



# BROADWAY

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

November 17, 2019

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

### CENTERING WORDS

"Just because I don't feel a lot of hope doesn't mean I'm not going to do anything. We can slow down the damage if enough people care. The trick is to make sure that we don't let that hopelessness keep you from doing anything. Don't let it stop you from doing the work that needs to be done."

~ Roxanne

PRELUDE: "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" (John B. Dykes)

Timothy Barnes, organ

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

With eyes on the horizon, we press on in Love.

**Holy will be the day when the wolf and lamb feed together.**

Peace will govern the land and all destruction will cease.

**The lion will eat straw like the ox. And gentleness will be our teacher.**

The seas will roar and the hills will clap their hands as evil and oppression are washed away.

**The joy of the earth will be restored when justice comes to dwell. Let us rejoice! For we know that God is stirring.**

May a new day dawn and the presence of God take on flesh anew.

\*OPENING HYMN: "Shout to the Lord" ..... FS 2074

[Mack Owings, guitar; Robert Galbreath, Jr., piano; George Banks, drums]

### \*OPENING PRAYER

**God, do not let us grow weary in doing what is right. When struggle comes, may we be encouragers of one another, confident in the holy potential of pursuing what is just. Do not let us be led astray by fatigue or lost to despair, but keep us centered in the nourishment of Love's way. Amen.**

\* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

*Bold type indicates congregational response.*

## 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!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## PASTORAL PRAYER

THE PRAYER OF JESUS *[You are invited to say this prayer in the language of your heart.]*

**Our God in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 12

On that Day, Israel will say: "I praise you, YHWH! Yes, you were angry with me, but your anger has abated and now you are a comfort to me. You are my deliverer, O God! I trust you and am no longer afraid of you—you are my strength and my refuge. You are my deliverer." With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And on that Day you will say: "Give thanks to YHWH, invoke God's holy Name! Make known among all the people what YHWH has done. Proclaim that God's Name is exalted. Sing praises to YHWH, for God has triumphed. Let this be known throughout the world! Cry out, shout aloud, you who dwell in Zion, for the Holy One of Israel dwells among us in majesty!"

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

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" (Andre Thomas)

## SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

[From Paul, Silas and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians:] In the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, we urge you, sisters and brothers, to keep away from anyone who refuses to work and live according to the teachings we passed on to you. You know how you ought to imitate us. We didn't live undisciplined lives when we were among you, nor did we depend on anyone for food. Rather, we worked night and day, laboring to the point of exhaustion so as not to impose on any of you—not that we had no claim on you, but that we might present ourselves as an example for you to imitate. Indeed, when we were with you we used to lay down the rule that anyone who didn't work didn't eat. We hear that some of you are undisciplined, doing no work at all, but acting like busybodies. We command all such people and urge you strongly in our Savior Jesus Christ, to earn the food you eat by working hard and keeping quiet. My sisters and brothers, never tire of doing what is right.

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

As Love draws near, we know that evil rises to defend itself. Beloveds, let us not get discouraged. God is faithful. God is just. God births new worlds among us. In gratitude, let us bring our gifts to the building of Sacred Community.

OFFERTORY HYMN: "Give Thanks" ..... FS 2036

\*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

**God of endings and beginnings, you are no stranger to change. You have seen this planet  
and its creatures through age after age, loving it in all its forms. Though we tremble at  
uncertainty, your care is steady, abiding, enduring. We give you thanks, and pray for the  
faith to be patient in times of transition. May Divine Wisdom be our firm foundation. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN: "Marching to Zion" ..... # 733

\*BENEDICTION

Friends, let us not grow weary in telling the truth, in loving one another, in casting our lot with the oppressed, or in delighting in the beauty that persists around us.

**Today and always, may we uphold one another as God upholds us.**

In the company of Christ, let us go in peace. **AMEN.**

POSTLUDE: "How Like a Gentle Spirit" (Alfred Morton Smith)

Timothy Barnes, organ

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*Liturgy adapted from enfleshed.com and worshipdesignstudio.com. Scripture from The Inclusive Bible. Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2009.*

## 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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