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From Darkness to Light...

Journey Through Holy Week at Broadway

One step at a time. The long road to Jerusalem and the events of Holy Week began with Jesus' birth. The story we began in December is ending next week. Or is it just beginning?

Our own journey through the events of Holy Week begins this Sunday, April 9. We will commemorate Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday with fresh palm fronds to welcome that spirit into our Sanctuary.

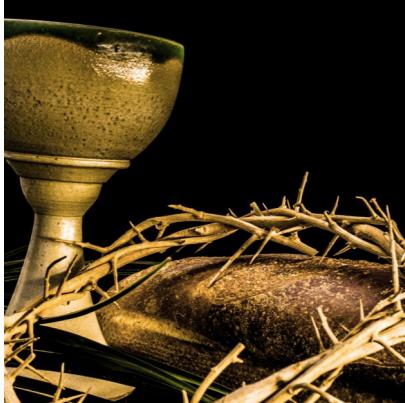
The palms we raise in celebration this Palm Sunday will provide the ash to mark the beginning of Lent in 2018.

On Maundy Thursday, Christians around the world remember the night of the Last Supper and Jesus' betrayal. At Broadway, our April 13 Maundy Thursday worship will begin at 7:30 p.m., and will feature music from our Chancel Choir.

We will begin the commemoration of Good Friday on April 14 with a Fish Fry Dinner (catered by Lutz's) in Fellowship Hall. The dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. and adult meals are \$12.

Good Friday worship will begin at 7:30 p.m. This year, the Broadway Ensemble will provide the backdrop for a journey through the Seven Stations of the Cross. This progressive, reflective and meaningful journey will take us through Jesus' trial, torture and death.

From the dark solemnity and despair of Good Friday, Easter Sunday, April 16, will be welcomed with joyful celebration and a great breakfast! Our Daybreak



worship will begin at 8:00 a.m.—outdoors, if weather permits. Also at 8:00 a.m., Connections Ministry will take the lid off another great Easter Brunch. The breakfast menu will include a variety of breakfast casseroles (gluten-free option as well), sausage gravy and biscuits, fruit salad, juice and milk. Cost for breakfast is \$5 with a \$20. Family maximum. Breakfast will be served until 10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Remember that there will be no Christian Education classes on Easter Sunday. However, for Broadway's littlest Disciples, there will be an Easter Egg Hunt during the 10:10 a.m. hour. All families are encouraged to worship together at either our Traditional Worship, beginning at 9:00 a.m., or our Contemporary Worship, which begins at 11:15 a.m. Nursery care for toddlers and infants under two years of age is available for all worship services.

Christ Is Risen! He Is Risen, Indeed!

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As springtime busts out all over so are we busting toward Holy Week and Easter, the epicenter of the Christian year. We will walk the way of Jesus, enter of the story of what wondrous love requires, and exalt in the power of God that overcomes all suffering, loss and injustice. I challenge you to keep the Holy Week pilgrimage by observing Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Day.

This is also the time of our year when we speak of stewardship – the spiritual discipline of giving our time, talent and money to God's work through the church. We have a fabulous team at work and they will be bringing the fruits of their passion and creativity to you after Easter. Along with their efforts another financial team is at work creating the church budget for 2017/18. We will sign off on this at the congregational meeting in June. For a church a budget is a moral document; it makes a moral statement about what we value most and our priorities in ministry. On the practical level it is also a spending plan to help us live within our identified means.

Following every seven years of service the church grants me a time away from the church for spiritual renewal. I can't believe seven years have come and gone! But I can believe it, too. We have lived so much faith life together and accomplished so many important things. And I am looking forward to the next chapter at Broadway.

I will depart after Easter and return by June 1, ready for baptisms on Pentecost Sunday. We have already been hard at work making sure plans for my



absence are in place. They are and our capable staff and lay leaders already have it in hand. What a church.

My sabbatical travels will take me to the Corrymeela community in Northern Ireland and Leicester Cathedral in England. I will be leading retreats and making presentations on spirituality and liminality in both places but also have "down" time of my own to think, pray, ponder and otherwise recharge the batteries.

