



# BROADWAY

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

November 26, 2017

# Twenty-Fifth 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](http://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**

“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.”

~ Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Music of Gathering**

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

There is no power or authority that has dominion over the Holy.

**The presence of God in the world cannot be extinguished!**

In the life, death, and resurrection of Christ we witnessed the power of God.

**God’s power is Love. God’s power is Justice. God’s power is Compassion.**

Because of Christ, we too are capable of enfleshing God’s power.

**For the sake of nourishing the hungry, liberating the oppressed, clothing the naked, and caring for the sick!**

May we become the body of Christ in the places the world needs Love the most.

\* **Opening Hymn: “Gather Us In”** ..... FS 2236

\* **Opening Prayer**

**God of all people, you call ALL around your table of plenty. There are no signs or labels at your table unless we put them there. Tear down those labels erected by our hate, greed, and insecurity. Show us how to post “Welcome” signs. Let these signs be written in our eyes and in our actions, not just in our prayers alone. Prepare our hearts, O God, we pray. Amen.**

**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 within liturgy indicates congregational response.**

## 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

Ezekiel 34:11-16

For thus says Sovereign YHWH: I myself will search for my sheep; I will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when their flocks are scattered in every direction, so I will search for my sheep and rescue them, no matter where they scattered on that day of full clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the countries and bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by its streams and wherever there is a settlement. I will feed them on good pasture land, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing ground. I myself will tend my flock and have it lie down, thus says Sovereign YHWH. I will seek out the lost, I will return the strayed, I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and I will watch over the fat and the sleek. I will be a true shepherd to them.

May God bless the speaking and hearing of the Word.

**Amen.**

## Prayers of Confession

God, we give you thanks. In Christ you showed us how to use power for good.

**Gospel power confronts injustice. Gospel power breaks rules that destroy.**

**Gospel power bears with.**

Forgive us for the ways we have, instead, used power to dominate.

**Forgive us for the ways we have used power to avoid our responsibilities to those who are suffering.**

You have called the church to become the fullness of Christ's presence in the world and instead, we have asserted a power that excludes, a power that has done violence in your name, a power that bears over.

**We have even projected our own desire for control onto our Understanding of you.**

Forgive us, O God, and lead us into the kind of power that conquers death through works of radical love, compassion, and solidarity with the marginalized.

**We confess we often ignore the sins of our past generations who raised the banner of Christ while doing violence. We confess we are tempted to seek our own security in asserting power over others. We confess we are afraid to rely on the power of Love.**

*(Moment for prayerful reflection.)*

Friends, the Good News of Jesus Christ is that through grace, we are forgiven. Through this grace, we are offered the freedom to live differently. Though we will fall short again, and though we must remember our past so as not to repeat it, in confession and forgiveness, we move on from guilt and continue on our pursuit of Love and Justice. For grace that abounds, we give thanks. Amen.

**Scripture Reading**

Ezekiel 34:20-24

Therefore, thus says YHWH to you: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep, for you shove aside the weak with flank and shoulder; you butt them with your horns until they are scattered in every direction. I will save my flock and they will be ravaged no longer. I will judge between one sheep and another. I will set up over them one shepherd to care for them: my servant David. He will care for them and be their shepherd. And I, YHWH, will be their God, and my servant David will be their leader. I, YHWH, have spoken.

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Reflection: "My Life as a Fat Sheep"**

Rev. Eric Doolittle

**2017 Stewardship: Draw the Circle Wide**

*[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 Invitation to Offering**

God has given us the ability to influence the world in all the places it is crying out in pain. Wherever there is isolation, wherever there is hunger, wherever there is despair, God asks us "will you meet me there?" In gratitude to God for the gifts we have been given, and in commitment to building a community that has what it needs to meet God in the margins, we bring our offerings to God and one another.

