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The wheels on the “mini” campaign to purchase two small buses are rollin’ and your help is needed to take Broadway’s ministries on the road!

Broadway members will receive a letter this week with information about the bus campaign. The hope is that we will raise \$60,000 and purchase two, gently-used and well-maintained, small buses. One of the buses would be equipped with a wheelchair lift to make it fully accessible. The smaller, 14-passenger vehicles are easier to drive, steady on the road and do not require a commercial driver’s license. At its October meeting, the Board passed Bus Policies and Guidelines to provide policies for the new vehicles.

Why do so many of Broadway’s ministries want (need) access to a bus? For many of our ministries, a Broadway bus would not only reduce costs for those participating in many—like our mission trips for youth and adults—but would open our ministries to more of our members.

For example, many of our older members have never attended the monthly Rocheport Bluegrass service. Many would love to go, but they are unable to

make the drive. A Broadway bus could be scheduled to make a regular first Saturday trip to Rocheport, with maybe a stop for dinner after worship!

Opportunities to expand our ministries for seniors, youth and outreach are numerous and exciting. From a Rocheport trip to taking our middle schoolers to the Festival of Sharing or a group to the General Assembly in Indianapolis next summer—all are possible with a successful campaign!

To get the campaign rolling (sorry!), Broadway’s Service Ministry has pledged \$2500, and Youth Ministry will add another \$1000 to the tank! The campaign ends by Thanksgiving, so let’s put the pedal to the metal, Broadway!

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This has been a particularly nasty campaign season. Most people I know, including myself, have felt the emotional drain of it. With a barrage of 24/7 news and propaganda feed, it is much, much worse than in years and decades past. Mudslinging is nothing new to elections, but this level and never-ceasing frequency is, yes, unprecedented. Enough already. Uncle.



I was just listening to a report by an organization that monitors the atmosphere of the work place. Election years always seem to bring out hostility, crankiness and rancor in the work place, depending of course on the organization, but this year ranks as the most intense in recorded memory. People are, by and large, short with each other and in some cases more mean and critical. The political rancor we have endured seeps into the public in unconscious ways.

Soon it will be over. But will it? Oh yes, the campaigns and rhetoric will. But the polarization and division? And what can we do?

Christians should always be evaluating the moral positions of government from a faith standpoint and taking reasoned positions. We should be willing to bring that moral voice to the public square. We should address issues of justice. But one of the critical issues

of our time is the lack of unity itself, a deficit of good will and civil discourse. And this is the place where the church and all people of good will can play an important role.

The beginning point is to model a way of living – in unity and with mutual respect – and become leaven in the lump, a city on a hill, a force for reconciliation, harmony,

and peace. The only way to become a force for good is to *become the very thing we call for*. This is a time for Christians to take that label – Christian – as more important than political affiliation. We need to be Christians together and then figure out the differences. If Christ has made us His own then all people become my sisters and brothers.

A correlate to that is that we are Americans before we are Democrats, Republicans or any other ideological stripe. Our commitment is first to the nation. And when we get our primary commitments in the right place, together, then the way forward does not seem impossible. We are here together. We are even here for the world.

That's what we can do and become.



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SPECIAL
OFFERING
NOVEMBER 13**
Support Disciples
colleges and
seminaries with
your gift on
November 13!

It's the 'Most Busiest Time' of the Year!

The Season of Advent Begins November 29

With apologies to Andy Williams fans and English teachers everywhere, we really are approaching "the most busiest time" of the year! Advent will be here before we know it, and the Broadway calendar is a sure sign that we are preparing for the most *wonderful* time of the year! Here are some of the ways that you and your family can be a part of the Advent season at Broadway.



Children's Christmas

Program

Broadway's Children's Christmas program will begin rehearsals **this Sunday, November 6 at 4:00 p.m.** in the Music Center. The program will be under the direction of Kathy Carson and Kay Cook once again, so we can look forward to another sweet, simple and creative telling of the Christmas story during 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. worship on December 11. If you have questions about the rehearsal schedule or the program, please contact Kathy at kathyscarson@yahoo.com.

The Tree of Hope

One of Service Ministry's Advent opportunities for outreach is the Tree of Hope. The Tree will be decorated with cards bearing the names, ages and Christmas wishes from Boone County children, primarily those served by the foster care system. Children from Coyote Hill, Rainbow House and Columbia public schools will be included.

The Tree will go up in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 20. To help a child in need, simply choose a card and then record your name next to the



card number in the Tree log book. When you have purchased the gifts, attach the card to the gift bag and bring them back to the Tree. The agencies prefer that the gifts be returned un-wrapped so that foster families can wrap the gifts.