But for now ... "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!"

Good to be your pastor, Broadway.

Tim

Sabbatical Time— Rejuvenating the Spirit

Broadway Family...it is time for a well-deserved and long-awaited Sabbatical for Tim. We have in place an agreement with Tim that he will have a week of spiritual retreat/renewal each year and after seven years an approved month away.

That time is now here and Tim has made arrangements to be gone after Easter and returning by June 1, 2017. He is combining some vacation time along with his sabbatical month. The Sabbatical allows for reflection, celebration, rejuvenation, deep prayer and study. This also solidifies and affirms Broadway's commitment and appreciation for our Senior Minister. We will bless him on his way, continue to hold him in our prayers... so that he will return to us with a renewed Broadway Spirit and energized for the next chapter of ministry!

Roger Wilson, Personnel Chair

The Good and Beautiful Blessing

A Celebration of Stewardship at Broadway

Broadway Christian Church has received so many blessings over the past 58 years. Those blessings, from the gift of our property in the mid-1950s, to the coins that tumble into our Noisy Offering coffee cans, have made it possible for Broadway and its ministries to be a blessing to others. The beauty of giving, of gifts large and small, is watching how our gifts ripple out to touch lives for years to come.

On April 23, Broadway will begin to count our blessings. Each of us will be encouraged to examine the many ways that life in the Broadway community has been a blessing in our own lives. Our Stewardship team will lift up how our congregation has been a blessing to individuals and to the wider community and world.

During our Stewardship Celebration, there will be an opportunity for you to share how Broadway ministries have impacted your life. Beginning on April



23, look for a very large "Blessing Box" in the Narthex. The Box will be staffed each week by Stewardship team volunteers, who will provide you with some simple prompts to get the conversation started. Each participant's comments will be videoed, and on Consecration Sunday, May 21, our video vignettes will be shared as we celebrate the faithful, giving spirit of Broadway's congregation.



April 9 & 16, 2017

Your gift to the Easter Offering helps bring life, love and learning through the general ministries of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Ministries that receive funding from the Easter Offering include: the Center for Faith and Giving, Central Pastoral Office for Hispanic Ministries, Communication Ministries, Council on Christian Unity, Disciples Church Extension Fund / Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation, Disciples of Christ Historical Society, Disciples Home Missions, Disciples Women, Division of Overseas Ministries/Global Ministries, Higher Education and Leadership Ministries, National Benevolent Association, National Convocation, North American Pacific/Asian Disciples, and Treasury Services.

Church Family Helping Church Family... CARELINK

Sometimes You're Being Helped...Sometimes You're the Helper

Yes, the roles can change quickly as most of us know. CareLink is here to serve our church families with six services:

- ♥ Card ministry
- ♥ Bereavement ministry
- ♥ Flower ministry
- ♥ Handy Helpers
- ♥ Care Center visits
- ♥ Prayer shawl ministry

And any of those services are ready and willing to help with just a phone call or email. Call CareLink co-chairs Patsy Dalton

(356-6036, daltonsinc@aol.com) or Linda Poehlmann (234-1950, 1poehlmann123@gmail.com) and they will make sure someone is in touch quickly.

And please let us know of anyone who needs CareLink services.

Right now, **CareLink is preparing to announce a new service, "Calls of Concern."** But before we can begin training we must find a few more people who are willing to make calls to others in our church who have been hospitalized, had a move or an illness, or would just benefit from a call. Sometimes we all need a call of concern and we enjoy hearing from someone in our church. **It's easy, only takes a short time, and you can do it from home.** So please call to help get this new ministry started!

We Have Three Other Great Opportunities

1. **Why not try your hand at writing cards to cheer people in our church who need a boost?**

This ministry needs more help. And you might be the person to write a few cards a week! We all love to receive cards, especially when we are feeling down or even when



February Report

- ♥ Services provided: 107
- ♥ People served: 177
- ♥ Calls/emails: 112
- ♥ Volunteers serving: 56

These numbers do not include the ongoing, regular visits and pastoral calls.

we have something to celebrate. Call Carole Braun to find out how you can help-- 446-4369.

