

# BROADWAY LIFE

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## COMMUNITY CONVERSATION on faith and disability

A facilitated event where members of the community come together to work on solutions

**NOVEMBER 10  
6:00-8:00PM**

Hosted by Broadway Christian Church

Partnered with MU Department of Occupational Therapy



Churches continue to be a place that many people with disabilities struggle to find a place and space and a sense of celebration, yet it is the largest minority group of which you can become a part of on any day.

### Who Can Join the Conversation?

Everyone! All members of a faith-based community, disability organizations, individuals or family members with personal experience, or anybody who wants to learn more about faith and disability inclusion!



John DeLaporte delivered an outstanding sermon on Oct. 24th on the church and disability inclusion. If you haven't heard the message, please consider taking a listen! Nearly 1 in 3 people has a family member with a disability. In some cases, people may not personally identify with the label of disabled, but still might encounter challenges to participation in a faith community because of a variety of needs such as mental health conditions, physical challenges associated with aging, as well as known disabilities. There are also people who have left their faith communities because they weren't welcomed or the task of getting the supports that were needed was not worth the effort anymore. When we think about becoming more inclusive, it can be the tiniest of things...a simple greeting, making the font in the program slightly larger, providing peer supports for a youth activity, acknowledging

and supporting people with mental illness, and much, much more. Oftentimes, attitudinal barriers are the greatest obstacle to overcome, and sadly, it is of no surprise that less than 10% of faith communities offer any congregational wide discussions about disability inclusion.

Whether you are personally touched by this topic or want to learn more, please consider joining BCC and the Department of Occupational Therapy at MU for a community conversation on faith and disability. We have members of other congregations, disability advocates and disabled persons of all ages and background joining us. We hope to see you there too!

Register to [join the conversation here](#) or find the link on our website at [broadwaychristian.net](http://broadwaychristian.net).

*Lea Ann Lowery*





Somehow, it is November, 2021. It doesn't seem possible! The cliché fits: "*Well, we got here one day at a time!*" That is a true statement. The sentiment behind the idea of time flying is also true. We've pressed through a tough year – one we believed would be pandemic-free but such was not in the cards. Even so, we've made it to the month of gratitude and we could certainly use more expressions of this in our lives.

I shared in last Sunday's sermon that reports of unruly airline passengers have risen from 146 in 2019 to 4,491 in 2021 – with the two busiest flying months of the year still to come! We seem to be angrier than ever. In many ways, it's understandable. We've been more stressed than usual. We're grieving losses of experiences, opportunities and even friends in this pandemic season. Many have re-evaluated priorities and we're all living into and out of those choices right now. Like any

transition, there is a rub or friction that comes in the shifting to something new or different.

With November upon us, I wonder if we can shift our focus. What if we spent this month reflecting on things we are grateful for, even living through a challenging season? How have you grown as a person? As a Christian? As a friend? What has a different pace taught you about living a more sustainable lifestyle? Who rallied in your life in unexpected ways, creating a life-changing and fulfilling relationship you didn't even know you needed? Reflecting on moments of gratitude can shift your focus from what feels negative, what feels like loss, what surfaces as frustration into a positive, life-giving outlook on the present and the future.

We'll be focusing on gratitude at Broadway in the month of November. We invite you to join us! Practice gratitude, friends, and see how it lifts us all into a beautiful new season of life together, one day at a time.

*My Regards,  
Mark Briley, Lead Minister*



## Comeback from COVID

Broadway is returning to life and ministry in its fullest more and more every day. While there are a few precautions remaining as we maneuver through what we hope are the end stages of the pandemic, most all of our ministries are running and building forward momentum. We are welcoming new guests to worship each week, faith formative opportunities for children, youth and adults are regularly increasing, and service opportunities are available like never before! Come join us at Broadway and among the city of Columbia as we flourish forward following one of the hardest seasons of our lives. Your presence matters and we are eager to grow together!

## Action Teams Rolling!

At the October launch event, the Fellowship Hall was buzzing with joyful enthusiasm as six new Action Teams met to begin their work, bringing life to the recently approved *Priority Action Plan* ([link shared here](#)). All six teams are meeting regularly and currently in stages of review and analysis of current practices and realities. Team leaders will meet early in December to report their progress and propose potential steps in their respective plans for Action. Join us in prayer for our new teams, their leaders, and the opportunities for all at Broadway to engage and grow our mission forward.

