

TOWER *Chimes*

Broadway United Methodist Church

April 2009

Keep tellin' the Story...

Joining the Easter River

"Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God."

Revelation 22.1

Sunday at worship, the congregation stretched out across the sanctuary like a flowing, beautiful river -- the river of the water of life. I saw not only those gathered here in the sanctuary, but also those who have gone before. Sunday, we called many of their names -- Leila Chernish, Alta Brubaker, Bill McKinney, Jean Horth, Clarissa Parks, and more...

We are preparing for our Easter celebrations. And yet we remember that the first Easter was tentative, scary, and full of uncertainties. The Gospel of Mark reminds us that the first witnesses to the empty tomb ran away from there in terror and amazement. But there is some distance from that first Easter now.

What is happening in this country has many of us off balance. People have lost jobs, are worried about whether they can hold on to their jobs and/or their pensions, and are uncertain about the future. In some ways, it reminds me of that first Easter.

I recently read in the New York Times the following: "Elie Wiesel, the Holocaust survivor, writer, and



charitable benefactor, lost \$37 million of his foundation and personal wealth in Bernie Madoff's Ponzi scheme. 'We gave him everything,' Wiesel told the audience. 'We thought he was God.'"

I suppose that we have all, at one time or another, put our trust in something (or someone) that we thought was God and then we have been disappointed (and worse).

We have been meeting this week planning for this coming summer's activities around Broadway. We have been talking about the river of life that runs through the lives of our neighbors and how we can join ourselves to the power and presence of the Holy Spirit that is flowing through each of our lives. We are not

thinking about how to involve people in what we want to do, but to join what God is doing in the river of life that flows from the throne. Amazing things are coming.

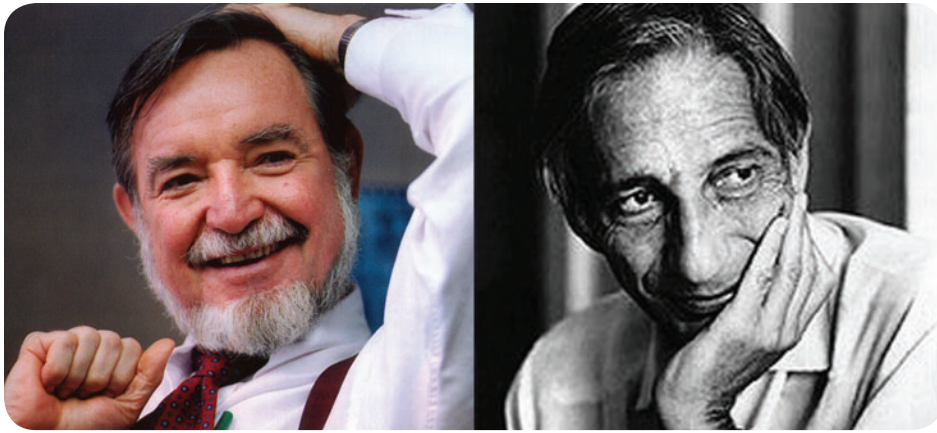
So, in the lives of those gathered for worship on Sunday morning -- and in the lives of our neighbors -- I see God's river of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God. I want to join in that river -- to bathe in the joy of Easter, the celebration that comes from seeing and trusting God's presence in our lives. Come and join the celebration.

Keep tellin' the Story,

Rev. Mike Mather

An Evening with John McKnight and Ivan Illich: A Posthumous Conversation to End Helping

Monday, April 6th in Broadway's Sanctuary



MORE ABOUT JOHN McKNIGHT AND IVAN ILLICH:

John L. McKnight is professor of Communication Studies and co-director of the Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD) Institute at the Institute for Policy Research (IPR), Northwestern University.

McKnight is internationally recognized for his critique of the ways in which social service and other organizations “problemize” people. In his view, seeing “needs” instead of “capacities” and “assets” cripples not only those supposedly being helped, but their communities as well. He saw that by focusing on meeting needs and deficiencies, these organizations were seeing the glass as being half empty—instead of half full. But by shifting their paradigm from needs-based to asset-based, communities and organizations could maximize their “human resources.” To aid communities and organizations in this transition, he co-founded the Asset-Based Community Development Institute with John Kretzmann in

1995 under the aegis of IPR. Through the ABCD Institute, he has advised communities in both the U.S. and other countries including Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, and the Netherlands. His work in this area has had enormous influence on how epilepsy is treated, how foundations such as the United Way distribute their funding and view their “clients,” and how the developmentally disabled can be reintegrated into mainstream society. Above all else, John is a master storyteller.

