs — over the course of forty days, and spoke to them about the reign of God. On one occasion, Jesus told them not to leave Jerusalem. “Wait, rather, for what God has promised, of which you have heard me speak,” Jesus said. “John baptized with water, but within a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” While meeting together they asked, “Has the time come, Rabbi? Are you going to restore sovereignty to Israel?” Jesus replied, “It's not for you to know times or dates that Abba God has decided. You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you; then you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and even to the ends of the earth.” Having said this, Jesus was lifted up in a cloud before their eyes and taken from their sight. They were still gazing up into the heavens when two messengers dressed in white stood beside them. “You Galileans — why are you standing here looking up at the skies?” they asked. “Jesus, who has been taken from you — this same Jesus will return, in the same way you watched him go into heaven.”

May God bless the speaking and hearing of the Word.

Amen.

Receiving God in Song

“**Swing Low, Sweet Chariot**” (arr. Joe Cox)

[Kaleidoscope and Unique Spirit]

A Time for Young Christians

“**Jailhouse Rock**” theater

[David Belew]

[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. Children are invited to Children's Church in the Wesley Room following the Time for Young Christians.]

Receiving God in Song

“Oh Mary Don’t You Weep” (arr. Moses Hogan)

[Broadway Choir]

God’s Story in Scripture

Acts 16:16-34

Once when we were going to prayer, we met a household worker who was possessed by a spirit of divination, and who made a great deal of money for her employers through its fortune telling. She began to follow Paul and the rest of us, shouting, “These are faithful followers of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation!” She did this for many days. Finally one day Paul lost his temper, and turned around and said to the spirit, “In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to leave this woman!” It left her that moment. When her employers saw that their profitable operation was now hopelessly dead, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them before the authorities in the public square. They brought them to the chief magistrates and said, “These people are Jews and are disturbing the peace by advocating practices which are unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice.” The crowd joined in the attack on them, and the magistrates stripped them and ordered them to be flogged. They were whipped many times and thrown into prison, and the jailer was told to keep a close watch on them. So, following these instructions, the warden threw them into the innermost cell of the prison and chained their feet to a stake. About midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God as the other prisoners listened. Suddenly a severe earthquake shook the place, rocking the prison to its foundation. Immediately all the doors flew open, and everyone’s chains were pulled loose. When the jailer woke up and found the doors wide open, he drew a sword and was about to commit suicide, presuming that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted, “Don’t harm yourself! We’re all still here.” The jailer called for a light, then rushed in and fell trembling at the feet of Paul and Silas, and, after a brief interval, led them out and asked them, “What must I do to be saved?” They answered, “Believe in Jesus the Savior, and you will be saved — you and everyone in your household.” They proceeded to preach the word of God to the jailer and his whole household. At that late hour of the night he took them in and bathed their wounds; then he and the whole household were baptized. He led them up into his house, spread a table before them, and the whole family joyfully celebrated their newfound faith in God.”

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Reflection

“Living Abundantly in the Margins”

[Rev. Alka Lyall]

Time of Prayer

Hymn of Response

“On Eagle’s Wings” # 143

Silent Prayer

The Prayer of Jesus # 895

[You are invited to say this prayer in the language of your heart.]

Mission Minute Sunday

[more information on page 9]

2016 Stewardship: Celebrating Abundant Life

Call to Offering

The Offering of Gifts

[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.]

Video Presentation

“The Making of Asian America”

[produced and voiced by Sachi Koto]

***The Presentation of Offerings**

***Doxología**..... (tune # 95)

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

***The Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

“If You Believe and I Believe” see insert

***Benediction**

Postlude

“Bless the Broken Road” (by Rascal Flatts)

[Bill Dunkley and Jackie Boyd, soloists]

LITURGICAL RESOURCES

One True God (Bhangra Praise Song): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CSBGBbUXm4U>

Prayers for the People written by Rev. Gord Waldie (revised slightly) and posted on Worship Offerings. <http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca/>

The Making of Asian America: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ena3JtE1Djo>

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

TODAY’S PARTICIPANTS

Ministers: All the People

Environment: Diana Davis

Pianist: Mark Slima

Broadway Choir Director: Jacqueline Boyd

Kaleidoscope Directors: Julia Puac-Romero and Ruthanne Swanson

Unique Spirit Directors: Emily McConnell and Jenn Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK — MAY 9 TO 14, 2016

Alka's Angle and Vernice's View Revs. Alka and Vernice share thoughts each alternating week through the **weekly Monday e-news**. If you aren't already subscribed to our e-news, click the mailing list link either on our website or on our facebook page, or contact the office.

