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Putting Out the Welcome Mat at Broadway!



We all know Broadway is a special place to do church. We have seen it, experienced it, participated in making those special ministries and missions happen. We have experienced an abundance of blessings, and we are thankful!

We are thankful, too, for the new faces we are seeing on Sunday mornings. Broadway has always been known as a friendly church, and there is very little chance that a visitor will enter our doors without a smile and greeting. Our visitors are experiencing that warm welcome now, and those smiles, along with our wonderful ministers and ministry opportunities, are encouraging those visitors to return for a second, third and more Sunday!

We will be seeing more visitors in the next few weeks, as families search for a closer connection to a faith community during this sacred time of year. As you encounter individuals who may be looking for a good church to put Christ back in their Christmas, please issue an invitation! Our Advent Season is always special, and especially beautiful!

In other words, let's not hide our light under a bushel—we ought to let it shine all over Columbia! After all, it is what Mr. Chuck and the littlest learners sing almost every Sunday in Sunday School!

***The Church Office will be
closed on Tuesday, November
12, for a Staff Retreat***

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My Regards...

Charter member, Eileen Perry, said it first: *"By our love we have been known. By our love we will press forward!"* The gathered faithful in Broadway's sanctuary responded in one voice: *"Together we stand!"* Charter member, George Garner said it second and again, in unison, the people of Broadway professed: *"Together we stand!"* Then Dorothy Sprouse and Don Day, Ed Stansberry and Ellen Flottman offered the same line with the same congregational response. Finally, thirteen-year-old Braeden Hardaway, as sharply dressed as one could possibly be with a gleaming smile that spanned ear to ear voices one more time: *"By our love we have been known. By our love we will press forward!"* How could the Broadway faithful not almost shout in one accord, *"Together we stand!"* Such was the way last Sunday evening's *Service of Installation and Celebration* concluded.



Voices of Broadway through the decades led the charge and we stood tall with them to affirm our own, *"Yes, Lord. Yes. We're in!"* It was as touching and humbling a moment as I've experienced in a long while. I was so honored to stand with our ministry team and congregation and hear the witness of some of my best friends, colleagues, and even my own father, all sharing a marvelous word about the blessing of being church together in this new season. Area Minister, Paul Koch, led us in a beautiful prayer of blessing and systematically worked through pastors, lay leaders, and church family alike, that we all might affirm this partnership we share in ministry. The music was stunning! The gift of artwork by our own master artist, Jenny McGee, was breathtaking and a forever treasure. Family and friends from as far as New York City, Keene, New Hampshire, Tulsa, Oklahoma and Kansas City showed up to say, *"We believe in the work of Christ yet to be done in and through this people."* *"Thank you,"* is inadequate but I trust you know how deep my gratitude runs.

Most importantly, as dear friend Liz Myer pointed out in the service, my name was not on the front of the bulletin. She says, in a way that had you hanging on each new word, *"Do you know whose name is on the front of the bulletin?"* A few of us took a peek. *"Yours,"* she says. *"Broadway Christian Church."* It was the heartfelt reminder that any installation of ministry, any celebration of ministry, is our best joint effort. And this collective light shone in the room, a warm glow that rose from the congregation as if to affirm this shared calling. The priesthood of all believers was once again the call of the

moment. Your gifts, my gifts, and the gifts of those yet to join this sixty-one year effort of faith at 2601 West Broadway are called again to joyfully rise in pursuit of the prize of a fully-inclusive life in the ways of Jesus. In that moment, I signed up for this Call all over again. I'm fully in... and I hope you're fully in too.

Part of me felt like Peter on the Mount of Transfiguration last Sunday night, wanting to say, *"Lord, it's good for us to be here. Can we just stay in this moment?"* However, you and I both know the real life of faith is found in the grind of our daily realities. Faith is lived where grace and justice meet, where the greatest needs of the world are met with your greatest passions to heal those needs. This faith is lived on the fuel of love by which we press forward.