Ivan Illich (1926-2002) was born in Vienna in 1926. He was forced to leave school in 1941 under Nazi race laws because of his mother's Jewish origins. He went to Italy where he studied in Florence and later was a student of philosophy and theology at the Gregorian University in Rome. He later returned to Austria where he obtained a PhD in history at the University of Salzburg.

He first came to the United States in 1951, working as a parish priest and championing the cause of Puerto Rican immigrants in New York City. Later he was appointed the deputy rector of the Catholic University of Puerto Rico where he began his work developing an intensive and culturally grounded training program

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Monday - April 6th, 2009
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Reception to follow

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for American priests whose ministry allowed them to work among Latinos. Ivan Illich became increasingly frustrated with the bureaucracy of the church and left the priesthood in 1969. He went on to co-found the Center for Intercultural Documentation (CIDOC) in Cuernavaca, Mexico -- a training research center which also served as a think-tank for innovative educators world-wide. It was there that he wrote his ground-breaking critique of the educational system, *Deschooling Society* (1971), arguing that school made people dumb.

Among the many educators who joined Illich at Cuernavaca were John Holt and Everett Reimer, who organized home schooling in the U.S., and John Ohliger, who organized adult educators against mandatory education globally and has continued to influence the emerging field of adult education.

Since the 1980s, Illich divided his time between Mexico, the United States, and Germany where he taught at the University of Bremen. Ivan Illich died on December 2nd, 2002, in the northern German city of Bremen where he had lectured in sociology for the past decade.

~ Marc McAleavey

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Special Music at 10:45 a.m. Worship on Sunday, April 26th!

Roncalli High School's advanced mixed chorus, under the direction of Trevor Fanning (a member of Broadway's Chancel Choir) will join the congregation for worship on Sunday April 26th and will offer an anthem at the 10:45 a.m. service. Rebel Rhapsody is comprised of thirty-eight singers who perform a wide variety of music in various venues throughout the year. From choral concerts, invitationals, and ISSMA ensemble events to show choir competitions, the choir has performed in some of the most beautiful churches and concert halls in the City of Indianapolis and throughout Indiana. They are excited to be coming to Broadway this month and sharing their love of music and singing with the people of Broadway Church.

~ Chris Schroeder, Minister of Music



Don't Miss Broadway's Day Camp!

Broadway's Day Camp is scheduled for the week of June 8th to June 12th at Marott Park. Registration forms are available in the Broadway Church office; the deadline for registration is Monday, June 1st, and the cost is \$15.00 per child. Day Camp is open to children in Kindergarten through 6th Grade. This is a week full of fun, new friendships, crafts, and learning about God's world. We hope you can save this date!



For more information, please contact Joanne Solomon at (317) 257-4737.

Coming Soon...Bread for the World's 2009 Offering of Letters - Sunday, April 26th

There is a simple way to help bring food to a hungry baby, starving child, or destitute parent. There is no money involved. All it takes is a few minutes to write a letter to one or all three of your Congress people to urge them to pass good legislation for foreign aid. Your letter could help save many, many lives.

As followers of Jesus, we can see that this is humanitarian, but it makes good financial sense, also. Healthy people around the world contribute to the well-being of all of us and to our safety, as well.

On April 26th, we will all write letters together. Tables will be set up having on them paper, envelopes, stamps, and sample letters. They will be available after both services and in Sunday School classes. Plan to give those few minutes to do something about the poor economy everywhere.

We hope for 100% participation!

~ Amy Carlile, Eric Espinoza, Joe McIntosh, Margaret Pengilly, and Chris Whitsel

Holy Week at Broadway Church

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 5th

8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.



We reenact Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The Children & Youth Choir joins the Chancel Choir or the anthem *Hosanna!* Kevin Neel will present Louis Vierne's *Final* from *Symphony No. 1* for organ.

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

Friday, April 10th

6:00 p.m. - Chapel



The traditional service of Tenebrae (a Latin word meaning shadows) includes the reading of the passion narrative accompanied by the gradual extinguishing of candles. Broadway's Chancel Choir sings *Ave Verum* by Gabriel Faure and *Go to Dark Gethsemane* by T. Tertius Noble.

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 12th

8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.



