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#### CENTERING WORDS:

"Because love is an act of courage, not of fear, love is a commitment to others. No matter where the oppressed are found, the act of love is commitment to their cause—the cause of liberation." ~ Paulo Freire

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

[Tim Barnes]

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### OPENING PRAYER

God, the enormity of the suffering of the world burns in us like a forest fire, collapses us like a building, washes over us like floodwaters, sits in us like a plane that can't leave the gate. In our sorrow, console us with moments of beauty and belonging. Build with us communities of solidarity and kindness, for you desire not our suffering but our delight. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: "Christ for the World We Sing"

UMH #568

#### 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!**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SCRIPTURE READING: James 3:1-12 (Inclusive Bible)

Only a few of you, my [siblings], should be teachers. You should realize that those of us who are teachers will be called to a stricter account. After all, each of us falls from time to time. However, those who never say anything wrong are truly close to perfection, because they can then control every part of themselves. Once we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we control the rest of their bodies. The same with ships—no matter how large they are, and even if they are driven by fierce winds, they are directed by a very small rudder to wherever the captain wants to go. The tongue is like that. It's a small part of the body, yet it makes great boasts. See how tiny the spark is that sets a huge forest ablaze! The tongue is such a flame. Among all the parts of the body, the tongue is a whole wicked world in itself. It infects the entire body. Its flames encircle our course from birth, and its fire is kindled by hell. All kinds of animals—birds, reptiles and creatures of the sea—can be tamed by us, but no one can tame the tongue. It's a restless evil, full of deadly poison. We use it to say, "Praised be our God and Creator"; then we use it to curse each other—we who are created in the image of God. Blessing and curse come out of the same mouth. This shouldn't be, my [siblings]! Does a spring emit both pure water and brackish water? My [siblings], can a fig tree produce olives, or can a grapevine produce figs? No—and neither can a foundation produce both salt water and fresh water.

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

## MESSAGE

[Jorge Mújica, [Arise Chicago](#)]

## TIME FOR PRAYER

### 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.**

## 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. The Arise Chicago Worker Center is a membership-based community resource for workers, both immigrant and native-born, to learn about their rights and organize with fellow workers to improve workplace conditions. Since opening its doors in 2002, the Arise Chicago Worker Center has collaborated with nearly 50,00 workers to recover over \$8.3 million in owed wages and compensation. ACWC's workplace justice campaigns train workers to know their rights, file complaints with government agencies, organize direct actions, and access legal representation. Please support the work of Arise Chicago as they continue to work towards changing the system and defend worker rights. Please visit [Broadway's donation page](#) to read about our Mission Minutes and how to give.]*

## 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.]

Ella Baker, visionary and human rights activist, said "give light and people will find the way." Let us bring forth our offerings that we might offer a way to one another. Through our giving and receiving, let us illuminate the path to collective thriving.



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](https://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](mailto:bumclakeview@gmail.com)), or **text** the amount you wish to donate to 833-990-2149.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Holy Spirit, bless our offerings to the lineage of the saints who have gone before us, the wise people who envisioned a way of being where all lived with dignity. Bless our offerings to the generations who come after us, may they embody freedom in ways we have yet to imagine. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

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BENEDICTION

Go forth, heeding the insight of the wise, that they might show us a way to freedom. Go forth, in the courage of your own Inner Wisdom, that it might reveal your heart's desire. Go forth in the ancient and ever new wisdom of the Spirit, that She might illuminate our path to compassionate living. **Amen!**

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

[Tim Barnes]



*Liturgy adapted from [enfleshed.com](https://enfleshed.com).*

## BROADWAY UMC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### Quick Links for Worship

If you are willing to **assist in worship by reading** our Offering Invitation/Prayer, or Scripture, **providing special music** such as solos, duets, groups on vocals and/or instruments, or **assisting with media**, please [sign up here](#).