2. ***If you love flowers, this ministry is growing too and we need a few more people who can take a turn every couple of months to deliver flowers to people in our church.***

It's a great way to get to know people and to surprise someone with flowers. And you always feel better after a visit! Email Carolyn Ezell, chezzell15@gmail.com and sign up.

3. ***Handy Helpers is just plain fun and you feel so good when you help someone from our church! You have skills you can share and we know people who would appreciate those skills.***

Maybe it's doing yard work, moving furniture, fixing a leak or another chore around the house. Just call John Poehlmann at 234-1950 or email joeohlmannC@Missouri.edu to schedule some assistance.

Watch this space for CareLink news and join the team.





Habitat Is Here!

If you haven't already brought your donations to the Habitat Sale, let this be your two-minute warning—time is running out!

Donations will be accepted Thursday, April 6 and Friday, April 7, beginning at 7:30 a.m. If you have household items or furniture, please drop those items off at the CLC door. If you have clothing—those donations are accepted at the Fellowship Hall. And new this year, books and electronics should be taken to the Loft door.

The Sale begins Saturday, April 8 at 8:00 a.m. and will conclude at 2:00 p.m. If you are available on Saturday, volunteers are still needed for a variety of jobs. Saturday volunteers are asked to work a two-hour shift, which can be scheduled at your convenience. Volunteers are **ALWAYS** needed for the clean-up crew at 2:00 p.m., which is also when the ice cream sandwiches come out of the freezer!

If you don't have any treasures to donate and your schedule won't allow you to volunteer—you can help the 2017 Habitat Sale by spreading the word to your friends and neighbors. The more shoppers we have on Saturday, the more dollars we collect to build affordable homes in Boone County!

BROADWAY

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Friday, April 7

7:30 a.m.- Habitat set-up
7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 8

8:00 a.m.- Habitat Sale
2:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m. Habitat Sale clean-up

Sunday, April 9

Palm Sunday

Wednesday, April 12

6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 13

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday service

Friday, April 14

5:00 p.m. Fish Fry Dinner
7:30 p.m. Good Friday service

Sunday, April 16

Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m. Daybreak Service
Easter Brunch
9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship

