



BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

October 27, 2019

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

CENTERING WORDS

"In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possessions and human successes, but on how well we have loved." ~ John of the Cross

PRELUDE: "He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought" (William B. Bradbury)

Timothy Barnes, organ

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise be to God who pours out Her spirit upon all life. She gives us everything we need to build beloved community.

Gathering us into Her dwelling place, She strengthens us.

In Her presence, the weary are renewed and joy is restored. From all the edges of the earth, She calls to those who desire to grow in Love. Coming home to the presence of God is also a coming home to each other.

With hearts awake to the wonder of this Sacred calling, we are called to worship God, to love and to serve our siblings in the world.

*OPENING HYMN: "We Are Called" FS 2172

*OPENING PRAYER

God, make us sincere in spirit. Whether we find ourselves being humbled before one another or extending mercy to a neighbor, may we mean what we say and what we do. Lead us in pursuit of authentic relationship with one another, hindered neither by pride nor pretense nor fear. With the Spirit of Christ as our guide, may it be so.

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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE RECEPTION OF PERSONS INTO COVENANT WITH BROADWAY UMC:
Whitney Badoer, Michele Breeze, Felipe Foucher, John Scott, Nicole Williams**

THE CHARGE

Beloveds, there are some among us who have prepared themselves for membership and wish to be in covenant with our community of faith.

Let them present themselves. Please come forward at this time.

Before they take their vows, will you give them the charge of membership?

We charge you to remember our identity. We are a diverse people united by the Spirit revealed in Jesus. Though we are many, like a family we are one. We are a single gathering yet part of a great community. We are the Broadway congregation. We are the United Methodist denomination. We are the church of Jesus Christ. We charge you to remember what we are about. We follow Christ. In Christ's name we gather to give praise and learn: we worship, we study, we tell the story. In Christ's name we go forth to serve and share. We live and love in the world for its health and its healing. We charge you to be one with us: we are weak, we are strong, much of the time we fail to be what we say we are. To some we look like hypocrites, to others like saints. But, in weakness and in strength, we are bound to one another and to God with a promise. We charge you now to make that promise.

THE VOWS AND RESPONSE

THE BLESSING

THE RESPONSE OF THE COMMUNITY

We welcome you to the Body of Christ in this place and with this community. We celebrate that the company of Christ's disciples is richer for your presence. May you be filled with the Holy Spirit. May your proclamation of the Word, in whatever form, be enabling. May your life lived in mission be a challenge. And may the Creator's power sustain you and give you comfort. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE: "Bind Us Together" FS 2226

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Joy to My Soul" (traditional Gospel tune) Robert Galbreath, Jr., soloist

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-2, 16

As Christ's coworkers we beg you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For God says through Isaiah, "At the acceptable time I heard you, and on the day of salvation I helped you." Now is the acceptable time! Now is the day of salvation!...The Temple of God has nothing in common with idols,

for we are the Temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people."

SCRIPTURE READING: Philippians 3:13b

[From Paul and Timothy:] "I give no thought to what lies behind, but I push on to what is ahead."

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

MESSAGE

Jon Fallon

HYMN OF RESPONSE: "Walk With Me" see insert

[Pledge cards may be brought up during the singing of this hymn.]

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.]

Beloveds, in community we take care of each other. We take responsibility for each other. We seek one another's wellness and we welcome those who are searching for belonging. With a shared commitment to this embodiment of God's love, and in gratitude for what we have already received from one another, let us bring together our gifts and our offerings.

OFFERTORY SONG: "You Can't Beat God Giving" (Doris Akers) see lyrics below

**You can't beat God giving, no matter how you try.
And just as sure as you are living, and God is in heaven on high,
The more you give the more God gives to you.
Just keep on giving because it's really true
that you can't beat God giving, no matter how you try.**

*DOXOLOGY [tune # 95]

[You are invited to sing in one of these languages or in the language of your heart.]

[Español:] **A Dios el Padre Celestial Al hijo nuestro Redentor
Y al eterno Consolador Unidos todos alabad. Amen.**

[English:] **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy One, in whatever ways we have wandered from right-relationship with you, our neighbors, or ourselves—restore us. Bring us back to our place in the whole of things—none more or less valuable than another. May we share justly and equitably all that we have materially, spiritually, and relationally. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: "We Are Marching" FS 2235b

* B E N E D I C T I O N

To show up to the world with humility and courage. To serve the common good. To find joy and rest in the embrace of God. These are the simple tasks of our faith.

God has given us what we need to live our beliefs. Let us go and love one another. Amen.

POSTLUDE: Excerpt from "Toccatina and Fugue in D Minor" (Johann S. Bach) Timothy Barnes, organ



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CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL PEOPLE

We are black, brown, red, yellow, white, and all the colors of God's created rainbow. We are lesbian, gay, bisexual, asexual, and straight. We are transgender, intersex, female, male, gender fluid. We are queer. We are questioning. We are every age. We are every ability. We are every economic & theological location. We are YOU.

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