## Lake North District Outdoor Worship

Next Sunday, September 19 at 3pm

Central UMC (8237 Kenton Ave, Skokie)

Reconnect with God and each other in this Ravinia-style worship. As the NEW Lake North District, we hope you'll join us for a time to gather and worship outdoors! Bring your own lawn chair and/or blanket, plus an afternoon snack or late lunch/early dinner. Come to see old friends and meet new friends, come to worship and praise God together! Our offering will go to First Vietnamese, as the inside of their building has been destroyed and needs to be completely repaired. NOTE: We will worship indoors if needed, according to the weather. No registration required, but please contact Debbie with questions by [email](#) or at 630-465-2941. For more info and to share, please see the [facebook event](#).



LAKE NORTH DISTRICT  
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**OUTDOOR  
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CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
8237 KENTON AVE, SKOKIE  
SUNDAY, SEPT. 19 @ 3 PM

Bring your own lawn chair/blanket and snacks!  
All Lake North Churches are welcome!



for all Young Adults  
and Younger Adults

When: Thursday, September 23, 2021  
Where: @ the home of DeShawn & Brian 5:30-9:30pm

**Save the Date!**

More information will be given as we get closer!

## Monthly Financial Update

	Income	Expenses	Difference
First Quarter	\$41,312.03	\$53,278.87	(\$11,966.84)
Second Quarter	\$42,791.65	\$54,789.38	(\$11,997.73)
July 2021	\$14,847.01	\$16,756.80	(\$1,909.79)
August 2021	\$12,961.18	\$14,866.04	(\$1,904.86)
YTD	\$111,911.87	\$139,691.09	(\$27,779.22)

## 2021 Stewardship: 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 what you are pledging for 2021.

## Community Food Pantry

The events of the last year have affected us all differently and as we begin to see a light at the end of the tunnel, many are still struggling. The Community Food Pantry outside BUMC is there for anyone in need but it's often EMPTY! We invite all who are able to pick up a few items next time you're at the grocery store and drop them off in our Community Food Pantry!

*"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." ~ Winston Churchill*

**Suggested items:** canned meat or other protein items (tuna, salmon, chicken), crackers, peanut butter, canned soups and stews, canned fruits and vegetables, canned beans, pasta, rice, olive oil or Canola oil, powdered milk, spices (salt, pepper, garlic powder, onion salt, oregano, etc.), granola bars, applesauce, nuts, instant mashed potatoes.

**Items to Skip:** items that have to be refrigerated, items with glass packaging, items that need special equipment to open (pop-top cans are the best!), items that require too many extra ingredients, items that are expired, items that are homemade or have already been opened.

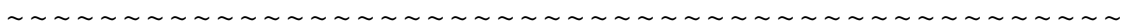
## Welcome to Broadway's New Student Interns!



My name is **Epiphany Paris**, but everyone calls me Pip. I have a 13 year old nonbinary child, Joy, and 3 cats. I am a femme nonbinary person, and I use they/them pronouns. I was born in South Dakota, and moved around a lot as an adult, including Wisconsin where I got my undergraduate degree in art. I have lived in Chicago for 8 years, and have a Masters in film production. I am a part-time student at Meadville Lombard Theological School where I am studying for an MDiv with the goal of becoming a Unitarian Universalist minister. I have been a UU for 7 years, and my home church is Second Unitarian Church, also in this neighborhood. I come to Broadway United Methodist in the interest of learning ministry, but also in the hope of creating interfaith alliances towards the purpose of social justice work in this world.



My name is **Lee Rollins** (they/them pronouns). I'm (mostly) from north Georgia (my dad is retired Navy so we moved around a good bit when I was a kid). I graduated from Purdue last year with a linguistics degree. I grew up (again, mostly) Methodist, and went to church camp on top of Lookout Mountain on the Tennessee/Georgia border as a kid. Then in college, I ended up working at a different church camp in the same conference near Knoxville, Tennessee. It was my experiences at camp and at the Wesley Foundation at Purdue that led me to decide to attend Chicago Theological Seminary, where I am now starting my second year as an MDiv student.



## 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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