Walking to the car in the parking lot following a beautifully crafted reception by Dixie Fisher and friends, I had that lump rise in my throat as I gazed at the stars soaring over the roof of our sanctuary. *"Here we go, Lord,"* I whispered in my heart. And with my tie slightly loosened and my arms around my sons, I uttered the words over their heads, *"By our love we have been known. By our love we will press forward."*

My regards,
Mark

Service of Installation Marks 'Official' Welcome for Mark

Mark, Carrie, Morgan, Dane and Hayes Briley are likely aware by now that we are all very happy that is our new Lead Minister! The Broadway family has 'meet and greeted,' lunched, grilled and chatted with the Briley family in every spare moment! But on Sunday, November 3, Broadway and the larger Disciples Church welcomed Mark and his family with a Service of Installation. The Service drew Disciples ministers from across Missouri and the country, including Mark's father, who delivered a good word.

Mark and family—we hope you feel welcomed. We hope you feel that you are home (even during these weeks in Grandma Anderson's basement!). We look forward to the time when we are all settled in, and are listening for that still, small voice that will help us discern Broadway's future path and service.



December 1 Is the First Sunday of Advent

Preparations Have Begun for Advent Season!

Just last Sunday, before Rev. Mark Briley's Service of Installation, the first sign of a Broadway Christmas appeared—our children and parents began rehearsals for our children's Christmas Program on December 15! If you take a good look at your calendar, that is only six short weeks away!



Boone County, including kids from Coyote Hill and local schools, who need our support to have a merrier Christmas season! The Tree is going up a bit earlier this year, to allow our Broadway shoppers the opportunity to shop the "good sales" that pop up prior to Thanksgiving.

After we've all finished taking our calming breaths, let's talk Advent! As we near the first Sunday of December and the beginning of the Advent Season, you will begin to see sure signs that church staff and volunteers are preparing. On Sunday, November 17, the Tree of Hope will be up in Fellowship Hall. The Tree will contain the names of children from around

Children's Christmas Program rehearsals will continue on Sunday afternoons. Miss Aimee and her helpers will provide a light lunch in Fellowship Hall at 12:15 p.m. for program participants prior to each rehearsal. If your child was unable to attend last Sunday, but would like to participate, please contact Aimee at amcbride@broadwaychristian.net or 445.5312.

Support Disciples Higher Ed with Thanksgiving Offering

From the very beginnings of the movement, Disciples have founded institutions of higher learning, encouraging students in their intellectual pursuits. The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is still committed to higher education. Currently, over 52,000 students attend our fifteen Disciples related colleges and universities or seven seminaries and divinity houses. And in the past twelve months, over 12,000 students have graduated from these fine schools. On November 24, Disciples churches across the US and Canada will collect the Thanksgiving offering. Your gift to the Thanksgiving offering helps to support the work of our institutions of higher learning in many ways: financially supporting Disciples related schools, providing undergraduate scholarships and support for spiritual life offices, and providing scholarships and

support for those pursuing theological education. This November, please give generously to this year's



Thanksgiving offering. Your gifts make a world of difference as Disciples continue our legacy of supporting education and our institutions of higher learning.

Celebrating A Disciples Original With An Oringal!

For those who attended Mark's Service of Installation on November 3, this will be old news. But for those who were unable to attend, this is definitely news worth knowing!



As a part of Mark's installation, he was presented with a gift from the family of Broadway—an original poster created by our own Jenny McGee, which shows our beautiful facility and many of the ministries that have become synonymous with Broadway Christian Church.

This artwork was commissioned by our Executive Committee as a gift for Mark, but also as an opportunity for all of us to purchase a print of Jenny's artwork. There are a limited number of prints available for purchase at a cost of \$40. The prints are available in the church office—please contact Ingrid at 445.5312 if you would like more information.



BROADWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday, November 9

- 8:00 a.m. Property Work Day
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Make A Difference Day

Sunday, November 10

- 12:15 p.m. – Children's Christmas Program
- 2:00 p.m. Lunch & rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group

Wednesday, November 13

- 3:00 p.m. Property Work Day
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Bells rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Team meeting
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, November 14

- 6:00 p.m. Ensemble rehearsal

Saturday, November 16

- 8:30 a.m. Christians United in Prayer Workshop

Monday, November 18

- 6:00 p.m. Property Ministry meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Mission & Outreach Ministry meeting

Tuesday, November 19

- 8 AM-Noon Fluffing of the Greens

Wednesday, November 20

- 6:00 p.m. Youth Game Night

Nov. 27-29

- Church Office closed

Sunday, December 1

- First Sunday of Advent



Casseroles and Cookies!

The Story of the Phone Calls We Love to Get!!

These days we often dread answering the phone. What kind of bothersome phone solicitor will it be this time? BUT, CareLink's Calls of Concern are the calls we love to receive.

In fact, they're important to those who receive them. And to those who make the calls. CareLink's Calls of Concern ministry team is made up of chair Ethel Okker and four other women who are the voices we often want to hear--Mary Helen Horton, Vicki Brown, Cecilia Kersey and Cheryl Moore. This ministry is open to men too of course so if interested, Ethel would love to talk to you about joining the team.

Why the phone calls? Well, CareLink calls of concern are initially made to someone who may have a health issue, a recent hospitalization or maybe just needs a boost. After learning of a need, Ethel asks a team member to begin making calls to that person. Sometimes she matches people who may have something in common but often that doesn't matter over time.

It's up to the CareLink caller as to how often they call and it varies by individual preference.

Friendships often grow out of these calls of concern. And the amazing thing is that the calls work both ways--often the caller gets as much joy and appreciation from the phone call as the person being called. The whole idea is to CONNECT, just reach

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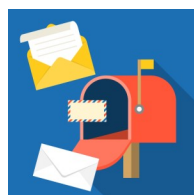
- ♥ Services provided: 194
 - ♥ People served: 172
 - ♥ Calls/emails: 269
 - ♥ Volunteers serving: 124
- These numbers do not include the ongoing regular visits and pastoral calls by our ministers.**

CareLink Co-chairs

Patsy Dalton and Linda Poehlmann

out and talk to another member of our church family. Share their thoughts and concerns. And if needed, the CareLink caller can pass on some requests or concerns to CareLink coordinators.

And surprise, surprise, we always need more CareLink volunteers. If you are limited in your ability to leave your home, consider this beautiful ministry. You can make a huge difference in people's lives with just a call of concern.



We've Got Mail

Please share with Alice Lanier how much I enjoyed the pasta dish.

The brownies were the best I've had in some time. And I appreciated the color and texture additions of the raw carrots and delicious pickle chips. An A+ rating for the Christian Care of CareLink.

Melody Freeman

Be A Part of the CareLink Ministry:

Just let Patsy Dalton (356-6036) or Linda Poehlmann (234-1950) know that you'd like to be a volunteer in one of 10 different CareLink ministries, including Calls of Concern!

Burmese “Friends-Giving” Returns on November 24

On the Sunday before Thanksgiving in 2018, Broadway members gathered with members of our nested Myanmar Christian Fellowship congregation for a celebration of thanksgiving and freindship. The gathering was such a success and celebration that we promised to do it again—and here we are in November, 2019!



The program is in the planning stages, but we did enjoy songs from several Burmese vocalists—if you walk into the Fellowship Hall after 11:30 on Sunday morning, you can hear their excellent musicians. We hope to enjoy their music again this year, as

well as hear their personal stories of immigration to the United States.

Our second annual Friends-Giving celebration will be held on Sunday, November 24, at 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Mission & Outreach Ministry will provide turkey and ham for the entree, and everyone else is invited to contribute a side dish, dessert and/or bread for the feast! At our 2018 gathering, four banquet tables were overflowing with food of all cultures and kinds!

