



BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEW BEGINNINGS 2021



Festival Service

October 10, 2021 | 11:00 a.m.

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CENTERING WORDS

"We need always to be thinking and writing about poverty, for if we are not among its victims its reality fades from us. We must talk about poverty, because people insulated by their own comfort lose sight of it."

~ Dorothy Day, *By Little and By Little: The Selected Writings of Dorothy Day*

PRELUDE: "Give Me Jesus"

[Robert Galbreath]

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Holy Wisdom — Buddhist nun, Pema Chödrön, reminds us that fear is a natural reaction to moving closer to the truth. When we witness the truth of the world and the truth of our lives, and are afraid, embolden us with courage to act compassionately in spite of our fear. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: "Sanctuary"

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: Job 23:1-9, 16-17 (Inclusive Bible)

Then Job replied: I am still bitter in my complaint—God's hand is heavy, despite all my groaning. If only I knew where to find the Almighty, so I could approach the Judgment Seat! I would make my case to God, and expound my best arguments in my defense. But I would also benefit by hearing the answers, and get a grip on what is behind all this. Would God get on a high horse in debating with me? No, God would give me the chance to state my case! There an upright person could make such a convincing case that I would be delivered forever from my Judge. But if I go east, God isn't there; if I go west, I find nothing. When God is working up north, I can see no one; when God turns south, I don't even catch a glimpse...The Most High makes my heart sink, and makes my body shake in terror. Even so, I'm not silenced by the darkness nor by the deep gloom that covers my face.

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

MESSAGE

[Rev. Alka Lyall]

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: CENTRO ROMERO

[For over 35 years, [Centro Romero](#) has been a community-based organization that serves the refugee immigrant population on the northeast side of Chicago. Their interrelated programs include the Youth Learning and Leadership Program, Family Services (encapsulating the Domestic Violence Prevention Program, the Public Benefits Program, and the New Americans Initiative), Adult Education, and Legal Services. These are essential services that support healthy personal and social development of participants. Their long-term organizational goal is to bridge a disenfranchised community of immigrants and refugees into mainstream American society as well as improving their opportunity for upward social mobility. Long-term sustainable growth of our target population will only be achieved through education, leadership development, advocacy, and service; they accordingly focus their energy on these related initiatives. Please visit [Broadway's donation page](#) to read more 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.]

Beloveds, the suffering of the world scrolls through our screens, wafts in through our radio waves, lines up outside our hospitals, strains at our borders, spills in tears down our cheeks. Let us collect our offerings for this day, that we might ease the suffering and aid the thriving of all beings.



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 the Living God, may our offerings connect with the wide network of communities doing what they can with the resources at hand to bring about your kin-dom. That all may have enough and live without fear, bless our offerings and accompany us in our efforts. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "Take My Life"

BENEDICTION

On days when your anger is hot, may the Spirit be an autumn breeze against your face. On days when your resiliency is low, may the beloved community pull up a chair for you on the Porch. On days when your mind is stuck in binaries, may there be room to hold it all together—the sorrow, the beauty, the bewilderment, the hope. May we feel in our bodies, that in the holding, in our togetherness, we are blessed. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: "Postlude in Classical Style"

[Robert Galbreath]



Liturgy adapted from 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](#).

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.

"The Dangerous Truth About Today's Marijuana"

Laura Stack, the founder of Johnny's Ambassadors, lost her 19-year-old son, Johnny, to suicide on November 20, 2019. She will be discussing the loss of her son, Johnny, and the dangers of today's potent marijuana on adolescent brain development, and the connection of youth marijuana use to mental illness and suicide, on **Tuesday, October 12th at 11:00am**. If you are interested, [click here to register](#).

BUMC Singers Rehearsals Back in Person!

BUMC Singers have resumed in-person rehearsals at **4pm on Thursdays** in Room 204 (Wesley Room). Questions? [Contact Music Director Robert Galbreath, Jr.](#)

Save the Date: ONE Northside 2021 Fall Fundraiser

Join ONE Northside on **Tuesday, November 9th**, to celebrate a year of power building and transformational victories! This year they will be joined by special guest Cynthia Nixon, a long time community activist on issues including education equity, women's health care, breast cancer awareness and LGBTQ rights. She is a life long New Yorker and a product of public education. She ran in the primary for governor of New York in 2018 against Andrew Cuomo. Her platform focused on income inequality, renewable energy, establishing universal health care, stopping mass incarceration in the United States, and protecting undocumented children from deportation. In addition to hearing from Cynthia Nixon, they will be recognizing some ONE Northside leaders. [Get tickets here](#).

Save the Date: Annual Church Conference

Broadway's Church Conference is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 17th at 5:30pm**. We will share the zoom link for the meeting as we get closer. Committee chairs, please begin preparing for your annual reports. The office will be in touch next week with more details.

All-Conference Worship Service

Mark your calendar for an All-Conference Worship Service on **November 14th at 3:30pm at Our Saviour's UMC in Schaumburg**. Guest preacher will be Rev. Olu Brown, Senior Pastor Impact Church in Atlanta, GA with the theme "Tending to the Harvest." Livestream will be available and details will be shared later.

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.



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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