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GATHERING OF COMMUNITY

CENTERING WORDS

"What if we build a world where accountability isn't scary? It will never be easy or comfortable, but what if it's not scary? And what if it's not something we're running from? Because, honestly, a lot of people don't care whether they do something wrong. They're more afraid of getting caught." ~ Mia Mingus

CENTERING MUSIC: "Be Thou My Vision"

Opening Words

Opening Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

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

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

TIME FOR PRAYER

During this series we will start our prayer time with images of the "rich" beauty around us. To be in a "wonder-full" life is to live that life in wonder and awe of the gifts surrounding us each and every moment.

Let us pray: Creating God, for the awesome wonders of creation, the abundant feast of family and friends, the plentiful riches of your presence among us, We give thanks.

We are so grateful, O God, for...

Loving God, for those times that feel rife with heartbreak, too much stress and too little assurance, a plethora of pain and not enough possibility, Be with us.

We lift to You, O God...

Gracious God, for those times when our contributions bring more negativity than positivity, more resentment than forgiveness, more breaking down than lifting up, Forgive us!

In this time of silence we open our hearts and make our personal and private petitions...[silence]

God, you hold nothing against us. You forgive us always, for which we are deeply grateful, and we commit to create more good in the world. Amen.

HYMN: "It Is Well With My Soul"

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 22:15-22 (Inclusive Bible)

Then the Pharisees went off and began to plot how they might trap Jesus by his speech. They sent their disciples to Jesus, accompanied by sympathizers of Herod, who said, "Teacher, we know you're honest and teach God's way sincerely. You court no one's favor and don't act out of respect for important people. Give us your opinion, then, in this case. Is it lawful to pay tax to the Roman emperor, or not?" Jesus recognized their bad faith and said to them, "Why are you trying to trick me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin which is used to pay the tax." When they handed Jesus a small Roman coin, Jesus asked them, "Whose head is this, and whose inscription?" "Caesar's," they replied. At that, Jesus said to them, "Then give to Caesar what is Caesar's, but give to God what is God's." When they heard this, they were astonished and went away.

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

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.]

One way we do things differently is by claiming and celebrating that we belong to each other. We are each other's to protect, to hold accountable, to feed, and to nurture. Like iron sharpens iron, we grow together. With commitment to this shared journey, let us bring our offerings to God.



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

Spirit of Imagination, come to us with your creative and radical visions of hope. Deepen our collective capacity to live in nonconformity with destruction; to practice alternatives to what deadens and destroys. Bless our offerings to the work of love that can make all things new. 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 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.

BENEDICTION

All of those symbols carry messages from our faith journey: The Bread of Life is the true sustenance that God provides. The Fruit of the Vine is the love poured out by Jesus- a sign of the never-ending grace that is ours now and always. And we have been called to be Salt of the Earth, so that all might savor the spice of life, that is the Holy Spirit's presence among us. Beloved, we have been reminded of these things here in this time together, Now let us go and do likewise in the world, for it IS "a wonderful life!" **Amen.**

Postlude

Worship design and liturgy adapted from www.worshipdesignstudio.com and enfleshed.com.

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.

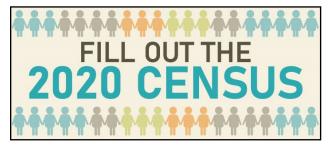
BROADWAY'S MISSION STATEMENT: "God calls Broadway United Methodist Church to be a faith community embracing the diversity of our Chicago neighborhood and larger community. We welcome all persons — celebrating the human family's God-given diversity of race, age, gender, sexual orientation, and physical 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.



2020 Census

In a year in which the onslaught of bad news seems never-ending, it is difficult to discern what challenges to address first. We know of one thing that is especially important: participation is the 2020 Census.

The 2020 Census is an important once a decade opportunity to ensure your community receives the representation and resources it needs. The Census

determines the number of seats each state will have in the House of Representatives and how Federal funding is distributed to schools, hospital, public transit, and other vital programs. Head Start, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and the Pell Grant programs (and more) are ALL impacted by the Census, among many other services that your community needs.

If you haven't completed the census yet, there's still time to do so. Visit <u>2020census.gov</u> or call 844-330-2020 to complete your Census questionnaire by Monday, October 5, 2020. Mailed questionnaires must be postmarked **by October 5**, **2020**.

We urge you to take the time and ensure that you and your family are counted.

MY BLOCK ***** MY HOOD ***** MY CITY

October Mission Minute: My Block, My Hood, My City

One Block At a Time, We Are Building Together

MBMHMC is a grassroots nonprofit community organization founded by activist Jahmal Cole. Their mission is to help inspire and care for youth on the south and west sides by showing them how goals can change the outcome of a situation and influence the choices people make. Cole has become a mentor to youth and adults through his work in creating volunteer initiatives and block clubs in low-income communities. Some of their programs are:

- Youth Summer Job Opportunities provided 6,000+ Youth Wellness Calls to Seniors in their Youth Senior Connect Program; 330+ tour participants in their Youth Led Tours, showing North Lawndale to hundreds of first time visitors. A total of 93 young people were employed this summer in all of their youth development programs.
- Explorers Program provides underprivileged youth with an awareness of the world and opportunities beyond their neighborhood. Students are taken on explorations focused on STEM,

Arts & amp; Culture, Citizenry & amp; Volunteerism, Health, Community Development, Culinary Arts, and Entrepreneurism.

- The **Small Business Relief Fund** collected \$1 million in just two days to help businesses make repairs after looting.
- Chicago Police Dept Cadet Tours. For the second consecutive summer, youth in North Lawndale have been employed and empowered to lead CPD cadets on tours of their community. "We want future officers to know and fall in love with the communities they will one day serve, and have positive connections with the young people of the community."

Jahmal Cole received a 2020 Elevating Youth Voices award and a Red Cross Heroes award. Look for a documentary about MBMHMC, yet to be released, titled **Tiny Ripple of Hope**.

MBMHMC website: formyblock.org @myblockmyhoodmycity

Visit our donation page to give. (Indicate Mission Minute in memo.)

Save the Date: Annual Church/Charge Conference

Broadway's Church Conference is scheduled for **Monday**, **October 19**, **2020 at 6:30pm**. Click here to join by video. To join by phone in Chicago: Call 312-626-6799. When prompted, enter Meeting ID: 856 2333 0762 and password: 856007. The zoom information is also on our website.

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