Pastoral Care Rev. Alka will be out of the office for General Conference **May 9-21**. Rev. Vernice will be out of the office **May 5-13**. If you have a pastoral emergency or need to reach a pastor this week, please contact Student Pastor Tonks Lynch.

Wednesday Night Live (WNL) Sanctuary Prayer is open to the church and community **each Wednesday at 5:30pm**. Come, enjoy the quiet, and listen to meditative music and the healing sound of water. A pastor is available for prayer and consultation. **WNL! Guided Meditation** in the Sanctuary at **6pm on Wednesdays**. If you're interested, come in comfortable clothes for this brief meditation.

WNL! Education Hour: Discovering the Feminine God As we continue our journey of inclusive ministry at the intersections of oppression, we introduce this study of Sue Monk Kidd's best seller book *The Dance of the Dissident Daughter: A woman's journey from Christian Tradition to the Sacred Feminine*. Here is an excerpt from a recent Facebook post (you can read it in its entirety at www.mysoulcoaching.com):

"There's something infinitely sad about little girls who grow up understanding (usually unconsciously) that if God is male, it's because male is the most valuable thing to be. This belief resonates in a thousand hidden ways in their lives. It slowly cripples girl children, and it cripples female adults...I wanted to reclaim my inherent feminine divinity. I didn't want to hear anymore how "sonship" included me. It didn't. I was not a son. I didn't want to hear anymore how my Father God knows what is best for me. I had my own earthly father around who told me often enough what was good for me. I didn't need a God like my father. I no longer wanted to hear stories from the dominant men in history who were privileged enough to write down their experiences with their God. Where was women's divine history? Where were the words of my historical mothers?...exclusive male imagery of the Divine not only instilled an imbalance within human consciousness, it legitimized patriarchal power in the culture at large. Here alone is enough reason to recover the Divine Feminine, for there is a real and undeniable connection between the repression of the feminine in our deity and the repression of women."~ Kidd.

Join us on **Wednesday evenings at 7pm** in the Sanctuary, **April 27th to May 25th**. You can order a copy of this book from Amazon or just come for the lively discussion.

NEXT SUNDAY — MAY 15, 2016

Living Abundantly **Pentecost Sunday — wear red!** **Preaching:** Student Pastor Tonks Lynch

Lectionary: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17 (25-27)

Anti-Racist White Caucus Broadway's Anti-Racist White Caucus meets at Broadway on the **third Sunday of each month, directly following the 11:00 service**, concurrent with the POC Discussion Group. We have been reading and discussing Ta-Nehisi Coates' new book, *Between the World and Me*. Anyone who identifies as an anti-racist white person is welcome to join our discussion. To find more information, please find our Facebook group, BUMC ARWC, and/or join our yahoo email group by sending an email to broadway-arwc-subscribe@yahoo.com, with the subject line "subscribe."

People of Color Discussion (POC) Group meets on the **third Sunday of each month**. Please contact the office for more information.

COMING SOON

Save the Date: The Night Ministry is celebrating its 40 year anniversary with “Lighting Up the Night” on **Wednesday, June 1, from 5:30-9pm** at the Lowes Hotel Chicago. Cocktails, dinner, silent and live auction celebrating forty years of housing, health care and human connection.

Collection for Northern Illinois Annual Conference (June 5-7) We collect supplies that are sent to people and places where they can be put to good use. This year we are collecting supplies for ‘school kits.’ Our District (Chicago Northwest District) is challenged to collect **400 Scissors (round tip, no plastic)**. Three will be placing a small basket outside the sanctuary to collect these scissors. **Let’s try to donate 50 scissors at the least!**

CALENDAR NOTES

Sunday, May 22: Student Pastor Taylor Gould’s last Sunday and farewell

Sunday, June 19: Rev. Vernice Thorn’s last Sunday and farewell

May Mission Minutes

Each month, your donation to the mission minutes will be split between the two monthly projects; at least one is a UMC Rainbow Covenant Advance. If you want your entire donation to go to a particular mission, just mark your check or envelope with the specific name of the mission or advance. In addition: each month we offer an action alert; another way to put your faith in action.

May Missions: Dr. Bemm and Tenwek Hospital, Kenya; Kenya Methodist University Health Center. **Action:** UMC General Conference – send prayers to support our delegates as they engage in the legislative work of our church.

