



BROADWAY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

July 30, 2017

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Visitors: Please record your address, as well as your name, on the registers. We'd like to send you a greeting!

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 pastoral team is 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 is Paul Smith's book, *Is it Okay to call God Mother?*.

Nursery: Children of all ages are welcome in worship. When children need a break, parents can take them to our unstaffed nursery room next to the Sanctuary.

Safe Sanctuary: Our young people are fantastic, and we know that you want to take pictures/videos of them, but please help keep our youth safe and do not share photos/videos of them in any public forum (i.e. YouTube, Facebook, Twitter, etc.). Thank you!

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. You may choose to have the card added to the prayer wall or to be viewed **ONLY** by the pastoral team. 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: God is inviting you to specific ministry of sharing your resources. Please be as generous as you can in your giving. 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!



Words of Centering

I have great respect for the past. If you don't know where you've come from, you don't know where you're going. I have respect for the past, but I'm a person of the moment. I'm here, and I do my best to be completely centered at the place I'm at, then I go forward to the next place.

~ Maya Angelou

Music of Gathering [Jenn Peterson, piano]

Announcements

*** Call to Worship**

O give thanks to God.

Tell the world the great things God has done.

Sing praises to God.

Let your soul look up in wonder and sing of God's glory!

Let every heart declare God's glory and seek God's strength.

Seek God continually. Let praise spring from your lips.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

*** Opening Hymn: "How Great Thou Art"** # 77 vs. 1-2

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** Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Jesus presented another parable to the crowds: "The kingdom of heaven is like the mustard seed which a farmer sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all — it becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come to perch in its branches." Jesus offered

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Bold type within liturgy indicates congregational response.

them still another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a baker took and mixed in with three measures of flour until it was leavened all through.”...“The kingdom of heaven is like a buried treasure found in a field. The ones who discovered it hid it again, and, rejoicing at the discovery, went and sold all their possessions and bought that field. Or again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant’s search for fine pearls. When one pearl of great value was found, the merchant went back and sold everything else and bought it. Or again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collected all kinds of fish. When it was full, the fishers hauled it ashore. Then, sitting down, they collected the good ones in a basket and threw away those that were of no use. This is how it will be at the end of time. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the just and throw the wicked into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and the gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?” “Yes,” they answered. To this Jesus replied, “Every religious scholar who has become a student of the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who can bring from the storeroom both the new and the old.”

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

Thanks be to God. Amen.

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. Children are invited to return to their seats following the Time for Young Christians.]

Scripture Reading Genesis 29:15-28

When Jacob had been with them for a month, Laban said, “Why do you work for me without wages just because we are related? Tell me your worth, and I’ll hire you.” Now Laban had two daughters: the older one was Leah, and the younger one was Rachel. Leah was near-sighted but Rachel was lovely and graceful, and Jacob was in love with her. He said, “I will work for seven years for the hand of your younger daughter, Rachel.” Laban answered, “I would rather that she marry you than give her hand to another. I accept this offer.” Jacob worked for seven years for the right to marry Rachel, but to him it felt as if it were a few days — that was how much he loved Rachel. When seven years were up, Jacob said to Laban, “I have worked for you for seven years. Let me now marry Rachel.” So Laban brought together all the local people for a wedding feast, and there was a great deal of drinking. That night, however, he brought his daughter Leah to Jacob, and Jacob slept with her. Laban also gave Leah his maid Zilpah, to attend her that night. In the morning Jacob woke up — and it was Leah beside him! Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Didn’t I work for you for seven years for Rachel’s hand? Why have you deceived me?” Laban answered, “It is not our custom here to let the younger child marry first. Finish this wedding week with the elder, and I will let you marry the younger for another seven year’s work.” Jacob agreed to finish the wedding week with Leah. When the week was finished, Laban allowed Rachel and Jacob to marry.

May God bless the speaking and hearing of the Word.

Amen.

Reflection Rev. Alka Lyall

2017 Stewardship: Draw the Circle Wide

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.]

Music of Offering [Jenn Peterson, piano]

***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 one, we are amazed that you count us among your children. Open our eyes to see every human being as your beloved child. Send your Spirit to guide us to embody a generous way of giving to others in this world. We pray this in your many names. Amen.

***Closing Hymn: “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”** # 117 vs. 1, 3, 6

***Sending Forth**

Postlude [Tim Barnes, organ]

Call to Worship based on Psalm 105:1-11,45b. **Prayer of Dedication** based on Matthew 13. **Scripture** from *The Inclusive Bible*. Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2009. **Pianist:** Jenn Peterson; **Organist:** Tim Barnes; **Reader:** Tim Barnes



MEDIA UPDATE

There will be no media presentations during the 11 AM service between July and August while the media team is on summer vacation. Being on the media team is a form of ministry and stewardship, and we're in need of additional members to meet a goal of continuous media PowerPoint presentations for 11 AM Sunday services beginning in September. In order to set the church up for success, here's what the media team needs:

- Preferably 4 to 8 media volunteers willing to commit to a **five-month rotation** (Sept–Jan or Feb–June). Four volunteers per rotation are desired (e.g., each volunteer would only need to create one media presentation in a month with four Sundays).
- Required skills and attributes: **An ability** to develop a simple, and creative PowerPoint presentation with attention to detail; **Ensuring** microphones are turned on and projection screen is deployed prior to start of service; **Willingness** to perform media for special occasions upon request pending media team availability; **Flexibility** in considering trade request with fellow media team members

Ideally, interested volunteers have basic PowerPoint skills. We'll provide training one month prior to each five-month rotation. Please see one of us if interested, and thank you for your ministry and stewardship at Broadway. ~ Richard Johnson, Sheila Ashby-Schultz and Nick Campanile

COMING SOON – A NEW LAY LEADERSHIP MODEL FOR BROADWAY!