Both Broadway and the Burmese have much to be thankful for in 2019— let us celebrate together during this season of bounty and blessing!

Providing A Souper-Supper for Our Partners in Ed

Broadway's partnership with the Center for Early Learning North is in its second year, and there is one aspect of our work together that the teachers and staff have really enjoyed—the fact that Broadway is home to such awesome cooks!



CELN on Monday, November 11. We plan to have the meal ready to serve by 4:30 p.m., and the menu is soup, soup and soup!

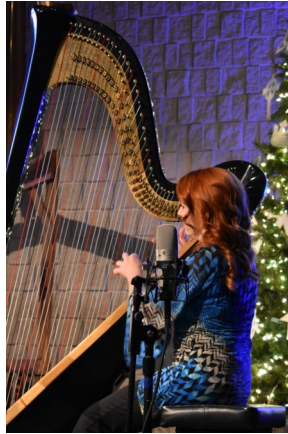
As the home for three of Columbia Public School's pre-school educational programs: Parents As Teachers; Pre-School Special education; and Title I Preschools, CELN serves hundreds of children and their families, but has no Parent-Teacher Association. So Broadway has tried to fill that gap by providing a meal during the time of parent-teach conferences.

If you can provide a pot of soup for November 11, please contact Debby at 445.5312. We hope to deliver 10 pots of soup, crackers and cookies to sustain the teachers on their first night of conferences. If you would like to bring your soup on Sunday, November 10, we can refrigerate it and re-heat it for the following day.

We will provide a meal for the teachers and staff at

Blue Christmas Harp & Healing Returns December 3

There is a song in the musical “Les Misérables,” that speaks of empty chairs and empty tables. The chairs that were once occupied by loved ones around a table brimming with food, drink, the overlapping conversations of good friends and family—the vacant spaces of those chairs and tables are a reminder of times, places and especially the people we miss with “a grief that can’t be spoken.”



special Blue Christmas service at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Maria Trevor will provide the beautiful music, with readings and scriptures from Broadway’s ministers. Once again this December, we will welcome our special guest, artist Vesna Delevska, who offers her visual artistic interpretation of Maria’s harp music and the readings.

Grief and loss are keenly felt during the holidays. On Tuesday, December 3, our Harp & Healing service will focus on those feelings with a

This service is open to all Broadway members, friends and our Columbia community. There will be a reception in Fellowship Hall following the service.

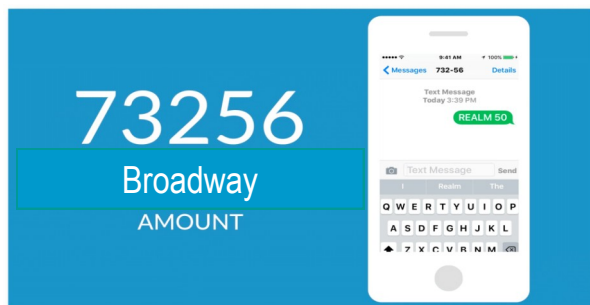
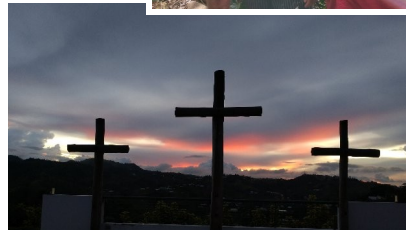
Local Civil Rights Pilgrimage Draws Over 150

On a chilly and drizzling October Sunday afternoon, more than 150 members of Columbia faith communities, friends and citizens joined together for a Columbia Civil Rights Pilgrimage to local historically African-American churches in the old Sharp End neighborhood. At each church, those who participated learned about each church’s history, and at Fifth Street Chrisitan Church, Verna Leboy gave a dramatic presentation of Annie Fisher, Columbia’s “Biscuit Lady” and an important entrepreneur in Columbia’s black community. The Pilgrimage ended with fellowship at St. Luke’s Methodist Church—and with much discussion about next steps for the Continuing the Conversation group!