The SERV Sale

Gift items from around the world will be available for purchase in our Fellowship Hall on two Sundays, December 5 and 11. All items at the SERV Sale are fair trade products, which means that the artisans who create these wonderful and unique gifts are able to get a fair price for their labor. Items will be available all morning, before and after worship

services.

Youth Cocoa Jars

Broadway's Youth Group hasn't chosen a destination for its 2017 Mission Trip yet, but they are certain to take one! So, fundraising for the upcoming trip will get started on November 13 with the annual Coca Jar Sale. Broadway Youth will put together a big batch of delicious hot cocoa mix, package it in decorative holiday jars and conduct their sale in the Fellowship Hall until all of the jars are gone. These jars make great Christmas gifts for teachers, mail carriers, or anyone you would like to remember this

CARELINK Is Church Family Caring for Church Family

Care Center Visitors For Those Who Love A Visit!

CareLink services continue to grow and one of the most loving is visits to people who live in one of Columbia's care centers. As our population ages and our health declines, a care center may be just the place to find daily personal and medical care in a safe environment. There is always staff to assist with tasks of daily living. Often a move to a care center can be quite an adjustment, especially for the first few months.

That's where CareLink's Care Center visits come in. Ethel Okker has visited church family in care centers for quite some time. You might say she just knows how to comfort and she's a master at "visiting." She can keep people informed of what's going on at church and she can listen to what's going on with the person she is visiting. She can brighten a day just by talking for a while and bringing inspiration. And in the past year she has been joined by Jack Sultrup who visits with one particular member every week with special surprise destinations.



SEPTEMBER MINISTRY UPDATE

- ♥ Services provided: 182
- ♥ People served: 100 (exactly!)
- ♥ Calls/emails: 69
- ♥ Volunteers serving: 50

These numbers do not include the ongoing, regular visits and pastoral care by our ministers and staff.

As many of you know, a visit can turn the day around. Lately, Ethel has decided that she can only handle the "east side" visits so CareLink is searching for someone to help Ethel by visiting care centers on the west side of Columbia. If this is something that you would enjoy, please let Ethel know or call Ingrid at the church office or Patsy or Linda. Ethel will train you and give you tips. The visits can be scheduled around your activities and the number of people you

visit varies.

This is one of the most personal services that CareLink offers and we really do need help. There are times that you need your spirits lifted wherever you live. And a visit can lift the spirits of the one doing the visiting too. We highly recommend this method of caring for our church family!

Room at the Inn Preparing for December Opening

As the days shorten, we know that the nights will soon be colder. The Room at the Inn planning team has been working hard to provide another year of safe and warm shelter spaces for Columbia's homeless for months—and it's time to begin recruiting shelter volunteers!

Room at the Inn will open on December 4 at the Unitarian Universalist Church. On January 2, 2017, the shelter will begin a four-week stay in Broadway's

Christian Life Center.

If you have never volunteered for Room at the Inn, consider doing so this year. For those who have, the experience often changes how they view and interact with those who live on our streets, sometimes by choice, but most often by circumstance.

If you have questions about the shelter or how to volunteer, contact Debby or any member of Service/Mission and Outreach Ministry.

Coming Together In Prayer For Our Nation On Nov. 7

No matter who you decide to vote for in this year's presidential election, there is one thing that we can all agree on—those who are elected on November 8 will need the prayers of the nation.



On Monday, November 7, at 7:00 p.m., please join us for an hour of prayer for our nation and its new leadership. Maria Trevor will provide the music for this quiet and contemplative time of shared prayer. There will be one shared prayer, the Prayer for the nation, on page 723 of our Chalice Hymnal. It is one of the most beautiful, poetic and graceful prayers for the well-being of our country. Most of the service, however, will be spent in quiet community. The prayer service will be held in the Loft.

This service is open to all—invite your friends and neighbors to join us for an hour of reflection and prayer.

Sign Up to be A YMDD Site

As the fall winds continue to blow, is your yard looking less green and more orange and yellow? If so, maybe you would like some help raking all of those leaves—so get on the Youth Make A Difference Day list now!