Dr. Bemm and Tenwek Hospital, Kenya: Chuck and Amy Bemm serve as missionaries in Kenya and Dr. Bemm is on staff as pediatrician at Tenwek Hospital for 9 years now. Tenwek Hospital was founded in 1937 by World Gospel Mission missionaries and has since grown to be a leading provider of quality healthcare and medical education in Western Kenya, and one of the largest mission hospitals in Africa.

Kenya Methodist University Health Center: Supporting basic healthcare services for women, children and other vulnerable groups. See more at: <http://www.umcmmission.org/Give-to-Mission/Search-for-Projects/Projects/3020607#sthash.r7ENlxcE.dpuf>.

Action: UMC General Conference, May 10-20, 2016, in Portland, Oregon. General Conference is the top policy-making body of the United Methodist Church which meets once every four years. The conference can revise church law, as well as adopt resolutions on current moral, social, public policy and economic issues. It also approves plans and budgets for church wide programs. This year, Pastor Alka Lyall is one of the delegates who will be heading to Portland, along with fellow delegates from the Northern Ill. Conference. Follow the action on line, and if you tweet, use the hashtag #UMCGC.

You can donate throughout the month – make checks out to Broadway and designate “May Mission Minute” (split between both) or “Tenwek Hospital” or “Kenya Health Center.” You can also donate [online](#).



Professional Cleaning Service Needed

The Broadway United Methodist Church is seeking to hire a reliable and efficient cleaning service to care for the church interior and entryway. Applicants must meet our unique scheduling demands, provide special care of our inclusive church environment, and demonstrate a professional approach.

To apply, please call Sheila,
representative of the BUMC
Relationship Builders
773 529-4740

Please be prepared to answer interview questions.

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Celebrating Abundant Life: 2016 — Monthly Update

	Income	Expenses	Difference
Quarter 1	\$44,580.97	\$70,120.72	-\$25,539.75
April 2016	\$13,228.31	\$23,142.04	-\$9,913.73
YTD TOTAL	\$57,809.28	\$93,262.76	-\$35,453.48

Thank you for your commitment to God's purposes through our faith community!

You can also give online at www.broadwaychurchchicago.com/give
(scan code for our donation page) or download app (see below).



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Support your local church, right from your phone, any time, anywhere.

Give in three easy steps: 1) Download the app at <https://joyfully2umc.org>. 2) Find your church. 3) Donate.

Broadway UMC Calendar: Week of May 8, 2016

Sunday	9:00 a.m. Meditation and Reflection Service [Sanctuary]
May 8	10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time [Friendship Hall] 10:15 a.m. Kaleidoscope Choir and Unique Spirit [Wesley Room and the Music Office] 11:00 a.m. Festival Service [Sanctuary] 11:15 a.m. Children's Education Time [Wesley Room] 12:30 p.m. Relationship Builders [Room B] 6:00 p.m. Eclectic Full Contact Theatre [Wesley Room] 5:00 p.m. Dignity Mass* [Sanctuary and Friendship Hall] 6:00 p.m. CMA Group* [Area C] 7:00 p.m. 12 Step Meditation Meeting* [Room B]
Monday	7:00 p.m. Eclectic Full Contact Theatre [Sanctuary]
May 9	7:30 p.m. AA Group* [Area C] Overnight The College School [Sanctuary]
Tuesday	UMC General Conference begins in Portland, OR (May 10-20, 2016)
May 10	7:00 p.m. Eclectic Full Contact Theatre [Sanctuary] 7:00 p.m. AA Group* [Area C] 7:00 p.m. NA Group* [Wesley Room] Overnight The College School [Sanctuary]
Wednesday	12:15 p.m. AA Group* [Wesley Room]
May 11	5:30 p.m. Open Sanctuary + [Sanctuary] 6:00 p.m. Guided Meditation + [Sanctuary] 7:00 p.m. Education Hour: Discovering the Feminine God + [Sanctuary] 7:00 p.m. Eclectic Full Contact Theatre [Area C] 7:00 p.m. Alanon Group* [Room B] 8:00 p.m. Candlelight AA Group* [Wesley Room] Overnight The College School [Sanctuary]
Thursday	7:00 p.m. The Broadway Choir [Sanctuary]
May 12	
Friday	6:00 p.m. AA Group* [Area C]
May 13	7:30 p.m. Alanon Group* [Room B]
Saturday	4:00 p.m. Youth Lounge [Area C]
May 14	

Bold face indicates BUMC sponsored activities

*Community Group

+ see announcements

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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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