Monday, April 17

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, April 19

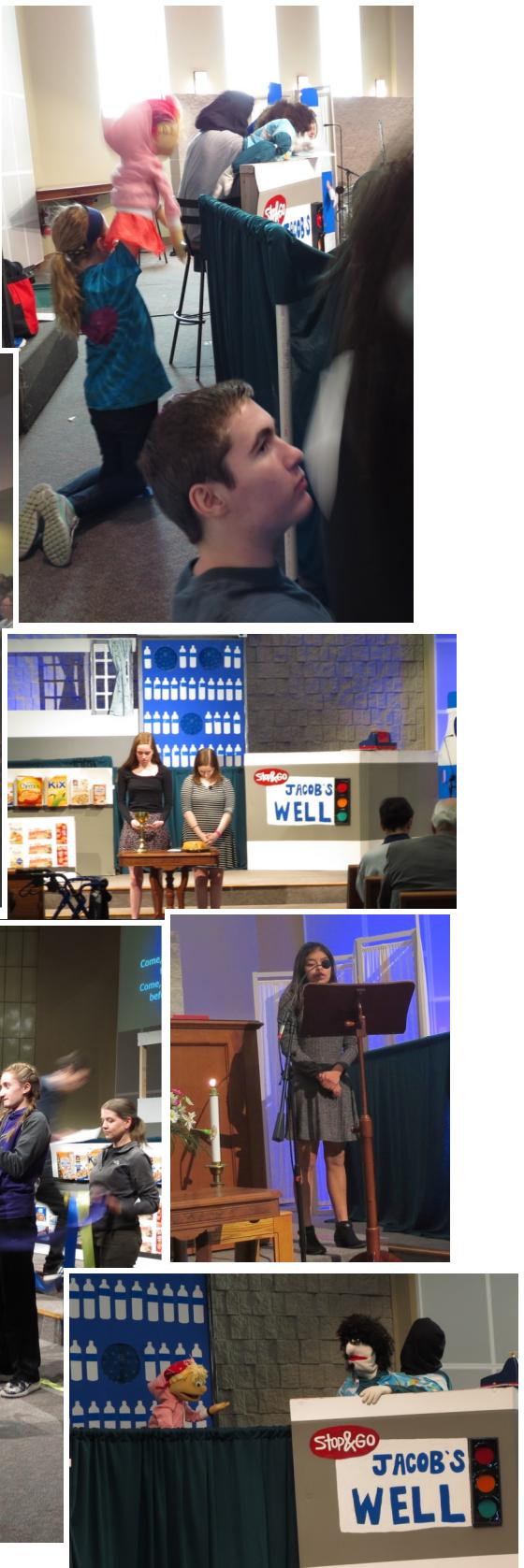
Wednesday Night Live resumes

Tuesday, April 25

7:00 p.m. Church Board Meeting

Youth Sunday Left Us Thirsty for More!

Once again, Broadway's Youth in grades 6-12 brought their "A" game for our March 19 Youth Sunday worship! There was lovely music—including an original composition; energetic welcomers and ushers; a youth liturgical dance and a new take on the story of the Woman at the Well by our Puppet Ministry team. Thank you to all of our youth who made it such a special day, and to the adults who worked alongside them to provide such a meaningful worship experience for all of us!



Senior Recognition Sunday is April 30

For parents, the last eighteen years have flown by at warp speed. For our graduating high school seniors, time has crawled slowly—so slowly—toward this day! And now that it is almost here, it is time to celebrate this milestone with the Broadway family!

All graduating seniors and their families have received an invitation to the April 30 Senior Recognition Dinner. The dinner will begin just after the 11:15 a.m. service in the Fellowship Hall. As is the tradition, our junior class parents will coordinate the luncheon with assistance from Kahlea Wilson.

If your senior is unable to attend, please be sure to complete the information form and return it, along with the requested photos, to Kahlea. A photo display of all of graduating seniors will be the Narthex on April 30, so that all of us can see how you have



grown and what future plans you've made!

Apply for A Broadway Scholarship

This scholarship award could not be any easier—so take advantage of this gift from Broadway! Simply check the box on your senior recognition information sheet that indicates you would like to receive a scholarship. Return the form by the April 23 deadline—that's all, folks!

The Palmer/Robinson Scholarship is open to all graduating seniors. The second endowed scholarship opportunity recognizes those graduating seniors who have actively participated in Broadway's music ministries. The Taylor/Medlin Scholarship recognizes these students' dedication to music and their willingness to share their talents with their church family.

Share Your College Grad's Good News!

Next month, we will be in the thick of the graduation season—and we would like you to share news of college graduations in your family with the Broadway family!

Please send your college graduate's information to Debby at dgraham@broadwaychristian.net by Wednesday, April 26. Include degree information, as well as post-graduation plans. Your family's good news will be shared in the May 5 *Broadway Life* newsletter.

Summer Camp Info Available Now

With the passing of spring break, all parents know that end of the school year will be here very soon! That means it is time to choose summer activities for the kids—and we hope that you will consider the 2017 NEOLA Summer Camp program!

Camps are available for children in early elementary grades through high school. Most of the camps will be held at Covenant Point, a well-equipped and beautifully situated campground in Holt Summit. Registration information and schedules are available in the church office or may be downloaded from the weekly e-news. The deadline for the "early bird" discount is June 1. Scholarship assistance is also available from Broadway or the NEOLA camp ministry.

El Salvador Mission Team Returns Home

As with all mission trips, there are stories to tell. Our most recent El Salvador mission team spent spring break week building latrines—lots of digging, moving rocks and pouring concrete. But the stories they will tell will be of the people of El Salvador, met during home visits and sharing worship and celebrations. The team members will forget the sore muscles, but they will never forget the people.