We celebrate the Risen Christ with Christians throughout the world in the midst of the aroma of Easter lilies and the Lily cross that adorn our worship space. Our Easter celebration begins with *Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals* by Sigfrid Karg-Elert for brass quartet, organ and percussion. The Chancel Choir will present the anthems: *Alleluia, Christ is Risen* by Gordon Young; *Hallelujah Chorus* from *Messiah* by G.F. Handel; and *Light's Glittering Dawn* by Horatio Parker. Our worship includes a new Easter poem written by Mari Evans.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 9th

6:00 p.m.



Recalling the last night Jesus spent with his followers and modeling our worship on that encounter, we begin our journey with hand and feet washing, travel to Broadway's parlor for a meal, follow Jesus' steps through Gethsemane in the Garth, and conclude with the stripping of the altar in the sanctuary. The Chancel Choir will sing *Bread of the World* by Stephen Paulus for the blessing before the meal.

Easter Vigil

Saturday, April 11th

7:00 p.m. - Chapel



The Easter Vigil is a collaboration with North United Methodist Church. The vigil includes a service of light in which we bring the light of Christ to the community and to the church; a service of God's word accompanied by prayers and musical responses; the remembrance of our Baptism and the service of Holy Communion. Broadway's Quartet will lead the singing during this Easter Vigil service.



"Alleluia, Christ is Risen!"

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Mission and Advocacy Summit

I was privileged to attend the Mission and Advocacy Summit at the Ritz Charles, March 4th, to hear Bishop Michael Coyner, Sam Dixon, Cindy Reynolds, and Jim Bushfield, Indiana Conference's Director of Connectional Ministries, speak of our United Methodist missions throughout the world. Rev. Sam Dixon, Deputy General Secretary of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), was the keynote speaker. He spoke glowingly of the former army officer of the USSR who now spearheads the Methodist Church in Europe and Asia, a man of tremendous energy and dedication. Here are a smattering of the numbers Rev. Dixon shared. Forty percent of our missionaries are local people who grew up in the countries in which they serve. We have 121 indigenous pastors. One hundred sixty congregations/churches have been established in Laos in recent years. On the downside, he shared such statistics as these: 72 children of primary age are not in school, and 30,000 children die each day because of issues related to poverty. The UN says the number one thing that will help alleviate poverty is to teach children to read and write. We were reminded that John Wesley led the early Methodists to take up the cause of the poor.

Bishop Coyner surprised us with four principles; (1) the world is "flat" (information is available to all in this information age); (2) the Genie is out of the bottle (mission should involve folks at every level, and mission should evolve from the ground up, not the top down); (3) networking is the name of the game (we work with each other to accomplish our missions); (4) mission IS our main thing; when we get involved in mission, we are better disciples. The Bishop asked, "How are we going to make missions better in the new conference, so that we can make disciples and save the world?"

Cindy Reynolds heads the Transition Committee. She said we are called to make a difference. We are to answer the call, to say, "Here I am, send me," to reach out to my neighbor, to my cluster, to my groups of churches. Online nominate yourself for a place in the new conference -- a conference with 1,200 congregations in Indiana.

Jim Bushfield, for the former South Indiana Conference, fielded questions about the transition and the new Indiana Conference.

~ Phyllis Newton

Letters to Missionaries in the Field

A missionary on leave spoke out with exasperation during the Mission Summit question/answer session. He said, "Write letters of encouragement to our missionaries!" While he served abroad, he said he received no letters from people in Indiana. On their birthdays, he proposed, missionaries should receive 200 or more cards and letters; otherwise, they feel forgotten and alone in the field. I was so thankful for our United Methodist Women! The previous Saturday, each of us who attended the Day of Prayer and Self-Denial wrote to a missionary. Margaret Pengilly provided the paper and sent the letters to those who wrote to home missionaries. My letter went to Mozart Adevu in Ghana, Africa. I sincerely hope United Methodist Women across the country will send an additional 199 to Mr. Adevu -- and that the postal service in Ghana will deliver. Anyone who wishes to write a missionary will find the *2009 Prayer Calendar* (on the UMW bookshelf), which has the names and addresses of our missionaries in the back (under Mission Personnel). Please send a card and a "thank you" and leave the *Prayer Calendar* book in the library for others.

~ Phyllis Newton

SAVE THE DATE!

UMW Spring Luncheon

The UMW Spring Luncheon will be held on Sunday, May 3rd after the 10:45 a.m. worship service. The program will highlight the talents of people connected to Broadway Church. Please save the date to enjoy a wonderful meal and program! Tickets will be available for purchase, and more information will follow. Hope to see you there!