Broadway's youth will be out putting their faith into action on Sunday, November 13, for our annual Youth Make A Difference Day. If you need some simple, but labor-intensive, chores done around your house—simply contact Kahlea Wilson or Nick Larson in the church office, 445.5312. Teams of youth group members, under the supervision of an adult volunteer, will be visiting the homes of Broadway members to do jobs that are perfect for those with energy and young backs! Following their afternoon of service, the youth will gather back at church for pizza and sharing stories.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH BROADWAY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 6

All Saint's Day

4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas program rehearsal

Monday, November 7

7:00 p.m. Praying for Our Nation

November 8-9

60+ Trip to Branson

Sunday, November 13

Youth Cocoa Jar Sales begin

4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program rehearsal

Monday, November 14

7:00 p.m. Service/Mission & Outreach Ministry

Sunday, November 20

Youth Cocoa Jar sales

Tree of Hope begins

4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas program rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Elders' Meeting

Monday, November 21

Noon 60+ Thanksgiving Luncheon

6:00 p.m. Property Ministry meeting

November 23-25

Church Office Closed

November 27—First Sunday of Advent
Blessing of the Greens

Considering the 2017 El Salvador Mission Trip?

There Are So Many Reasons to Go...

March 25-31, 2017, Broadway will send its next El Salvador mission team on a trip to work with our Enlace partners. That is also spring break week for Columbia's public schools and colleges. So, why go to one of the poorest, most troubled countries in our hemisphere instead of a beach in Florida on your vacation? There are good reasons.

It is true that El Salvador is troubled. It is true that gang violence, especially in the urbanized regions of the country, is rampant. It is also true that El Salvador's standard of living is among the lowest in the western hemisphere. And, it is certain that, when you go, you will see things that trouble you—and that you will want to fix—with money or to just do it yourself.

The experience of El Salvador mission trips is special because the mission team is never in charge. The local churches and communities decide, in partnership with Enlace, what work projects are right for their people. During the 2016 trip, the focus was on building Eco-Stoves in a coastal village. In 2015, the team helped build chicken enclosures in a community near San Salvador. The work of the 2017 mission team will likely be decided a month or two before the team lands in country. But whatever work is done, it will be done alongside the people who will benefit from the project. They will work circles around their Missouri counterparts, but the value of the experience isn't how much you get done—it's in the relationships that are built as the stoves are sealed or the walls go up.

Why go? Ask anyone who has gone on a trip to El Salvador if they would go again, and the answer is always "yes." Even those who weren't really sure about the travel, or were concerned about things they were reading in the news—all "yes."

Before the next mission team leaves, the team



members will share a study on *Helping Without Hurting on Short-Term Mission Trips*. This book is a great resource which adheres closely to the Enlace philosophy of mission. The Enlace model centers on partnership, between local churches and communities and then the mission team. The projects are locally-devised and driven, focused on workable, local solutions to problems such as clean water, economic growth and good roads. The mission team provides extra hands, but is important simply because their presence lets the El Salvadorans know that they are not alone as they struggle to improve their lives.

If you are interested in making the trip to El Salvador in 2017, contact Debby Graham or Don Day. Mission team meetings will begin around the end of January, with travel plans locked in by February 1. The work is important—consider becoming a part of it next year.

Another Great Year for Trick or Trunk!

With more than 20 vehicles, about 250 eager trick or treaters and a crowd of 80 for the first-ever apres-Trirock or Trunk soup and sandwich dinner—Broadway's October 30 event was a success! Thanks to all who organized and participated in Trick or Trunk, and especially to Roma Kerns for the great pictures!



Highlights From the October Board Meeting

The Board of Broadway Christian Church met for its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The following is a summary of Board minutes. .

Information Items

Sandy Henderson gave a brief report on the book, *Rich Church, Poor Church*, which was recommended to Board members at the fall Retreat.

Ministry Reports

Connections Ministry: Marilyn McCreary announced that the theme of the 2017 Ladies' Brunch will "Fabulous Fifties." Connections also has plans to continue the Christmas Eve soup and sandwich lunch, as well as future Family Night events after the beginning the year.

Worship Ministry: Kristen Meade reported that words to hymns will continue to be projected during Traditional Worship through mid-November, at which time feedback will be solicited from worship attendees. New banners have been purchased for the Advent Season.

Service Ministry: Advent outreach has begun with the VAC Basket sponsors sign ups. The Tree of Hope begins November 20, with other Service seasonal outreach to follow. The Christmas Eve offering will benefit Enlace and Room a the Inn. Don Day also announced that First Christian Church will host *Street Stories*, an original drama, on November 18-20, with all proceeds to benefit Room at the Inn. The Reconciliation Grant request will be re-submitted in 2017.

Resource Ministry: For Permanent Funds, Debbie Fisher reminded Board members that Permanent Funds disbursement requests should be received by October 31 or April 30. Mike Crews, Chair of Property Ministry, shared that Property would work with Worship Ministry to address the Sanctuary's skylight repair. At its October meeting, Property team members received

a detailed report on roof damage and recommendations for repairs.