Every Seat Filled for Friendship Dinner

Last Sunday, April 2, Broadway hosted a Friendship Dinner with our friends at the Columbia Islamic Center. The local mosque had invited a Broadway group to a Wednesday evening dinner in March—and we extended a reciprocal invitation.

Sixty Christians and Muslims gathered around tables in our Fellowship Hall and enjoyed a carry-in dinner, with Broadway providing the main course. Our guests brought dishes as well, including a large box of baklava that lasted about 30 minutes!

Following the meal, guests and hosts engaged in conversation. Each table was furnished with a series of conversation-starting questions, like “what do you remember about your very visit to church or mosque?” The discussions were energetic and illuminating with many of our guests sharing stories about arriving in the United States as refugees from war-torn areas in the Middle East.



Continuing Recovery...

... Carole Braun, Pat Buchanan, John Claggett, Bill Coil, Delesia Naugle, Eileen Perry, Carita Roach, Wanda Slaughter, Mary Jane Thorne.

Our Thoughts and Prayers...

... to Stan and Leslie Clay, on the death of Stan's mother, Elizabeth Clay, on March 23.
 ... to Hilda More and Jan and Wayne Holden, on the death of son and brother, Allen Moore, on March 15.
 ... to the Sapp family: Warren Betty, Aaron, LeeAnn, Kellen and Andrew, on the death of Hazel Sapp, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.
 ... to Judy Armbruster, on the death of her mother, Georgia Kinsler Horton, on March 11.
 ... to Kent Vance, on the death of his mother, Marian Vance, on March 11.

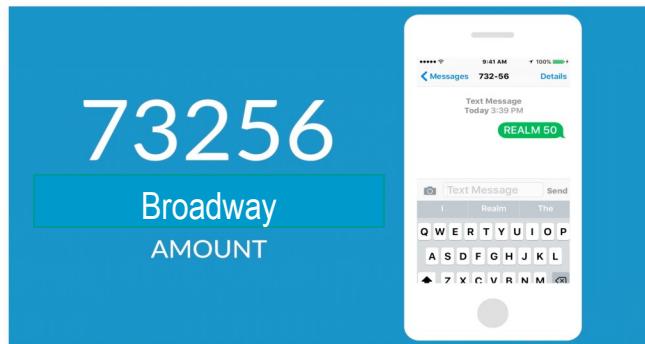
Celebrating April Birthdays

4/9 Marvin Bennett, Zach Jones, Terry Overfelt
 4/10 Sierra Poehlmann
 4/11 Jonah Lybeck-Brown
 4/12 Savannah Carson, Kay Cook, Steve Day, Kent Krause, Louise Larson, Paul Mayginnes, Meredith Naughton, Emily Ward
 4/14 Vicki Brown, Dorothy Sorrels, Mary Weedin
 4/15 Tammy Gerhart, Jim Hardin, Beverly Walden, Blake Wilson
 4/16 Ken Butler, Connie Johnson, Linda Koenig, Parker Wiegand
 4/17 Marty Taylor, Allison Tonyan
 4/19 Phil Fichter, Mila Horner, Stanley Kendall
 4/20 Mark Brzuchalski, Chris Ghan, Jo Wilhite
 4/21 Rebecca Gingerich, Melanie Karrick, Jared Tonyan
 4/22 Colleen Butler, Ian Larson, Zig Letourneau, Nick Roark
 4/23 Paige Flottman, Debbie Henderson, Katlynn Martinez

4/24 Iris Goebel, Sylvia Trevor, Wyatt Moore
 4/25 George Fletcher, Don Voelker, Emily Zaner
 4/26 Ellie Stansberry
 4/28 Sharon Taylor, Walter Sorrells
 4/29 Alan Volkart
 4/30 Laura Taylor, Pat Buchanan, Larry Collins, Drew Holmes, Mildred Mayginnes, Jean Taylor

Celebrating May Birthdays...