**The Offering of Music**

**\*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, you have called your church to be the body of Christ - to put flesh onto the Love we encounter through you. Help us seize the power we have been given to face with courage and hope every obstacle in our pursuit of shared life in you, that we might make an impact where it matters most. Receive our offerings as one incarnation of our longings to live into the incredible task you have set before us. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn: “You Shall Go Out With Joy”**

**\*Sending Forth**

**Postlude**

*Scripture from The Inclusive Bible. Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2009. Liturgy from enfleshed. Opening Prayer adapted from [www.umdiscipleship.org/resources](http://www.umdiscipleship.org/resources). **You Shall Go Out With Joy (The Trees of the Field)** reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-718024 . **Pianist:** Jenn Peterson. **Organist:** Tim Barnes. **Reader:** Satia Orange.*

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**Welcome Chaplain Doolittle!**

Chaplain Eric Doolittle serves to connect people with their faith life. While he comes from a multi-generation United Methodist family, he seeks joy and fullness of life for all people in their faith journey. Over his fifteen years in ministry, he has helped guide people from Atheists to Zoroastrians as they explored the deeper implications of faith on vocation, purpose, and meaning. Before joining North Central College, Rev. Doolittle served at Georgetown University School of Law, Hiwassee College, and several congregations in East Tennessee.

As part of the Office of Ministry and Service, Chaplain Doolittle serves as a connection point and resource for the entire NCC family to a wide variety of faith resources. Beyond serving with the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church, he is a member of the Naperville Interfaith Leaders Association and One Naperville. On campus, Chaplain Doolittle works with the MENA studies program, the NetVUE advisory board, and the Cultural Affairs Committee, as well as the Voices of Praise and United student organizations. His programs include the Lux Veritas Speaker Series, Advent Devotional, annual Seder dinner, Mindful Meditation Series, Gospel Extravaganza, Dia de Los Muertos, and Baccalaureate.

Chaplain Eric is also a dedicated nerd – reveling in Star Wars, comic books, RPGs, and board games. He and his family can be spotted taking in the incredible range of sports and fine arts on campus and enjoying gelato downtown.



# DRAW THE CIRCLE WIDE!

## Broadway United 2017 Methodist Church

*My house will be called a HOUSE OF PRAYER for all nations*

*Isaiah 56:7*

### Draw the Circle Wide!: 2017 — Monthly Update

| Draw the Circle Wide              | Income       | Expenses     | Difference   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Quarter 1                         | \$39,137.91  | \$49,142.09  | -\$10,004.18 |
| Quarter 2                         | \$39,253.11  | \$50,694.06  | -\$11,440.95 |
| Quarter 3                         | \$38,848.86  | \$43,942.51  | -\$5,093.65  |
| October 2017                      | \$14,348.80  | \$14,671.77  | -\$322.97    |
| Bequest from Robert Fordham Trust | \$29,890.27  | n/a          | n/a          |
| YTD 2017                          | \$161,478.95 | \$158,450.43 | \$3,028.52   |

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TODAY — NOVEMBER 26, 2017

**Coffee Hour Goodies** Shout out to Osmium Coffee Bar for donating us the goodies for church and our community. Broadway community, please support them with your business. Osmium is located at 1117 W Belmont.

**Lifesavers at Broadway** Who has been a lifesaver recently at Broadway Church? A few examples of LifeSavers: Someone who's gone above and beyond. Someone who has pitched in to help at the last minute. Someone who's reliable and constant—who always completes a particular job or contributes to a regular event. We want to recognize each other for the contributions we each make to the life of Broadway Church. One way the Ministry Advocates Team wants to do this the new monthly LifeSaver Award at BUMC. **If you've noticed a LifeSaver in action, please nominate them for a LifeSaver Award:** Write their name and what you've noticed that makes them a LifeSaver, and deposit the slip into our ballot box outside the sanctuary. We'll celebrate a different LifeSaver each month, so be on the lookout for LifeSavers you can nominate!

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### THIS WEEK — NOVEMBER 27 TO DECEMBER 2, 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.

**Annual Church Conference** Broadway's Annual Church Charge Conference will be on **Monday, November 27, at 7pm.** All are invited!