~ Joanne Solomon

Reflection on New Connections' Discussion of Views on Dying

On Sunday, March 1st, Jeffery Perkins, an assistant to Rev. Mather and a mortician, led the New Connections class in a conversation about burial services and how people react to death. As a starter, Jeffery talked about the recent death of his cat. He had a small box he had made and pictures of animals sitting around the coffin that held his cat.

Terry Downey also worked at a mortuary and shared his ideas about how people reacted to various types of services. David Wines told about his brother's burial, and he felt things worked out well for him and his family.

One lady member knew all the people she worked with at a nursing home. All were in their last few years of life. Not enough people listened to the stories of the dying people's lives or held out a healing hand for their spirit.

Many agreed more people need to talk about death and burial services. It helps those who are going to plan the services do a better a job.

~ Bev Swope

Is Electronic Giving Right for You?

Broadway Church now offers electronic giving for those who would like to use this option. Electronic funds transfer (EFT) allows your weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly contributions for the General Budget to be transferred from your checking or savings account directly to the church account. If you are away for a period of time, or cannot attend church on a particular Sunday, your pledge will continue to be received and consistently contribute to the work of Broadway, giving the Church a more predictable income throughout the year. A simple, easy to use authorization form is available at the church office, or you may sign up via the Broadway website by clicking on "Donations." If you have questions, please contact Mary Kondrath in the church office at (317) 924-4207 or mkondrath@broadwayumc.org.

Church Finance Update as of February 28th, 2009

The table below reflects budgeted and actual income and expenses as of February 28th, 2009.

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL
INCOME	\$53,784.48	\$64,856.13
EXPENSE	\$81,146.30	\$95,343.42
DEFICIT	(\$27,361.82)	(\$30,487.29)
	PROJECTED	ACTUAL

Broadway is generous...the past two months have seen an increase in regular giving of \$11,000 over what we projected in income, and at the same time, we have raised over \$275,000 towards the Miracle on 29th Street; all during a tough economy!

For additional information, please contact Treasurer Mike Nix (michaelpnix@aol.com) or Finance Chair Roger Sell (sellroger@hotmail.com).

Reminders

First Fridays

First Fridays will meet on Friday, April 3rd at Just Judy's, located at 2210 East 54th Street. See you there!

Contribute to the Tower Chimes

The deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month for the following month's newsletter. **Items received after the 15th will be held until the next month's newsletter.** Please contact Karen McAleavey at kmcaleavey@broadwayumc.org or (317) 924-4207 for more details or to submit information.



A Special Thanks Goes To...

Dear Broadway Friends, Thanks and more thanks for your flowers, cards, and for remembering my birthday. Michael (Rapid City, South Dakota) and Jerry (Jacksonville, Florida) were here for four days to help me celebrate the BIG 90. We had a great time. Thanks again, and God bless all of you.

~ Dee Brubaker

Thanks for a good day! Heartfelt thanks to Margaret Pengilly for an uplifting Day of Prayer and Self-Denial, and thanks, too, for the home cooked Chicken and Rice Soup. It was too delicious to be called Self-Denial Soup. Thanks, also, to all who attended and gave so sacrificially and to all who wrote letters and notes to our missionaries in the field. We appreciate you!

~ Phyllis Newton

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks, to Pat Pearson for cooking the delicious meals she prepares!

~ Phyllis Newton

A Mile of Thanks! Duane Carlisle announced that our children have received a MILE OF PENNIES and MORE for *Nothing But Nets*, to purchase Malaria nets to protect children in Africa. Heartfelt thanks to all who contributed pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, and dollars to this great cause. A group hug and thanks to Joanne Solomon and Eileen Dunham who counted and wrapped the pennies. And special thanks to the Searchers' Class who plan to add enough money to the "kitty" to bring the total to ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS. We are very close to that amount at this writing. We are calling it a miracle!

