



BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 a.m.

March 31, 2019

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

Fourth Sunday in Lent: *Do Not Worry*



PRELUDE: "Be Still, My Soul" (music by Jean Sibelius)

Tim Barnes, organ

INTROIT: "Come and Find the Quiet Center" FS 2128, vs. 1

INTRODUCTION OF THE SERIES

OPENING HYMN: "Come Away with Me" FS 2202

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!**

CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY

Before you settle back into your seats, take time to connect with the people around you, starting the conversation this way, **“How are you caring for you today?”**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL ANTHEM

Broadway Choir

*SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 12:29-34

[Jesus said:] “As for you, don’t set your hearts on what you’ll eat or what you’ll drink. Stop worrying! All the nations of the world seek these things, yet your Abba God well knows what you need. Set your sights on the kingdom of God, and all these other things will be given to you as well. Fear not, little flock, for it has pleased your Abba to give you the kingdom. Sell what you own and give the money to poorer people. Make purses for yourselves that don’t wear out—treasures that won’t fail you, in heaven that thieves can’t steal and moths can’t destroy. For wherever your treasure is, that’s where your heart will be.”

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

Thanks be to God. Amen.

REFLECTION

Student Pastor Savannah Gross

“TIME OUT” FOR PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN: “Sanctuary” FS 2164

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For striving for material things just to fill a void... **forgive us, O God.**

For the times when our unburdening burdens the earth... **forgive us, O God.**

Help us lay down the “shoulds” that dominate our lives, and let go of any unhealthy drive to succeed and seek the journey of true fulfillment.

Help us to seek your kin-dom by focusing on that which sustains love and justice, for this is the real treasure of this world.

You do not ask us to suffer without the things we need,

just to be mindful to live simply so that others may simply live.

We are your children, siblings to one another.

We bring our petitions to you this day, O God. Here are the people and things we are worried about and yet know that we cannot control:

[Prayers can be named out loud or in silence.]

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.

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.]

Friends, God calls us to the work of collective reconciliation from where we are. The work, the offerings, the commitments - they don't look the same for everyone. Our journeys are unique but our callings are inseparable. In trust that God will guide us together, even from our different locations, let us bring what we have to this community of faith.

*DOXOLOGY..... [tune # 95]

**For time to savor God's good gifts, For space to breathe and hearts to lift
For ways to reach out and to give, We offer thanks and vow to live! AMEN.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, receive these offerings as signs of our thanks and praise. Over and over, you extend to us the opportunity to join you in the work of justice, of redemption, of healing. Make us faithful stewards of your grace, O God. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: "How Great Thou Art" # 77

*BLESSING FOR THE UNHURRIED LIFE

May we clear out the clutter to discover the "more" of less.

May we release the striving in favor of the relishing. May we find true treasure and share it with wild abandon.

And may we be reacquainted each day with an unhurried God who is calling us to dive deeply into love. **AMEN.**

POSTLUDE: "Take Time to be Holy" (music by G.C. Stebbins)

Tim Barnes, organ



* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Bold type indicates congregational response.

Invitation to Lenten Practices

In this bulletin is an insert for your personal Lenten practice of the Prayer Chair. Also—the God Box will be available here in the sanctuary throughout the season whenever you need to add to it.



Our 2019 Lenten Series is adapted from Marcia McFee's Worship Design Studio. Liturgy adapted from enfleshed.com. Scripture from The Inclusive Bible. Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2009

2019 Lenten Series

Busy

We'll discern the cost of being busy
- Change STRESSED to DESSERTS
- LISTEN being SILENT

March 6- Ash Wednesday
March 10- Lent 1
March 17- Lent 2 (led by men)
March 24- Lent 3
March 31- Lent 4
April 7- Lent 5
April 14- Palm Sunday
April 18- Maundy Thursday
All night PRAYER VIGIL
April 19- Good Friday
April 21- Easter Sunday
SONrise service
Easter Sunday Breakfast

Reconnecting with an Unhurried God

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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