## Right Here, Right Now

### NEW ADULT ADVENT STUDY

MEETING THE FOUR SUNDAYS OF ADVENT

Dozens of adult study and small groups are sojourning through Broadway's fall trimester. This Advent, let's add one more opportunity to the mix! Each Sunday during Advent will host a devotional and sermon study series exploring

our 2021 theme, "Right here, Right now!"

We will meet during the discipleship hour and pray, study and discuss our way to Christmas. If you would like to bring some intention and reflection to your Advent this season, please register by contacting John at ([idelaporte@broadwaychristian.net](mailto:idelaporte@broadwaychristian.net)).

Nov 28, Dec 5, Dec 12, and Dec 19.

## Fall Sunday School for Children & Youth IN FULL SWING!

Broadway's Sunday School is two months into our Fall semester with lots of learning to report and exciting topics on the horizon! Each Sunday from 10-11, our staff and dedicated volunteers provide engaging and fun lessons on topics relevant to our children's faith and development. Read on to see what we are learning!

What would you wish for if you could have anything? This is a question our Worship and Wonder and Pathways students will be exploring this month as they learn about Solomon, the wise king! Pathways and WW will continue to meet outdoors this month as weather allows. When rain or cold prevent outdoor learning, students will meet indoors in the cinema room for in-person and hybrid lessons.

Theological anthropology for middle schoolers?! Indeed! Our 6-8<sup>th</sup> graders are examining important questions around faith and identity in fun, relevant ways. *Who am I? What shapes and influences my identity at this moment of my life? Who does God say that I am as created in God's image and likeness?* November will offer discussion around the masks we wear that conceal our truest selves, and explore how to live our God-given identity with uniqueness and integrity!

High Schoolers are wrapping up their exploration of our current sermon series, *Jesus for Real*. Since September, 9-12 graders have been breaking open Broadway's new Priority Action Plan along with the wider congregation. Our activities, scripture study, and discussions are designed to complement the experience of worship while engaging our teens at this important moment in Broadway's history. With many of our teens involved in the work of the PAP itself, you can imagine how exciting this is! *Jesus for Real* will give way to reflections on gratitude in November leading into Advent and Christmas.

And All God's Children continues to move in step with our wider programming. AGC interns provide support for our gifted disciples in our classrooms while working on building faith routines and relationships during the 11:00 AGC hour!

We are proud and honored to offer our children sacred space to grow in faith and purpose. We pray each Sunday will continue to inspire, inform, and transform our children as they discover who God is calling them to be!

*John, Taby, Kate, and Crystal  
Children's & Youth Faith Formation Team*

## M.O.M. Is Busy in November!

We will be looking forward to Advent and seeking sponsors to purchase gifts for families through the Voluntary Action Center. A donation could also be given to the VAC through their website at <https://www.vacmo.org/>.

Don Harter and some other hardy souls will be looking for volunteers in preparation for bell ringing at the West Broadway HyVee for the Salvation Army. [Sign up here](#) or contact Don Harter.

Broadway will be working at the Mobile Food Bank on November 17 to help families in need. We do this every month and always need more people to join the effort. Check for the sign-up link in the Weekly e-news.

Broadway will host the SERRV sale on **Saturday December 4 & 11** to benefit students in Central America. A large variety of items ranging from ear rings to baskets to home décor can be found at this sale. Great opportunity to find that perfect gift for someone while helping others.

Room at The Inn has been looking since April for a suitable place to lease this winter, but has been unable to find one. If one cannot be found Broadway, Fairview United Methodist and Missouri United Methodist will be hosting again this year. Any and all volunteers are welcome. Look for a signup genius to help prepare food, serve as hosts or other tasks.

*Wayne Dykstra, M.O.M Ministry Chair*



## Elf Shortage!

Santa's Elves are very busy preparing for his big night, and none could be spared to help us decorate the church this year. So, we're looking for volunteers of all varieties and abilities, who have some Elf Spirit. We need tall people, short people, people who can work sitting down, people who are not afraid of heights, artistic people, artistic assistant people, people who have helped year after year, people new to Broadway, and people who enjoy seeing the end product.

Vickie Keeling-Wallace is busy preparing lists of jobs that need to be done. If you or your group can assist, please contact her for questions and assignments at 573-823-3878.

### Dates:

Mon, 11/8: Prep greenery and lights

Tues, 11/9-13: Decorate *Tree of Hope*. Maybe a small group would like to do this.

Mon, 11/15: Help bring boxes of decorations to the Fellowship Hall for Tuesday fluffing.

Tues, 11/16, 9am-noon: Remove decorations from boxes & prep for hanging - many people needed.

Fri, 11/19-20: Help bring all other decorations out of closets.