5/1 Ross Hammer, Hilda Moore
 5/2 Marty Gibbons, Mahyedeh Hall, Sandy Henderson, Abby Meeds, Orinda Prell
 5/3 Mary Regan
 5/4 Kristen Meade, Dick Muzzy
 5/5 Margaret Day, Jordan Meier, Dan Miller



Ladies
LUNCHEON

April 24 at 11:30 a.m.

*Join us for the Ladies
 Luncheon at D Rowe's!*

*Please rsvp to the church office at
 445.5312 by **Monday, April 22.***

Attendance: March 12 2017

Worship Sunday School

8:00	28	Nursery thru Pre K	11
9:00	104	K thru 5th grade	29
11:15	<u>176</u>	All God's Children	6
	308	6-12 grades	32
		Adults	<u>70</u>
			148

Attendance: March 26 2017

Worship Sunday School

8:00	37	Nursery thru Pre K	12
9:00	95	K thru 5th grade	16
11:15	<u>169</u>	All God's Children	
	301	6-12 grades	8
		Adults	<u>46</u>
			82

Attendance: March 19, 2017

Worship Sunday School

8:00	83	Nursery thru Pre K	9
9:00	164	K thru 5th grade	36
11:15	<u>272</u>	All God's Children	13
	519	6-12 grades	36
		Adults	<u>74</u>
			168

Attendance: April 2, 2017

Rocheport Bluegrass (4/1/17) 95

Worship Sunday School

8:00	36	Nursery thru Pre K	6
9:00	111	K thru 5th grade	18
11:15	<u>200</u>	All God's Children	
	442	6-12 grades	9
		Adults	<u>68</u>
			101

Save the Date!Ladies Brunch

Saturday, May 13

Tickets on sale soon!



BROADWAY FINANCIALS AS OF MARCH 31, 2017

REVENUES	Total Budgeted 2016-2017	Received	Percentage
OFFERING			
Pledged Giving	\$736,432.00	\$539,401.17	73.24%
Unpledged Giving	\$83,190.00	\$60,254.85	72.43%
Loose Offering	\$9,200.00	\$7,945.20	86.36%
Sunday School	\$0.00	\$108.06	
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$101.01	
TOTAL	\$828,822.00	\$607,810.29	73.33%

Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
\$571,889.71	81.85%
\$63,396.00	111.53%
\$8,665.54	106.72%
\$34.85	
\$50.17	
\$644,036.27	68.22%

CURRENT YEAR ACTIVITY:

\$18,253.13

EXPENSES	Total Budgeted 2016-2017	Expended	Percentage
Staff Payroll	\$535,042.00	\$396,099.95	74.03%
Administration	\$49,000.00	\$36,728.89	74.96%
Children & Youth	\$9,500.00	\$4,322.56	45.50%
Connections	\$1,500.00	\$408.14	27.21%
Discipleship	\$800.00	\$149.50	18.69%
Property	\$137,111.00	\$104,743.48	76.39%
Service (MOM)	\$82,418.00	\$40,175.42	48.47%
Stewardship	\$700.00	\$9.39	1.34%
Worship	\$12,751.00	\$6,919.83	56.32%
TOTAL	\$828,822.00	\$589,557.16	71.13%

Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
\$384,818.51	73.69%
\$35,505.81	72.48%
\$3,011.66	41.48%
\$902.32	69.41%
\$369.15	30.76%
\$94,540.16	69.46%
\$32,464.18	39.98%
\$148.43	21.20%
\$5,420.52	41.70%
\$557,180.74	68.62%



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Sunday Sermons and Scriptures

April 9

Palm Sunday
Matthew 21: 1-11
The Whole City Was in Turmoil

April 16

Easter Sunday
John 20: 1-18
The Disciples Returned to Their Homes

April 23

John 17: 20-21
The Christ-Centered Community

Senior Minister

Tim Carson

Associate Minister

Nick Larson

Associate Minister

Terry Overfelt

April 30

Matthew 18: 23-30
II Corinthians 5: 16-21
The Reconciling Community