Discipleship: Patsy Dalton announced that CareLink would be adding an additional ministry in January. The "Calls" ministry team would make a phone contact with members who need a caring conversation with a friend. In September, CareLink proved 182 services for 100 individuals. Handy Helpers, coordinated by John Poehlman, is off to a great start.

Youth and Children's Ministry: Belinda Davis encouraged everyone to participate in Trick or Trunk on October 30, and stay for the new soup and sandwich meal following. The Children's Christmas program will be on December 11, with a Sunday School hour craft and games party. For Youth Ministry, Eric Lybeck-Brown announced that youth will study a Sunday morning curriculum called "Eating Right?", which looks at global food insecurity. A representative from Foods Resource Bank will be at Youth Group on November 2.

Action Items

The Bus Policies guidelines were presented by Jack Miles. After discussion, the policies were approved.

The Code of Ethics for Board members was presented by Leslie Clay and approved.

Following the Ministers' remarks, the Board meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. If you would like a copy of the complete Board minutes, please contact Ingrid in the office, or download a copy from the *Broadway Weekly* e-news.

YouthFest, Festival of Sharing Was Work of Our Hands

The annual Festival of Sharing gathering in Sedalia is a success because so many people pitch in to make it one! Just at Broadway, our preparation for the Festival began during late summer when Service Ministry began planning for the Work of Our Hands Table. All of the crafters who donated items for the sale began working on their projects months before. Most of the supplies for the October Festival were purchased during the "Back to School" super sales, so that we could maximize the effectiveness of our contributions.

And finally, all of those health and dental kits were assembled by Broadway's youth and Pathways kids as a service project. The kits were packed and



labeled by our Youth Group, and after the shipping and kit supplies were added up, Broadway was able to donate two medical kits that will provide medicines, first aid supplies and vitamins for two villages in the developing world. Pretty amazing!

Sponsor Our Sanctuary Flowers in 2017

The 2017 Flower Chart goes up this month. Sign up early if there is a particular Sunday that you would like to sponsor the beautiful floral arrangement for our Chancel table. The arrangements are done by Kent's Floral Gallery, and each Sunday's arrangement costs \$35.

Your donation of flowers will be included in the Sunday worship bulletin, along with your dedication. If you have questions, please contact Ingrid in the church office.

Welcome New Members!



Please welcome **William and Angela Zejda**, along with their son, Sam. William is a financial associate for Pepsi and Angela is a nurse at Surgery Center of Columbia. They enjoy the outdoors, sports and travel. They attend the 11:15 service.

Continuing Recovery...

... Jerry Litteral, Leo Manson, Jean Morrow, Terri Tatum.

Our Thoughts and Prayers...

... To the family and friends of Betsy Farris, who passed away after a long struggle with cancer on October 22. A Celebration of Life service was held in the Broadway Sanctuary on October 28.

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Congratulations...

... to Jennie Askren and Nathan Rumble, who were married in the Broadway Sanctuary on October 29. Jennie is the daughter of Ken and Linda Askren.

Celebrating November Birthdays

- 11/5 Debbie Danforth, Aubrey Atkins, Ember Atkins, Charlette Carrington, Debbie Danforth, Joan Hardaway
- 11/6 Christopher Hall, Jim Kern
- 11/7 Camille Colaner, Van Donley, Jan Frost, Wayne Holden, Aidan Trevor
- 11/8 Esther Colaner, Mary Secora
- 11/9 Jim Coffman, Debbie Fisher, Anthony Poehlmann
- 11/10 Thom Fritz, Lea Strayhall, Deb Ward
- 11/11 Ken Askren, Grace Butler, Laurel Harlan
- 11/12 Debbie Allen, Sophia Poehlmann
- 11/13 Emerson Naughton, Phil Weedin
- 11/14 Barb Stephenson
- 11/15 John Crouse, Hannah Ryan
- 11/16 Susan Blackmore, Tom Boren, Jerry Litteral, Sarina Smith
- 11/17 Jane Loudermilk
- 11/18 Julie Ausmus, Dana Fritz, Adler Kenney, Steve Wenger, Brett Wilson
- 11/19 Charlotte George, Chris Graham, Dana Jones, Garry Reams, Jessica Williams