Sun, 11/21, 2pm-5pm: **All church decorating!**



Each Sunday, Broadway's Chancel is enhanced with a beautiful floral arrangement. What you may not realize is that our members sponsor each Sunday's flowers! You can sponsor an arrangement in celebration or in memory of a special person or event. The arrangements are crafted by Kent's Floral Gallery and cost \$35. Look for the Flower Chart in the Narthex this Sunday!

## Broadway Staff Team Updates

With deep gratitude for their service to God through our ministry at Broadway, we celebrate the ministry of Deb Carr, *Organist and Traditional Worship Coordinator* and Aimee McBride, *Director of Children's Ministries*, as both have resigned in recent weeks. Both Deb and Aimee served faithfully for more than five years in these roles and have certainly impacted the lives of so many. If you haven't had opportunity already, please send these beloved members of our team your well wishes as they begin the next chapters of their lives.

By way of update, search processes are, or will soon be, underway to fill these two vacancies on our team. Both positions are

undergoing evaluation to ensure we promote the most effective description of the role to fit our current and future needs. The position of Organist is currently being filled by substitute pianist/accompanists from week to week. This will continue through the end of the year while Organist candidates are considered. Children's Ministry Assistant, Kate Stecklein, will increase her time and role with our children and families as the Director position is reviewed and refined in preparation for the next leader to step into the role.

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement and support as we transition from the beautiful ministry of our teammates into the next chapter of each role at Broadway.



**Missouri Department of Corrections**  
**Missouri Veterans Project**  
**Yarn, Knitting Needles & Crochet Hooks Needed!**

The group in the Missouri Veterans Project at Moberly Corrections Center will use the supplies to make hats to donate to Veterans who are in need. They are distributed through Patriots of Valor, Operation Boots to Stockings & Pay It Forward Program.

**Please bring all donations by November 14**





**Fall into Youth Group**

-Join Youth Ensemble as they plan a Christmas Musical Special for Dec 12th, practices start Nov 7th, 4:30-6pm  
-Youth Make-A-Difference Month (What?!) That's right, join us all month in service projects. Rake Leaves Nov 14th, Buy gifts for kids in the community and more!  
Freshmen Small Group meets Nov 14th for breakfast (9am)  
-Come one, Come all for our church wide movie night Nov 19 with activities 6-8pm in CLC



**Seasoned Spirits**  
a 50+ Fellowship of Broadway Christian Church

**No Luncheon in November**  
**Monday, December 13, Mother Singers**  
**11:30am - 1pm, BCC Fellowship Hall**  
**\$10 Lunch & Program**

## **Continuing Recovery:**

Grace Butler, Trish Carlton, Ron & Sue Crouse, Patsy & David Dalton, Joyce Godbee, Janice Henson, Bob & Pat Klein, Paul Meyer, Judy Letourneau, Jim Thorne, Evan Turner

## **Thoughts and Prayers:**

~For Cindy Davis and Chuck Davis in the passing of their beloved Aunt Sadie from Winslow, AZ at the age of 94.

~For family and friends of Leona Litteral who passed away on October 9. Services were held on Oct 13.

~For Ron Marshall and family on the sudden death of his brother, Donny, on Oct. 10.

~A Memorial Service for long time Broadway Member, Robert McArthur, has been scheduled to take place at Broadway on Friday, November 12 at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

## **Congratulations:**

To Hannah & Clint (Overfelt) Muzzy on the birth of their first baby boy, Eli Davis Muzzy, born on Monday, October 18.

Proud Grandparents are Jeff & Terry Overfelt and Doug & Gina Muzzy, proud Great Grandmother, Nancy Muzzy and to the entire Overfelt/Muzzy Clan.

## **Thanks Received:**

~Dear Broadway Friends, Thank you so much for your prayers, cards and texts during my time of sadness and loss due to my sister's recent death. Your support means the world to me and my family. Thanks, Bob Eichenberger

~The Daltons thank our loving church family for the prayers, cards, calls, meals, visits, handy helper and other assistance over the past months. Our ministers have been so attentive and have cared for us. Our church is fortunate to have CareLink to support so many of our church family members. We love you church family. Patsy and David

~Thanks so much to handy helpers who arrived on short notice to assist with moving something off my deck before the rain hit this week! They are a blessing to many. Sending appreciation for their service, Carole Braun

~On behalf of the Marshall family, I would like to thank all of the BCC family for the kind words, phone calls, cards, and prayers with the passing of my brother Don. The love and support we have received has been amazing! Thank you all! Ron Marshall