You may have heard some rumblings about changes in the lay leadership model for Broadway. Well, it's true, and we're very excited about these changes. We are in the process of replacing the current Co-Lay Leader model we've used for the past several years. The new model will consist of a lay leader group consisting of representatives from all of Broadway's ministry teams and committees. This change will allow a much larger group of representatives to answer the call of leadership, and represent the great diversity that is the Broadway community. A group of volunteers is currently in the process of establishing the guidelines for this group (as well as a great new name!), and we plan to have the new leadership system in place by September 1, 2017. More information will be coming over the next few months. If you have any questions about these changes, please feel free to speak to Rev. Alka or any of your current Co-Lay Leader team.

Draw the Circle Wide!	Income	Expenses	Difference
Quarter 1	\$39,137.91	\$49,142.09	-\$10,004.18
April 2017	\$12,840.90	\$19,148.69	-\$6,307.79
May 2017	\$13,163.72	\$12,978.83	\$184.89
June 2017	\$13,248.49	\$18,566.54	-\$5,318.05
YTD 2017	\$78,391.02	\$99,836.15	-\$21,445.13

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK — JULY 31 TO AUGUST 5, 2017

Weekly 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 at a Spiritual Retreat **August 1-6**. Please direct all pastoral care needs during that time to Sheila Ashby Schultz at ssch733@aol.com.

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. Rev. Alka is usually available for prayer and consultation. **WNL! Education Hour: Lectionary Study each Wednesday at 7pm**. We will be meditating, reflecting and discussing the lectionary scripture readings.

NEXT SUNDAY — AUGUST 6, 2017

Lectionary: Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

Guest Preaching: Rev. Leigh Goodrich

As We Are Fed As part of our celebration of Holy Communion **next Sunday**, we will receive an offering of nonperishable 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."

LOOKING AHEAD

Anti-Racist White Caucus (ARWC) has some field trip opportunities this summer:

- 3rd Fridays Trolley Tour of Bronzeville: July 21, **August 18***, September 15, 6-9pm, FREE ADMISSION (We are planning on the August 18 for a group event, but feel free to go whenever works for you!)
- 1st and 3rd Fridays--The Artist Lounge at the South Side Community Art Center; doors open at 7pm; admission \$7, \$5 for performers.
- 1st Sundays*--Pullman District Walking Tours; 1:30pm, \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors. (**Group outing: October 1**, but of course, if you would like to organize your own visit, please do!)
- On **August 10 at 7pm**, we will have a viewing of the film "I Am Not Your Negro" here at Broadway.

Contact Ruthanne (ruthanne.v.swanson@gmail.com) with any questions!

Rooted is a leadership development retreat for ecumenical trans and gender-expansive Christians meant to revive our souls while we draw on spiritual inspiration and practical tools to develop our leadership in the world. We hope to create a collaborative space steeped in spiritual practice, artistic expression, worship, and community building. We will celebrate ourselves, our stories, and our community. **August 11-13, 2017**. Facilitators: Rev. Erin Swenson and J Mase III. Register at rmnetwork.org/rooted.

From Russia with Love: A benefit concert for Artem Kolesov and other LGBTQ refugees fleeing persecution. **Saturday, August 26 at 7pm at the Center on Halsted**. Part of the proceeds will benefit CLASP. More information on flyers in Friendship Hall.

A Church Picnic will be held after the 11am service **on Sunday, August 27**. Bring your lawn chairs!

Broadway UMC Calendar: Week of July 30, 2017

Sunday 9:00 a.m. **Service of Prayer and Preaching** [Sanctuary]

July 30 10:00 a.m. **Fellowship Time** [Friendship Hall]

10:00 a.m. **Adult Education Hour** [Volunteer Office]

11:00 a.m. **Festival Service** [Sanctuary]

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]

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. AA Group* [Area C]

August 1 7:00 p.m. NA Group* [Wesley Room]

Wednesday 12:15 p.m. AA Group* [Wesley Room]

August 2 5:30 p.m. **Sowers meeting** [Wesley Room]

5:30 p.m. **Sanctuary Prayer +** [Sanctuary]

7:00 p.m. **Education Hour: Lectionary Study +** [Volunteer Office]

7:00 p.m. Alanon Group* [Room B]

8:00 p.m. Candlelight AA Group* [Wesley Room]

Friday 6:00 p.m. AA Group* [Area C]

August 4 7:30 p.m. Alanon Group* [Room B]

Saturday 1:00 p.m. **YL 101** [Room A]

August 5



Zen Shiatsu You deserve stress relief! Zen Shiatsu can help relieve pain from muscle tension or chronic issues; help with insomnia, anxiety, depression, intestinal or stomach upset, and reduce overall stress. **June through August rates:** first treatment FREE then \$45/hour or \$22.50 half hour. BUMC Community 50% off. **Proceeds donated to Broadway Church as a fundraiser.** By appointment. Call or text Joy at 773-559-5902 or email joyfullyknit@gmail.com.



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*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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