~ Phyllis Newton & Todd Pickard

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April Events

The following events are scheduled to take place at the same time each week at Broadway:



SUNDAYS

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service, Chapel
9:00 a.m. Higher Grounds Coffee Shop, Library
9:30 a.m. Youth Group (Grades 6-12), Wesley Room
Adult Sunday School Classes, Room 101, 103 and 104
Korean Bible Study, Room B-1
9:35 a.m. New Connections Adult Sunday School Class, Room 103
10:45 a.m. English Language Worship Service, Sanctuary
Korean Language Worship Service, Chapel
11:30 a.m. Macedonia Church Sunday School, Room 101
12:00 p.m. Children & Youth Choir Rehearsal, Beck Hall
1:00 p.m. Macedonia Church Worship Service, Chapel

MONDAYS

- 9:30 a.m. Asian Help Services, Room 101 and 104

TUESDAYS

- 9:15 a.m. Parents & Families Discussion Group, Nursery
6:00 p.m. Indy Pride Band Rehearsal, Beck Hall
Capoeira, Activities Area
Open Art Studio, Room 302
Hope in the Hood, Room 101

WEDNESDAYS

- 9:15 a.m. Staff Yoga, Community Room
9:30 a.m. Asian Help Services, Room 101 and 104
4:30 p.m. Program Staff, Conference Room
5:00 p.m. Worship Planning, Conference Room
6:00 p.m. Hatha Yoga, Room 312
Macedonia Church Worship Service, Chapel
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, Wesley Room

THURSDAYS

- 6:00 p.m. Latino Domestic Violence Group, Library & Room 201
Capoeira, Activities Area
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir, Room 206
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Beck Hall

FRIDAYS

- 9:30 a.m. Asian Help Services, Room 101 and 104
11:00 a.m. Spiritual Studies, Conference Room*
*(10:00 a.m. 1st Friday of the month);
Spiritual Studies will not meet on Friday, March 6th

NOTE: The Church Office will close at 12:00 noon on Good Friday (April 10th) and will be closed all day on Monday, April 13th for Easter.

The following meetings/events are also scheduled during the month of April:

- 1st: *Committee on Lay Leadership*
6:00 p.m., Room 103
5th: *Ragtime Society Concert*
2:00 p.m., Parlor
6th: *An Evening with John McKnight and Ivan Illich*
6:30 p.m., Sanctuary
An Evening With...Reception
8:00 p.m., Community Room
9th: *Shepherd Center Investors Club*
9:00 a.m., Room 101
Maundy Thursday Worship Svc.
6:00 p.m., Chapel
10th: *Tenebrae Service*
6:00 p.m., Sanctuary
11th: *Easter Vigil*
7:00 p.m., Chapel
12th: *BPAS Board Meeting*
12:00 p.m., Community Room
14th: *Finance Committee Meeting*
6:00 p.m., Conference Room
15th: *Property Committee Meeting*
5:00 p.m., Room 104
Board of Directors Meeting
6:00 p.m., Conference Room
17th: *Coffee House Underground*
7:00 p.m., Wesley Room
19th: *UMW Board Meeting*
8:30 a.m., Conference Room
22st: *Organ Tour and Demo*
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary
25th: *Reception*
1:00 p.m., Community Room
26th: *Bread for the World*
Offering of Letters
After each Worship Service and
During Sunday School Classes

As followers of Jesus Christ, responding to God's love, our mission as the people of Broadway Church is to be a multicultural, Christian community that in its ministry seeks, welcomes and values all people.

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English Language Service - 8:30 a.m., Chapel; 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary
Korean Language Service - 10:45 a.m., Chapel
Children's Worship - 10:45 a.m., after Children's Sermon
Adult Sunday School - 9:30 a.m., Broadway Workers - Rm 101;
Searchers Class - Rm 104; Korean Bible Study - Rm B-2;
New Connections - Rm 103 (9:35 a.m.)
Youth/Children Sunday School - 9:30 a.m., Nursery - Rm 203;
Age Five - 5th Grade - Rm 202 at 9:30 a.m.
6th Grade - 12th Grade - Dome Room

Sunday Worship Schedule at Broadway UMC

Broadway's Staff

Pastoral: Mike Mather, Rachel Metheny, Suhyoung Baik, Jill Issleb, and San Jin Yang

Program: Duane Carlisle, Children/Youth Minister
De'Amon Harges, Roving Listener
Chris Schroeder, Minister of Music/Organist
Kevin Neel, Assistant Organist
Mark Kesling, Director of Generosity and Abundance

Office: Mary Kondrath, Business Administrator
Karen McAleavey, Administrative Assistant
Jeffery Perkins, Administrative Assistant

Maintenance/Housekeeping Staff:
Tom Weesner, Facility Manager
Randy Ficklin and Cathy Pilarski

Ministry of Light and Sound: Jim Fore

Security: Jim Martin and Eugene Smith

IU-MSW Students: Dani Fluhr, Sarah Gordon, and Josh Kupke

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