

BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEW BEGINNINGS 2021

Festival Service

January 10, 2021

11:00 a.m.



Bold type in purple indicates congregational response. (Blue text indicates online links.)

PRELUDE: "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" (B.F. White)

[Robert Galbreath, Jr.]

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost;
to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest;
to labor and not to ask for any reward, except that of knowing that we do your will;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** (~ Ignatius of Loyola 16th century)

OPENING HYMN: "Morning Has Broken"

UMH # 145

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

(Please check in on [Facebook](#) and/or on Twitter @ChicagoBUMC. **We have an online Friendship Pad!**
Click [here](#) to record your presence.)

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

SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 1:1-5 (Inclusive Bible)

In the Beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. But the earth became chaos and emptiness, and darkness came over the face of the Deep—yet the Spirit of God was brooding over the surface of the waters. Then God said, "Light: Be!" and light was. God saw that light was good, and God separated light from darkness. God called the light "Day" and the darkness "Night." Evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

This is the Word of God for all of God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

TIME FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 1:4-11 (Inclusive Bible)

And so John the Baptizer appeared in the desert, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to John and were baptized by him in the Jordan River as they confessed their sins. John was clothed in camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist, and he ate nothing but grasshoppers and wild honey. In the course of his preaching, John said, "One more powerful than I is to come after me. I am not fit to stoop and untie his sandal straps. I have baptized you in water, but the One to come will baptize you in the Holy Spirit." It was then that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan River by John. Immediately upon coming out of the water, Jesus saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. Then a voice came from the heavens: "You are my Beloved, my Own. On you my favor rests."

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MESSAGE

[Rev. Alka Lyall]

HYMN: "Water Has Held Us"

URW # 187

(This hymn is sung to melody, BUNESSAN, known as the tune for "Morning Has Broken.")

- 1. Water has held us, moved by creation. Out of dark chaos, broke forth the light.
Up from the deluge, showing God's promise, Has come a rainbow, gladdening sight.**
- 2. Water has saved us, as the sea parted, For Israel's children, walled on each side.
This love has led us, helped us in trouble, On far horizon, God's cloud our guide.**
- 3. Water has cleansed us, bathed with forgiveness, Has, with clear blessing, washed sin away.
Jordan's strong currents God's Son announcing, Made a beginning, baptismal day.**
- 4. Water has touched us, fresh on our foreheads, Showing an inward, spiritual grace.
Into God's family we have been welcomed. As God's own children, we take our place.**

LITURGY TO REMEMBER OUR BAPTISM

Do you reject the evil powers/actions of this world, and repent of all that we may have knowingly or unknowingly done to harm another human? **YES**

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives us to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? **YES**

Do you commit to put your whole trust in God's grace, and promise to serve God, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races? **YES**

...Let us pray: **We give thanks to you God, for all that has already been given to us and we renew our covenant to be faithful to our faith by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, and that in everything we do, God may be glorified. In your Holy name we pray, AMEN.**

MISSION MINUTE: Heifer International

Heifer International's mission is to work with communities to end world hunger and poverty and to care for the Earth. Dan West was a farmer from the American Midwest and member of the Church of the Brethren who went to the front lines of the Spanish Civil War as an aid worker. His mission was to provide relief, but he soon discovered the meager single cup of milk rationed to the weary refugees once a day was not enough. And then he had a thought: What if they had not a cup, but a cow? That "teach a man to fish" philosophy is what drove West to found Heifer International. And now, nearly 70 years later, that philosophy still inspires our work to end world hunger and poverty throughout the world once and for all. Heifer International is a Rainbow Covenant mission of the UM, www.heifer.org. Visit them to find out how goat farmers were able to find success in Festival sales, in spite of Covid-19 complications. About the Rainbow Covenant: The first mile in becoming a Rainbow Covenant Church is to fully participate in the mission and ministry of the Northern Illinois Conference through 100% apportionment giving. The second mile of giving is becoming a Rainbow Covenant Church, by supporting a designated mission within each color of the rainbow. The Sowers know that BUMC has not yet met the 100% apportionment goal; so while we are not a Rainbow Covenant Church, we strive to incorporate at least one Rainbow mission project in our yearly missions. Heifer Int'l is an orange band project, and you may learn more about the advance. The great news about Rainbow Covenant missions is that NIC ensures 100% of all gifts to a Rainbow Covenant mission project goes directly to that mission or project! Throughout the year, Sowers will alert members to the projects that come within the Rainbow giving. Visit our [donation page](#) to give. (Indicate Mission Minute in memo.)

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 gratitude for God's sustaining presence made manifest in this community and in all the relationships that hold us up in times of struggle, we give back in whatever forms we can so that we might show up for others, putting flesh onto the scripture's promise that there is no time, place, or circumstance where Love does not extend.