A Small, But Mighty, Mission Team to Puerto Rico

You can't measure devotion to service in mere numbers. Our Broadway Puerto Rico Mission Team spent a week with the Disciples Volunteering Station in San Juan, Puerto Rico and did an amazing amount of work, especially for a five-person team! But as we continue to discover on our international mission trips, it is not the amount of dirt you move or dry wall you hang; sometimes the most valuable work happens during the down time.



**Did You know that You can
text to give at Broadway?**

Yes, You Can!!

Sponsor Our 2020 Sanctuary Flowers

Every Sunday morning, our Sanctuary is graced with a beautiful fresh floral arrangement for the Chancel. You may not know that each Sunday's flowers are sponsored by a Broadway member!

You can sponsor Sunday flowers in celebration or in memory of a special person or event in your life. The arrangements are designed by Kent's Floral Gallery, and are only \$35 to sponsor. Following our final worship, the Sanctuary flowers are re-purposed into smaller arrangements for our homebound members by our Flower Ministry. Look for the sign-up flower chart in the Narthex this Sunday!

Continuing Recovery...

... Ken Buckler, Grace Butler, Richie Crosset, Jay Dudley, Luci Fichter, Michelle Kersey, Ethel Okker, Jim Thorne, Polly White, Cindy Zirrillio

Our Thoughts and Prayers...

... To Eric Lybeck-Brown and family, on the death of his paternal grandmother, at the age of 97.

Congratulations...

... To Whitney and Gage Ryan and big brother Oliver, on the birth of their daughter and sister, Forrest Fiona Ryan, born on Friday, October 25. Grandparents are Bill Ryan and Kim Gage Ryan and proud great-grandmother, Gay Gage.

... To Thom Fritz and My Kim, who were married on November 2. Thom is the son of Dana and Scott Fritz.

... To Shelby Graham and Patrick Horton, who were married on November 2 in Springfield, MO. Shelby is the daughter of Debby and Chris Graham.

Thanks Received...

... Dear Broadway 60+ Friends,

I would like to thank all my Broadway "60+ Group" friends for the opportunity to serve as your coordinator for the past 21 years. During this time, we have shared great fun and fellowship. It was a real pleasure to serve in this capacity and I have cherished every year. God's Blessings to each of you!

Darlene & Jack Miles

Celebrating November Birthdays...

11/1 Linda Evans
 11/2 Pat Klein, Quincy Wiegand, George Willard
 11/3 Maria Eichenberger
 11/5 Aubrey Atkins, Ember Atkins, Charlette Carrington, Debbie Danforth
 11/6 Christopher Hall
 11/7 Camille Colaner, Van Donley, Jan Frost,

Sloane Hinrichs, Wayne Holden, Craig Martin, Aidan Trevor

11/8 Esther Colaner, Mary Secora
 11/9 Jim Coffman, Debbie Fisher
 11/10 Lea Strayhall, Deb Ward
 11/11 Ken Askren, Grace Butler, Laurel Harlan
 11/12 Debbie Allen
 11/13 Emerson Naughton, Phil Weedon
 11/14 Barb Stephenson
 11/15 John Crouse, Noah Hardaway
 11/16 Susan Blackmore, Tom Boren
 11/17 Matthew Reustle
 11/18 Adler Kenney, Dana Fritz, Steve Wenger
 11/19 Charlotte George, Chris Graham, Garry Reams, Jessica Williams
 11/20 Mark Dutton, Carolyn Ezzell
 11/21 Ivan Keel, Phil Schoo
 11/22 Ryan Kenney
 11/23 Leona Litteral
 11/25 Ron Marshall
 11/26 Charles Black, Cyd Coil, Veronica Fritz
 11/27 Alex Jones, Madeline Jones
 11/28 Larry Chris Collins, Sandra Hoover, Tina Van Ness
 11/29 Dave Fore, Eli Marshall, Aliya Smith
 11/30 Jennifer Barb, John Claggett, Mark Koenig

Celebrating December Birthdays...