## **Celebrating November Birthdays**

- 11/1 Linda Evans, Gia Overfelt
- 11/2 Pat Klein, Quincy Wiegand, George Willard
- 11/3 Maria Eichenberger
- 11/4 Audrey Oliver
- 11/6 Christopher Hall
- 11/7 Camille Colaner, Van Donley, Jan Frost, Sloane Hinrichs, Wayne Holden, Craig Martin, Aidan Trevor
- 11/8 Mary Secora, Esther Colaner
- 11/9 Debbie Fisher, Jim Coffman
- 11/10 Lea Strayhall, Deb Ward
- 11/11 Grace Butler, Laurel Harlan, Callie Gates
- 11/12 Debbie Allen
- 11/14 Barb Stephenson, Amanda Roye
- 11/15 John Crouse, Noah Hardaway
- 11/16 Tom Boren, Susan Blackmore, Cindy Butler,
- 11/17 Matthew Reustle
- 11/18 Steve Wenger, Dana Fritz, Adler Kenney
- 11/19 Charlotte George, Chris Graham, Garry Reams, Jessica Williams
- 11/20 Carolyn Ezzell, Mark Dutton
- 11/21 Phil Schoo
- 11/22 Ryan Kenney
- 11/25 Ron Marshall
- 11/26 Cyd Coil, Veronica Fritz, Charles Black
- 11/27 Alex Jones, Madeline Jones
- 11/28 Larry Chris Collins, Tina Van Ness, Sandra Hoover
- 11/29 Eli Marshall, Aliya Smith
- 11/30 Jennifer Barb, Mark Koenig, John Claggett

## **Celebrating December Birthdays**

- 12/1 Hannah Weaver
- 12/2 Adam Morris, Laura Morris
- 12/3 Tom Kopmann, Chloe Coil, Doug Garrison, Marilyn Lake,
- 12/4 Alice Landrum, Gerry Gilbert
- 12/6 Carrie Briley
- 12/7 George Garner, Jennie Rumble
- 12/9 John Brenner, Carol Vance, David Eagle,
- 12/10 Benjamin Crenshaw, Heather Blust
- 12/11 Alexander Boren, Lyle Johnson
- 12/12 Joyce Wood Harter, Bruce Henson
- 12/13 Emma Azdell, Alan Forbis, Dave Rawlings, Gary Moss
- 12/14 Gary Hudspeth
- 12/15 Gloria Beranek, Scott Kersey
- 12/16 Barbara Gahagan, Mike McGeehan
- 12/17 Shelly Fletcher, Stuart Head, Donna Burris
- 12/20 Delesia Naugle, Zach Grueber, Dennis Blust
- 12/22 Sue Crouse, Carol Sulltrop, Michael Smith



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## BROADWAY FINANCIALS AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2021

REVENUES OFFERING	Total Budgeted 2021-2022	Received	Percentage
Pledged Giving	\$845,749.10	\$263,455.05	31.15%
Unpledged Giving	\$52,688.15	\$14,004.00	26.58%
Loose Offering	\$10,168.73	\$2,740.12	26.95%
Sunday School	\$0.00		
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$4.34	
Approved Budget Allocation	\$57,881.34		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$966,487.32</b>	<b>\$280,203.51</b>	<b>28.99%</b>

Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
\$279,233.93	34.69%
\$9,924.96	9.32%
\$211.00	1.66%
\$3.68	
<b>\$289,373.57</b>	<b>31.30%</b>

CURRENT YEAR ACTIVITY: **-\$15,354.76**

EXPENSES	Total Budgeted 2021-2022	Expended	Percentage
Staff Payroll	\$649,307.60	\$210,475.71	32.42%
Administration	\$48,135.00	\$14,846.96	30.84%
Children & Youth	\$16,020.00	\$3,282.55	20.49%
Fellowship	\$1,800.00	\$372.07	20.67%
Discipleship	\$1,150.00	\$38.72	3.37%
Property	\$132,700.00	\$40,766.10	30.72%
Mission & Outreach	\$96,648.72	\$23,345.60	24.16%
Stewardship	\$630.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Worship	\$20,096.00	\$2,430.56	12.09%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$966,487.32</b>	<b>\$295,558.27</b>	<b>30.58%</b>

Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
\$182,088.96	29.59%
\$11,340.91	24.16%
\$1,354.03	8.44%
\$50.64	2.81%
\$0.00	0.00%
\$34,959.26	26.58%
\$19,166.75	20.73%
\$0.00	0.00%
\$1,847.95	9.68%
<b>\$250,808.50</b>	<b>27.13%</b>



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