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

WAYS TO GIVE: **Mail a check** (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), or **text** the amount you wish to donate to 833-990-2149.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sacred Presence, we know there are always people struggling to feel or believe Love is with them—in their hunger, shame, relational struggles, health, or oppression. Receive our gifts and offerings and make them signs of your love where they are needed most. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

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.

CLOSING HYMN: "Sent Out in Jesus' Name"

FS 2184

BENEDICTION

Go in the assurance that the hands of the Holy One intricately wove us into being, and also did the same in each of our neighbors. God's delight in all of creation abounds. Go in peace and share the good news. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: "Wade in the Water" (Traditional Spiritual)

[Robert Galbreath, Jr.]

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*Liturgy adapted from Worship Design Studio and [enfleshed.com](http://enfleshed.com).*

## BROADWAY UMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Interested in more announcements? [Sign up for our weekly eNews here](#) (or on our [website](#)).

### MLK Day Special Event

The Anti-racism Task Force's Justice Generation invites you to join them for a celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on **Monday, January 18, 6:30-8:00pm**. Guest Speakers are Rev. Darneather Murph-Heath & Rev. Ronald Graham. See flyer below for additional details. [Zoom \(video\) link here](#). The Justice Generation (JG) is a youth initiative of the Northern Illinois Conference Anti-racism Task Force established to raise up prophetic faith-inspired youth and young adult voices to speak out and act against racism. JG is a 10-month program that began in August 2020 and our plans are to have JG continue as an annual reoccurring program. Blessings, Susan Dal Porto, Rev. Jeremiah Thompson & the Justice Generation Leadership Team



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**Virtual Winter Event**

**Saturday, Jan. 23, 2021**  
**9:30 am to 2 pm**

**Faith and the Prison Pipeline:**  
Understanding and Interpreting the School-to-Prison Pipeline

Music + Speakers + Breakouts

[umcnic.org/calendar/umw-mission-u-2](http://umcnic.org/calendar/umw-mission-u-2)



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OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### UMW Virtual Winter Event

**Faith and the Prison Pipeline:**  
**Understanding and interpreting the**  
**School-to-Prison Pipeline**

**Saturday, January 23, 2021; 9:30am-2pm**

Guest speakers will explore/reflect on how children and youth are rerouted by systems and institutions and funneled away from educational success towards the criminal justice system. Click [here](#) for more information and to **register by January 18th**.

### Quick Links for Worship

If you are willing to **assist in worship by reading** our Centering Words, Opening Prayer, Offering Invitation/Prayer, or Scripture, please [sign up here](#).

## Mitten Tree

We have a Mitten Tree outside our building, inviting the community to **ADD items if they can, and take anything they might NEED!** We invite you to contribute also. Feel free to bring your donations of hats, scarves, gloves, mittens or socks whenever you can and add them to the tree. **Socks are especially needed. Items should be NEW and put in plastic bags to protect them from the weather.** And while you are thinking of it, pick up a can or two of non-perishable food items and donate that to our Community Food Pantry!

## Stewardship 2021: New Beginnings

By completing and returning a pledge card, you are expressing your intent and affirming your desire to honor God with your resources. Returning your pledge card makes it possible for our church to plan and implement ministries without hesitation. Knowing your plans allows wise management of resources throughout the year. All ministries our church implements are dependent on the generosity of God's people. You may [print and fill out a pledge card](#), fill out a [pledge form online](#), or contact the [church office](#) and let us know your 2021 pledge.

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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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**YOU ARE INVITED:
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
CELEBRATION**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
SPECIAL PROGRAM
JANUARY 18, 2020, 6:30 - 8:00 PM**

**FEATURING GUEST SPEAKERS:
REV. RONALD GRAHAM
and
REV. DARNEATHER MURPH-HEATH**



Do you know what and where Westminster Abbey is?

This statute of Martin Luther King stands there, along with nine other statues - "Ten Modern Martyrs" sculpted by Artist Tim Crawley. Observe Rev. Dr. King and the child seated below him. What do you notice?

Why do think the artist included a child?
What do you think the child is looking at?
What do you imagine Rev. Dr. King might be saying?

Rev. Ronald Graham

retired Methodist Pastor, was a friend of Martin Luther King Jr. when they were students at Boston University. Rev. Graham was also a friend of assassinated Black Panther leader, Fred Hampton when he was a pastor in Maywood, IL. He also participated in the voting rights march in Selma, AL. Rev. Graham led his congregations through nearly four decades of ministry, and engaged in the wider community to stand up for racial justice. He will share some of his experiences and insights from a lifetime for working to end racism.

Rev. Darneather Murph-Heath

currently serves as District Superintendent of the Elgin District UMC. She will talk to us about how the church and each of us can act to overcome systemic racism.



A Zoom link for this meeting will be emailed to you a few days prior to the event.

[Click here for Zoom link by video.](#)