



GATHERING MUSIC

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

Holy One, we desire wellbeing, but instead of healthcare we wait in lines, are put on hold, and are treated as collateral damage to political agendas. We desire nourishment, but we are made sick by greed infiltrating our soil, water, and air. How long will our healing be delayed, oh God? Thank you for advocates, wise people, caretakers, and protectors who work on our behalf. With them, uproot our systems of violence that we may be well. **Amen.**

* OPENING HYMN: "Lord, Speak to Me" United Methodist Hymnal # 463

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!**

* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Bold type indicates congregational response.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of YHWH came to me and said: "Before I formed you in the womb, I chose you. Before you were born, I dedicated you. I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." I said, "But Sovereign YHWH! I don't know how to speak! I'm too young!" But YHWH said, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' Now, go wherever I send you. And say whatever I command you. Do not fear anyone, for I am with you to protect you. It is YHWH who speaks." Then YHWH touched my mouth and said to me, "Look, I am putting my words in your mouth. This day I appoint you over nations and territories, to uproot and to tear down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

May God bless the speaking and hearing of the Word. **Amen.**

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

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.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 13:10-17

One Sabbath, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues. There was a woman there who for eighteen years had a sickness caused by a spirit. She was bent double, quite incapable of standing up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are free of your infirmity." He laid his hands on her, and immediately she stood up straight and began thanking God. The head of the synagogue, indignant that Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the congregation, "There are six days for working. Come on those days to be healed, not on the Sabbath." Jesus said in reply, "You hypocrites! Which of you doesn't let your ox or your donkey out of the stall on the Sabbath to water it? This daughter of Sarah and Abraham has been in the bondage of Satan for eighteen years. Shouldn't she have been released from her shackles on the Sabbath?" At these words, Jesus' opponents were humiliated; meanwhile, everyone else rejoiced at the marvels which Jesus was accomplishing.

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

Thanks be to God. Amen.

MESSAGE

Rev. Gregory Gross

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.]

Scholar and disabilities writer Amy Kenny writes “To suggest that I am anything less than sanctified and redeemed is to suppress the image of God in my disabled body and to limit how God is already at work through my life.” Let us collect our offerings that the image of God may be celebrated in all people and that God may work in our shared lives.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Spirit of Truth, forgive us when we project our own ideas of health onto other people instead of honoring their experience; for we know that healing is not the erasure of disability, but the access to flourishing for all. We are dedicated to alleviating suffering that comes from the withholding of healthcare and inaccessibility of systems. May our offerings of resources, skills, and time make it so. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN: “Here I Am, Lord” United Methodist Hymnal # 593

* BENECTION

Beloveds, emboldened by the creativity of the Spirit, encouraged by the care of the Community, let us go from this place honoring the wisdom of our bodies and making a way for collective wellness. So be it! **Amen.**

POSTLUDE



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Today we welcome Rev. Gross! Rev. Gregory Gross is an ordained deacon in the Northern Illinois Conference, currently appointed as the Executive Director of Care For Real (<https://careforreal.org>). Rev. Gross is an active partner in all justice matters in our conference and connection, and is a delegate to the 2020 General Conference.

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.



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