

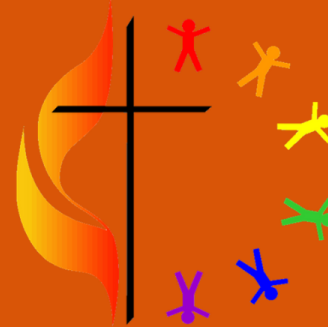
# BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*ONWARD & UPWARD 2020*

## *Festival Service*

September 20, 2020

11:00 a.m.



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### GATHERING OF COMMUNITY

### CENTERING WORDS

"Bitterness is like cancer. It eats upon the host. But anger is like fire. It burns it all clean."

~ Maya Angelou

### CENTERING MUSIC

### OPENING PRAYER

Gracious One, we know your Spirit moves at a peculiar pace. You do not rush our growth or push us beyond our capabilities, but neither do you cease calling us away from what destroys. Though we move slowly, may we be willing partners in our own transformation and faithful to the urgent cries of this time. **Amen.**

### WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

(Please check in on [Facebook](#) and/or on Twitter @ChicagoBUMC.)

Welcome to worship, God's beloved! **YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 20:1-16 (Inclusive Bible)

[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven is like the owner of an estate who went out at dawn to hire workers for the vineyard. After reaching an agreement with them for the usual daily wage, the owner sent them out to the vineyard. About mid-morning, the owner came out and saw others standing around the marketplace without work, and said to them, 'You go along to my vineyard

and I will pay whatever is fair.' At that they left. Around noon and again in the mid-afternoon, the owner came out and did the same. Finally, going out late in the afternoon, the owner found still others standing around and said to them, 'Why have you been standing here idle all day?' 'No one has hired us,' they replied. The owner said, 'You go to my vineyard, too. When evening came, the owner said to the overseer, 'Call the workers and give them their pay, but begin with the last group and end with the first.' When those hired late in the afternoon came up, they received a full day's pay, and when the first group appeared they assumed they would get more. Yet they all received the same daily wage. Thereupon they complained to the owner, 'This last group did only an hour's work, but you've put them on the same basis as those who worked a full day in the scorching heat.' 'My friends,' said the owner to those who voiced this complaint, 'I do you no injustice. You agreed on the usual wage, didn't you? Take your pay and go home. I intend to give this worker who was hired last the same pay as you. I'm free to do as I please with my money, aren't I? Or are you envious because I am generous?' Thus the last will be first and the first will be last."

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

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

HYMN: "Pues Si Vivimos (When We Are Living)"

# 356 vs. 1, 4 (lyrics below for remote use only)

**1. When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus, and when we're dying, it is in the Lord.  
Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to God, we belong to God.**

**1. Pues si vivimos, para Él vivimos y si morimos para Él morimos.  
Sea que vivamos o que muramos, somos del Señor, somos del Señor.**

**4. Across this wide world, we shall always find those who are crying with no peace of mind,  
but when we help them, or when we feed them, we belong to God, we belong to God.**

**4. En este mundo, hemos de encontrar gente que llora y sin consolar.  
Sea que ayudemos o que alimentemos, somos del Señor, somos del Señor.**

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 kindom 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 kindom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" (Jennie Wilson)

Abe Lyall and Robert Galbreath, Jr.

SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 16:2-15 (Inclusive Bible)

They began to complain against Moses and Aaron there in the wilderness. The people of Israel said to them, "If only we had died by YHWH's hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat next to pots of meat and ate our bread till we were filled! But now you have brought the whole community out into this wilderness to die of hunger!" Then YHWH said to Moses, "Look, I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people will go out and gather a day's portion every day, so that I can test them to see if they will follow my instructions. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they brought in, it will be twice as much as the daily gathering." So Moses and Aaron said to the

