



BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
COMMIT. SEEK. SHARE 2024

*The inn*

ADVENT 1: MAKING ROOM (HOPE)

Sunday, December 1, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PRELUDE "O God Our Help in Ages Past" (arr. Don Philips) Robert Galbreath, piano

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE Jenna

When I look around, I see shadows of hunger. So many people in this city and around the world will go to bed hungry tonight...

**When we look around, we see shadows of injustice, the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer, everyone saying, "Buy, buy, buy!" and someone somewhere will fall asleep under a bridge tonight...**

In the face of hunger, we light a candle of hope...

**In the face of injustice, in the face of despair, we light a candle of hope...**

Let the light from this candle say to all that God's hope is coming on earth as it already is in heaven.

**Together, we prepare, for God's hope is at hand!**



HYMN FOR CANDLE LIGHTING "Advent Song" The Faith We Sing # 2090 vs. 1

\*OPENING HYMN "(Praise) to the Lord's Anointed" United Methodist Hymnal # 203

\* Please rise, in body or in spirit.

**Bold type indicates congregational response.**

WELCOME STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

*[Please use the Friendship Pads or the QR code to mark your presence with us.]*

Welcome to worship, God's beloved!

**YES, I Am Welcome! Bienvenidas y bienvenidos!**



\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

"The days are surely coming, says YHWH, when I will bestow on Israel and Judah all the blessings I promised them. In those days and at that time I will raise up a righteous branch from the line of David, who will bring justice and integrity to the land. In those days Judah will be safe and Jerusalem will be secure. They will call the land, 'YHWH is our Justice.'"

The Word of God for the people of God. **Amen.**

MUSIC MINISTRY "Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"

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 kingdom 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SECOND READING

Psalms 25: 4-5

Show me your ways, YHWH! Teach me your paths! Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation.

May God bless the hearing of this Word. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

MESSAGE

Rev. Alka Lyall

OFFERING

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. Please be as generous as you can in your giving. To give online, scan the QR code at right or visit us at [BroadwayChurchChicago.com/give](http://BroadwayChurchChicago.com/give). Thank you for your commitment to God's purposes through our faith community!]*



\*THE DOXOLOGY

United Methodist Hymnal # 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose  
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Gentle and Protecting Grandmother Spirit, we dedicate our offerings to those who  
are strategically disenfranchised by systems of harm, to our collective children, to  
our more-than-human kin, and to our elders. May these souls guide us and teach us  
practices of hope.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(see insert)

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*[The United Methodist Church practices "open communion" which means that any and all  
who respond to the invitation are welcome to share in the Sacrament. You are invited to  
exit from one end of your pew and return by the other end of the pew at the direction of the  
ushers. We use unfermented grape juice for the Sacrament. You may bring your food  
offering\* as you come to receive the elements of Communion.]*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CLOSING HYMN

"O Little Town of Bethlehem "

United Methodist Hymnal # 230 vs. 1, 3, 4

\*SENDING FORTH

Beloveds, may God's Door of Welcome swing open in your heart and in your life. May Christ's  
humble first dwelling remind you of the plenty you already know. And may the Spirit lead you into  
more possibility and hospitality than you can imagine, making room in The Inn for all.

May it be so for you.

May it be so for us.

May it be so for our church. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

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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."

Office Hours are generally Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:30am-1:30pm.

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Need to stop by at a different time? Please email the office.

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