- 11/20 Mark Dutton, Carolyn Ezzell
- 11/21 Ivan Keel, Tiffany Turner
- 11/22 Ryan Kenney,
- 11/23 Leona Litteral
- 11/25 Hugh Roach, Ron Marshall, Perry Griggs, Treston Archibald
- 11/26 Cyd Coil, Veronica Fritz, Charles Black, Marian Evers, Lee Lauer
- 11/27 Alex Jones, Madeline Jones, Emily Luckenbill,
- 11/28 Larry Chris Collins, Tina Windett, Melinda Lee, Sandra Hoover
- 11/29 Dave Fore, Jacob Toler, Eli Marshall, Aliya Smith,
- 11/30 Chuck Cassels, Jennifer Barb, Mark Koenig, John Claggett
- 12/1 Hannah Weaver, Kyle Rauch
- 12/2 Laura Morris
- 12/3 Tom Kopmann, Jaden Jackson, Chloe Coil
- 12/4 Alice Landrum



**Rocheport
Bluegrass
November 5
5:00 p.m.**

Ladies
LUNCHEON

**The Ladies Luncheon at
D Rowes will take a break
for the holidays—
see you in January!**

Attendance: October 2, 2016

Rocheport Bluegrass (10/1/16) 90

Worship Sunday School

8:00	39	Nursery thru Pre K	7
9:00	131	K thru 5th grade	30
11:15	<u>161</u>	All God's Children	10
	421	6-12 grades	23
		Adults	<u>37</u>
			107

Attendance: October 16, 2016

Worship Sunday School

8:00	37	Nursery thru Pre K	16
9:00	116	K thru 5th grade	36
11:15	<u>196</u>	All God's Children	11
	347	6-12 grades	23
		Adults	<u>58</u>
			144

Attendance: October 30, 2016

Worship Sunday School

8:00	47	Nursery thru Pre K	15
9:00	102	K thru 5th grade	29
11:15	<u>164</u>	All God's Children	11
	313	6-12 grades	24
		Adults	<u>66</u>
			145

Attendance: October 9, 2016

Worship Sunday School

8:00	49	Nursery thru Pre K	13
9:00	116	K thru 5th grade	30
11:15	<u>189</u>	All God's Children	11
	354	6-12 grades	28
		Adults	<u>66</u>
			148

Attendance: October 23, 2016

Worship Sunday School

8:00	43	Nursery thru Pre K	9
9:00	126	K thru 5th grade	21
11:15	<u>121</u>	All God's Children	10
	290	6-12 grades	18
		Adults	<u>57</u>
			115

BROADWAY'S FINANCIALS AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2016

REVENUES OFFERING	Total Budgeted 2016-2017	Received	Percentage	Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
Pledged Giving	\$736,432.00	\$252,435.36	34.28%	\$212,714.90	30.44%
Unpledged Giving	\$83,190.00	\$22,819.85	27.43%	\$20,175.00	35.49%
Loose Offering	\$9,200.00	\$3,596.54	39.09%	\$4,033.08	49.67%
Sunday School	\$0.00	\$41.51		\$19.88	
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$38.47		\$17.89	
TOTAL	\$828,822.00	\$278,931.73	33.65%	\$236,960.75	31.03%

CURRENT YEAR NET ACTIVITY:

\$21,495.61

EXPENSES	Total Budgeted 2016-2017	Expended	Percentage	Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
Staff Payroll	\$535,042.00	\$175,636.36	32.83%	\$169,268.39	32.41%
Administration	\$49,000.00	\$15,006.99	30.63%	\$15,960.37	32.58%
Children & Youth	\$9,500.00	-\$678.88	-7.15%	-\$1,734.81	23.90%
Connections	\$1,500.00	\$192.09	12.81%	\$641.39	49.34%
Discipleship	\$800.00	\$393.23	49.15%	\$123.75	10.31%
Property	\$137,111.00	\$43,794.37	31.94%	\$40,182.73	29.52%
Service (MOM)	\$82,418.00	\$20,108.98	24.26%	\$3,262.70	4.02%
Stewardship	\$700.00	\$9.39	1.34%	\$71.46	10.21%
Worship	\$12,751.00	\$2,973.59	24.20%	\$2,030.70	15.62%
TOTAL	\$828,822.00	\$257,436.12	31.06%	\$229,806.68	28.30%



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Sunday Sermons and Scriptures

November 6

Romans 6: 5-11
Source of Transformation

November 13

Luke 10: 38-42
Sweet Pickles

November 20

Isaiah 6: 1-8
Luke 22: 33-43
Thanksgiving Sunday

November 27

First Sunday of Advent
Matthew 24: 36-44

December 4

Second Sunday of Advent
Matthew 3: 1-12

Senior Minister

Tim Carson

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