## #GIVINGTUESDAY

**Giving Tuesday** Sharing our gifts is a spiritual discipline that helps us grow stronger as the body of Christ. The church's response to those in need is an expression of our faith, a confirmation of our discipleship and a witness to our love for our neighbors. On **Tuesday, November 28**, as part of Giving Tuesday, you can express the spiritual discipline of giving by donating to Broadway to help us continue to be a witness for God's justice and love. Give online at [www.BroadwayChurchChicago.com/give](http://www.BroadwayChurchChicago.com/give). Thank you!

**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. **WNL! Education Hour: Lectionary Study each Wednesday at 7pm.** We are meditating on, reflecting on, and discussing the lectionary scripture readings.



**A World AIDS Day prayer service**, on **Friday, December 1**, will take place at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, 708 West Belmont, **at 7 PM.** You are welcome to join the Archdiocesan Gay & Lesbian Outreach Chicago in prayerful support of persons living with HIV and in commending to God those persons who have died from AIDS. Contact: [david@aglochicago.org](mailto:david@aglochicago.org) for additional information.

**Hanging of the Greens** Join in the festivities, fellowship and fun with the annual Hanging of the Greens on **Saturday, December 2 at 2pm.** Help decorate Broadway Church for the joyous season of Advent and Christmas. Many hands make light work and we promise a great time. Come help us decorate, make new friends, rekindle old acquaintances and share in the spirit of the season that is Advent At Broadway!



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**NEXT SUNDAY — DECEMBER 3, 2017**

**First Sunday of Advent**      **Preaching:** Rev. Alka Lyall

**Lectionary:** Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37



**Advent Flower Order Form** See insert. Orders are due **next Sunday, December 3rd.**

**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."

**ONE Northside Neighborhood Stabilization Meeting** ONE Northside wants you to be part of their campaign to promote neighborhood stabilization. Neighborhood stabilization means: A neighborhood where long and short term renters are not forced to move due to the sale of their buildings. A neighborhood where both rich and poor renters are welcome. A neighborhood where affordable rental housing still exists. A neighborhood that is economically, racially and ethnically diverse. ONE Northside's affordable housing team is developing the Right To Purchase Ordinance that will give renters tools to remain in their affordable apartments and defend themselves against forced eviction when buildings are sold. Find out how the Right To Purchase Ordinance would slow down the sale of rental buildings when gentrification threatens the disappearance of affordable housing. Renters and affordable housing developers deserve the opportunity to keep buildings affordable! Renters Can Fight Back! Want to get involved? Join us at **2pm on Sunday, December 3rd**, here at Broadway.

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Save the Date** Broadway's Advent Concert will be on **Sunday, December 17 at 2pm.**

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**— NOW ACCEPTING —**

**Thank\$Giving  
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BROADWAY**

**STAFF**

*Tim*      *Perry*  
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*On behalf of the Relationship Builders Team,  
please consider giving to provide our church staff  
with a monetary holiday gift.*



# ADVENT SERMON SERIES

## #donotbeafraid

The angels that appear in the story of Jesus' birth would have been very comfortable in our world of tweets and hashtags. Their messages were often short and to the point- their favorite line being #DoNotBeAfraid.

As we look at the stories of these winged messengers to Zechariah, Mary, Joseph and the Shepherds and their reactions to them, we will contemplate what messages we can offer that will counteract a culture of fear in the world!

### **ADVENT 1    12/3/17    Make Ready a People: #morehope    Luke 1: 5-25, 57-80**

It was just another day for Zechariah, when an angel showed up at the altar. Have you ever had a moment in your life after which you knew nothing would ever be the same? In the midst of great change, God calls us to be messengers of *#morehope* in an ever-changing world.

### **ADVENT 2    12/10/17    Nothing is Impossible: #morepeace    Luke 1: 26-56**

Zechariah freaked out when the other-worldly creature appeared to him, but Mary replied, "Let it be so." Have you ever struggled with finding your purpose and being at peace with it? *#morepeace* in the world happens when all of us feel and live out that message each day.

