

BROADWAY UMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY — NOVEMBER 24, 2019

Adult Sunday School is on Sunday mornings from 10:15-10:45am. Come to church a little early, grab a cup of coffee, and join us for some inspiration before the 11am service!

A sign-up form for **Liturgists and Hospitality Volunteers** is online at <https://signup.com/go/qeDmtnS>. You may also contact the office to volunteer.

The **Broadway United Methodist Choir** is a dynamic opportunity for anyone who loves to sing to contribute to ministry. The choir welcomes singers of all experience levels, and we pursue a diverse repertoire. Join us for rehearsals **Thursday evenings at 7:00pm and Sunday mornings at 10am!** Questions? Contact Robert Eldridge Galbreath, Jr, Director of Music Ministries, at ziggy6870@gmail.com.

2020 Stewardship: Onward & Upward. *"I give no thought to what lies behind, but I push on to what is ahead."* ~ *Philippians 3:13b*. On Stewardship Sunday we pledged ourselves and our resources to the continued ministry here at Broadway. **So far we have 30 pledges for a total of \$76,646 pledged!** If you have not turned your pledge in yet, please find a pledge card on the table outside the Sanctuary or fill out the [online pledge form](#) (click the link at www.broadwaychurchchicago.com/give) and **make a commitment** to continue the inclusive ministry here on the corner of Broadway and Buckingham.

THIS WEEK — NOVEMBER 25 TO 30, 2019

If you aren't already subscribed to our **Weekly E-News**, click the link on our [website](#) or on our [facebook page](#) or send an email to the [church office](#).

Upcoming church meeting: **Broadway Ministry Advocates** on Monday, November 25th at 6:30pm. This meeting is open to the congregation.

Advent Study—Low: An Honest Advent Devotional. Amidst the bright lights and wrappings of a sentimentally saturated Christmas season, we tend to forget about the gritty, messy reality of the Advent story as it was experienced 2,000 years ago. In this honest Advent devotional, we are reminded that God came to meet us in the low places of our lives, and that Jesus continues to come low this Advent season. When we plant our feet firmly in the dirt of everyday life, we see Jesus meeting us in the low places. As we walk the road of Advent, Jesus reminds us the invitation is not to escape this world to an elevated Heaven somewhere else, but to bring Heaven down. "God with us" is Jesus, getting low. Come join us on **Wednesdays at 7pm (Nov. 27, Dec. 4 & 11)**. You can get the devotional book from Pastor Alka, at a discounted price of \$4, thanks to a generous donation of a Broadway member.



The church office will be closed Thursday and Friday this week. We wish you the gift of faith and the blessing of hope this thanksgiving day!

Join in the festivities, fellowship and fun with the annual **Hanging of the Greens** on Saturday, November 30th from 9:30-11:30am and Sunday, December 1st after the 11am service. 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!



NEXT SUNDAY — DECEMBER 1, 2019

First Sunday of Advent: SACRED Time

Preaching: Rev. Alka Lyall

COMING SOON



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, December 3rd, 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. Thank you!

Orders for **Advent Flowers** will be due on Sunday, December 8th. [See insert.](#)

Leap of Faith. Saturday, December 14, 2019; 1—3 pm. Northbrook UMC (1190 Western Ave, Northbrook, IL 60062). R.S.V.P.: David Braden (debraden@gmail.com) & Sue Laurie, CoFacilitators. The purpose of this gathering is to bring together local churches and communities in the Northern Illinois Annual Conference to consider going through an official discernment process—modeled on the process developed in the New England Annual Conference—to determine whether they desire to remain in or leave the denomination. We do not know what the future holds for the UMC, but times such as these call for a *Leap of Faith*. More information is available on the flyer in Friendship Hall, in our e-news and [on our website](#).

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Blue Christmas Service** on Wednesday, December 18th at 7pm. (See insert.)
- **Movie Night** on Saturday, December 21st at 5pm.
- **Christmas Eve services** will be at 4:30 and 7pm.
- **Christmas Carol Sing** on Sunday, December 29. **ONE SERVICE at 11am.** Join us for a service of singing! Our Director of Music Ministries, Robert Galbreath, Jr., will lead the congregation in Christmas carols, prayers, and hymns.
- **Kwanzaa Service** on Sunday, January 5. **ONE SERVICE at 11am.** (Our observance of Holy Communion will move from the 1st Sunday of the month to the 2nd Sunday of the month — January 12.)
- **Winter Warming** on Saturday, January 18th at Community UMC in Naperville.



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

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