12/1 Hannah Weaver
 12/2 Laura Morris
 12/3 Chloe Coil, Doug Garrison, Tom Kopmann, Marilyn Lake
 12/4 Gerry Gilbert, Alice Landrum
 12/6 Carrie Briley
 12/7 George Garner, Parker Murphy, Kennedy Naughton, Jennie Rumble
 12/9 John Brenner, David Eagle, Carol Vance
 12/40 Heather Blust, Benjamin Crenshaw

BROADWAY BY THE NUMBERS

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Attendance: October 6, 2019

Rocheport Bluegrass (10.5.19) 80

Worship	Sunday School
8:00 24	Nursery thru Pre K 17
9:00 137	K thru 5th grade 28
11:15 <u>280</u>	All God's Children 356
521	6-12 grades 20
	Adults <u>46</u>
	111

Attendance: October 20, 2019

Worship	Sunday School
8:00 31	Nursery thru Pre K 11
9:00 115	K thru 5th grade 24
11:15 <u>210</u>	All God's Children 21
356	6-12 grades <u>38</u>
	Adults 94

Attendance: September 29, 2019

Rocheport Bluegrass (11.2.19) 84

Worship	Sunday School
8:00 31	Nursery thru Pre K 10
9:00 124	K thru 5th grade 13
11:15 <u>212</u>	All God's Children 3
451	6-12 grades 17
	Adults <u>41</u>
	84

Attendance October 27, 2019

Worship	Sunday School
8:00 27	Nursery thru Pre K
9:00 109	K thru 5th grade
11:15 <u>183</u>	All God's Children
319	6-12 grades 25
	Adults <u>41</u>

Attendance: October 13, 2019

Worship	Sunday School
8:00 35	Nursery thru Pre K 12
9:00 97	K thru 5th grade 26
11:15 <u>207</u>	All God's Children
339	6-12 grades 16
	Adults <u>25</u>
	79

BROADWAY FINANCIALS AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2019

REVENUES	Total Budgeted 2019-2020	Received	Percentage
OFFERING			
Pledged Giving	\$730,064.68	\$241,750.46	33.11%
Unpledged Giving	\$108,726.98	\$14,380.90	13.23%
Loose Offering	\$11,047.91	\$4,323.91	39.14%
Sunday School	\$0.00	\$11.00	
Interest Income	\$0.00	\$70.44	
Current Yr Net Activity			
TOTAL	\$849,839.57	\$260,536.71	30.66%

Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
\$240,745.95	31.74%
\$14,472.00	11.58%
\$4,381.20	43.81%
\$13.00	
\$64.93	
\$259,677.08	29.06%

CURRENT YEAR ACTIVITY: \$15,658.82

EXPENSES	Total Budgeted 2019-2020	Expended	Percentage
Staff Payroll	\$557,755.42	\$168,377.64	30.19%
Administration	\$44,465.00	\$12,318.72	27.70%
Children & Youth	\$14,584.50	\$726.06	4.98%
Fellowship	\$1,350.00	\$108.34	15.05%
Discipleship	\$720.00	-\$622.84	-46.14%
Property	\$128,400.00	\$41,606.68	32.40%
Mission & Outreach	\$84,983.96	\$18,785.37	22.10%
Stewardship	\$630.00	\$0.00	0.00%
Worship	\$16,950.69	\$3,577.92	21.11%
TOTAL	\$849,839.57	\$244,877.89	28.81%

Last Year's Numbers At This Time	Percentage
\$176,620.29	29.47%
\$14,480.27	30.89%
\$13.64	9.00%
\$775.64	57.45%
\$145.83	20.25%
\$44,487.57	36.05%
\$18,489.19	20.69%
\$0.00	0.00%
\$4,679.16	26.94%
\$259,691.59	29.06%



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