### **ADVENT 3    12/17/17    Do Not Be Afraid: #morejoy    Matthew 1: 18-25**

Every angel seems to use "do not be afraid" as an opening line. But perhaps no one needed hear it more than Joseph. What was happening to him was the stuff that ruins lives. Keeping up "appearances" can rob us of our *#morejoy*. Let us be messengers of encouragement and steadfast support, as Joseph was, for that which the Spirit is birthing in the world.

### **ADVENT 4    12/24/17    This Will Be a Sign: #morelove    Luke 2: 1-20**



The sky was brighter than usual that night, making it easier to keep track of the sheep. That's what most of us look for--great big clues about God's presence. But instead, the angel says that a newborn helpless baby in a feeding trough was the sign. In a flash, the message was that *#morelove* is found where you least expect it and perhaps is already there residing in the ordinariness of your life.

### **CHRISTMAS EVE 12/24/17    Do Not be Afraid: #donotbeafraid    Luke 1**

"Yes, I believe there are angels among us. God calls us to be messengers of love, flying in the face of fear, and *#donotbeafraid*, for we are the Body of Christ."

### **SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS EVE 12/31/17    Kwanzaa**

**Broadway UMC Calendar: Week of November 26, 2017**

|                    |                                                                                           |                                                                                       |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday</b>      | 9:00 a.m. <b>Service of Prayer and Preaching</b> [Sanctuary]                              |                                                                                       |
| <b>November 26</b> | 10:00 a.m. <b>Fellowship Time</b> [Friendship Hall]                                       |                                                                                       |
|                    | 10:00 a.m. <b>Adult Education Hour</b> [Area C]                                           |                                                                                       |
|                    | 11:00 a.m. <b>Festival Service</b> [Sanctuary]                                            |                                                                                       |
|                    | 12:30 p.m. <b>Co-Lay Leaders Meeting</b> [Room B]                                         |                                                                                       |
|                    | 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]                                            |                                                                                       |
| <b>Monday</b>      | 2:00 p.m. Private Lessons [Sanctuary]                                                     |                                                                                       |
| <b>November 27</b> | 6:30 p.m. <b>Relationship Builders Meeting with District Superintendent</b> [Wesley Room] |                                                                                       |
|                    | 7:00 p.m. <b>Annual Church Conference +</b> [Sanctuary]                                   |                                                                                       |
| <b>Tuesday</b>     | <b>#GivingTuesday +</b>                                                                   |                                                                                       |
| <b>November 28</b> | 7:00 p.m. Allegrezza rehearsal [Sanctuary]                                                | <b>#GIVINGTUESDAY</b>                                                                 |
|                    | 7:00 p.m. AA Group* [Area C]                                                              |                                                                                       |
|                    | 7:00 p.m. NA Group* [Wesley Room]                                                         |                                                                                       |
| <b>Wednesday</b>   | 12:15 p.m. AA Group* [Wesley Room]                                                        |                                                                                       |
| <b>November 29</b> | 5:30 p.m. <b>Sanctuary Prayer +</b> [Sanctuary]                                           |                                                                                       |
|                    | 7:00 p.m. <b>Education Hour: Lectionary Study +</b> [Volunteer Office]                    |                                                                                       |
|                    | 7:00 p.m. Alanon Group* [Room B]                                                          |                                                                                       |
|                    | 8:00 p.m. Candlelight AA Group* [Wesley Room]                                             |                                                                                       |
| <b>Friday</b>      | 6:00 p.m. AA Group* [Area C]                                                              |  |
| <b>December 1</b>  | 7:00 p.m. World AIDS Day service + [Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 708 W Belmont]                |                                                                                       |
|                    | 7:30 p.m. Alanon Group* [Room B]                                                          |                                                                                       |
| <b>Saturday</b>    | 1:00 p.m. <b>YL 101</b> [Room A]                                                          |                                                                                       |
| <b>December 2</b>  | 2:00 p.m. <b>Hanging of the Greens +</b>                                                  |   |

**Bold face indicates BUMC sponsored activities**

\*Community Group

+ see announcements

# BROADWAY

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### 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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