Israelites, “In the evening you will know that it was YHWH who brought you up out of Egypt, and in the morning you will witness the glory of God, the One to whom you directed your complaints—for who are we, that you should complain to us?” Moses continued, “It is YHWH who will give you meat in the evening for your meal, and all the bread you want in the morning, because YHWH has heard your complaints. For it is not to us that you are complaining—who are we?—but to YHWH.” Then Moses said to Aaron, “Tell the whole Israelite community, ‘Present yourselves before YHWH, who has heard your complaints.’” As Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of YHWH appearing in the form of a cloud. Then YHWH spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the people of Israel. Say this to them: ‘In the evening you will eat meat, and in the morning you will have your fill of bread. Then you will know the I, YHWH, am your God.’” So it came about that in the evening quail flew in and all around the camp. And in the morning there was a layer of dew all around the camp; when the layer of dew evaporated, there on the surface of the desert were flakes of something: delicate, powdery, fine as frost. When they saw this, the people of Israel said to each other, “What is it?”—not knowing what it was. But Moses told them, “This is the bread YHWH has given you to eat.”

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

MESSAGE

Rev. Alka Lyall

#### 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.]*

In the midst of struggle, collective and personal, this community is meant to be a holy refuge. Here, we are invited to be real about our lives—what makes us weep or rage or feel nothing at all. We hear one another and hold one another, seeking wisdom together. In gratitude for this gift and God's presence with us, let us bring our offerings.



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WAYS TO GIVE: **Mail a check** (Broadway Church, 3338 N. Broadway St., Chicago, IL 60657), **drop off a check** in our mailbox, **set up recurring giving** or make a **one-time contribution** through your bank account or credit card through **Vanco here** or by scanning the QR code above, **Zelle** (send to [bumclakeview@gmail.com](mailto:bumclakeview@gmail.com)), or **text** the amount you wish to donate to 833-990-2149 (You'll receive a registration link the first time. For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give, and it will process automatically.)

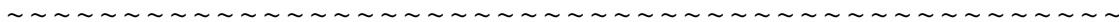
#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Holy One, though we bring our gifts with gratitude, we confess we do not always feel grateful. The cruelty that surrounds can strip joy from our spirits. We can struggle to connect with sources of goodness and beauty in the midst. On those days, still your grace keeps us. For every little gift that sustains life within and around, we give thanks. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

We are not sent from here to simply rejoin the ordinary patterns of the world. The task of radical love calls us to a different way. As prophets break silences that oppress, righteous anger cracks open holy possibilities, and saints who went before us cry out from the past, let us go and declare the nearness of the Kindom, and offer ourselves faithfully to the labors of liberation.  
**Amen.**

POSTLUDE: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (Edward Perronet) Robert Galbreath, Jr., piano



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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.

**Welcome to God's Beloved Community at Broadway.**

**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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## BROADWAY UMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Quick Links for In-Person Worship

If you would like to attend Worship in-person, please [register here](#). (link also available on our website) Then read the [safety measures on our events page here](#) before attending.



### #30DaysAntiRacism

Join us this September for 30 days of anti-racism. Each day we will engage in an activity that helps us to become more anti-racist in the ways we think and act. To learn more about the project, and to access the expanded calendar, visit <https://www.gcorr.org/30-days-of-anti-racism/>.



### Housing Saves Lives

HUD needs to hear from responsible citizens, like you, demanding them to maintain their equal access policy. Please visit <https://housingsaveslives.org> to let HUD know that #housingsaveslives. They need to hear from us **by September 22nd**.

### September Mission Minute: Arise Chicago

[Arise Chicago](#) was founded by a diverse group of religious leaders in 1991 looking to address systemic poverty in the Chicagoland area. As the number of Chicago workers facing harsh working conditions grew, so did Arise Chicago. With the knowledge that all workers are created in the image of God and therefore deserving of dignity and respect, religious leaders supported workers so their dignity was upheld in the workplace. To date, Arise Chicago has partnered with nearly 4,000 workers to recover more than \$6,300,000 in stolen wages and compensation and to eradicate harassment and discrimination from the workplace. Also, in response to the need for systemic change, Arise Chicago has partnered with several religious, community, labor, and academic community partners to seek changes in public policy which will lead to a fuller measure of God's justice in the workplace. Please support the work of Arise Chicago as they continue to work towards changing the system and defend worker rights. Visit our [donation page](#) to give. (Indicate Mission Minute in memo.)



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