

# TOWER *Chimes*

*Broadway United Methodist Church*

*February 2010*

## *Keep tellin' the Story...*

### *What Are You Growing?*

*Usually Christians ask each other at Lent, "What are you giving up?" And in the wake of what has happened in Haiti, perhaps the better question would be, "What are you giving?" But I would like to suggest a different question: "What are you growing?"*

Gardeners will begin to prepare the soil for their gardens as we move through Lent. Not me. I can't keep a plant alive. But many will.

Jesus often used agriculture stories. He talked about a sower sowing seeds. He talked about wheat and weeds growing up together. He talked about a treasure buried in a field. He talked about how flowers neither toil nor spin. He talked about a tiny mustard seed and a bush in which birds made their home. He talked about trees that did not bear fruit. His mind showed that he was attuned to the natural world. He was trying to get us to pay attention to the world around us -- because he saw it as a place that revealed God's grace, forgiveness, and love.

So, as we prepare to enter Lent this February, I encourage you to think less about what you are giving up and more about what you are trying to grow and what you see growing in your life, in the lives of others around you, and in the life of the world.

What are you growing? If the answer is nothing, then Lent can be a time for you



to think about what it is that you can grow. So much is written these days about healthy eating. I heard Michael Pollan, a well known author on this subject, encourage us to "eat food, not food related products." This seems like a good idea for a healthy diet. But it also seems good in other areas of life. We could try in Lent to practice real forgiveness, not something that passes itself off as forgiveness. We could try to practice real justice, not something that passes itself off as justice.

It's often what I think of when I think of all the power we have given away -- not only as institutions, but as individuals.

In these hard economic times, I often hear congregations that I talk with around the country speak about volunteering at homeless shelters or offering shelter in their church buildings. That is a good thing, but Isaiah said, "take the homeless poor

into your home." Homeless shelters seem like a poor substitute for a real home. It seems more like a "home related product."

Let's grow the real thing: real justice, real peace, real love, real forgiveness. Too often, we say we have forgiven -- but what we've really done is simply stopped talking about the hurt, anger and pain we have. That's no substitute for the hard work of real forgiveness.

What are you growing this Lent?

Keep tellin' the Story,

Rev. Mike Mather

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# Broadway Birthday Dinner

CELEBRATE YOUR SPECIAL DAY AT THE BROADWAY BIRTHDAY DINNER



February 14th is not only Valentines' Day, it will also be the day of the Broadway Birthday Dinner! Come celebrate YOUR birthday and dine at a table with others who share the same birthday month. The Birthday Celebration will be held in the Community Room after the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Get your tickets from Joanne Solomon, Ellie Gramer, or Phyllis Newton, and join us for a festive celebration. Be sure to tell your ticket seller your birthday month. Come prepared to enjoy a delicious meal and a variety of fabulous birthday cakes. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

~ Phyllis Newton

## Verily

Sometimes when I do what I know I shouldn't do  
Then I look at my heart and I know it wasn't true  
It's like I'm spinning around tryna see  
What I can't, another merry go round of the things that I hate  
But when I'm aware, keep my eyes open wide  
Inside a personal scar in my soul I try to hide  
Was breaking me down but no more shall I die  
No more ducking my head, hands high on this ride.  
It's more a feeling of good spiritually in the game.  
Some like a personal best  
Critically I'm acclaimed.  
You are who you are  
Where I am is where you'll be,  
this is straight from the heart technically  
Verily.

~ Eric Sarver

## Lenten Bible Study

Join us for a Bible Study at Henry's for Lent! We will meet on Wednesdays -- February 24th, March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th -- during Lent. Plan to gather from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. for dinner, coffee, or dessert and conversation.

Bring your questions and your Bible!

Henry's Coffee Bistro is located at 627 N. East Street in Indianapolis.

See you there!

~ Rachel Metheny

## Broadway Welcomes Dr. Phil Amerson



Mark your calendars! Dr. Philip A. Amerson, President of Garret-Evangelical Seminary at Northwestern University and Professor of

Sociology of Religion, will join us at Broadway on Sunday, March 7th to preach and to allow us to celebrate his ministry here at Broadway back in the late 1980's and early 1990's. Dr. Amerson served as Senior Pastor of Broadway United Methodist Church from 1986 to 1992.

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# UMW News...

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO MAREIA STRADER!**

Mareia Strader, a Broadway member a decade ago, began her work as Program Coordinator for Lucille Raines Residence on December 1st, 2009. As Program Coordinator, she will interview persons seeking to become residents, assist new residents, in developing plans and setting goals for his or her recovery program, and support them in continuing their recovery from addiction.

First, Mareia was a resident, then a desk staff person. Mareia compassionately cares for the residents. Often, she is available for the Talk Tours and Lunch (TTL); she may serve the luncheon, share her story, or take folks on the tour. We are extremely proud of Mareia and truly grateful to her for her success.

Lucille Raines Residence is owned and operated by the United Methodist Women of the Indiana Conference. Broadway's UMW, like most of the organized units in our Indiana churches, pay \$10 per member to help keep Raines going, yearly. Raines has evolved from a home for deaconesses (Esther Hall) to a residence for young women coming to the city from rural areas to work, to a residential facility for rehabilitation. Two years ago, Raines celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary as a place to live while one is in rehab from addiction. Go Mareia!

~ Phyllis Newton

## **PROPERTY MAKES MISSION POSSIBLE! JOIN US FOR A DAY OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL**

So what does your home look like? Bring a picture of the place where you live or an inside photo, if you prefer, as we talk about property that makes mission possible and the missionaries that populate those properties. Maybe your photo will be a winterscape of your home, or perhaps just a rocker in front of the fireplace, or a view of a quilt wall hanging. Is your grandchild in the picture? Or your mom?

United Methodist Women (and perhaps a few men) will gather Saturday, February 27th at 9:30 a.m. until noon in the Church Parlor for Broadway's Day of Prayer and Self-Denial to hold up our missionaries and our missions in prayer. In this way, we actually learn what our world-wide family is doing in mission and their needs. Denying ourselves a bit, we give to these ministries. This year, we will each send a card, a note, or a letter to someone in the mission field, using the *Prayer Calendar*. Some of us will choose that person because we share the same birthday; other may choose a missionary because of what she does or the place he or she serves. That missionary may be a deaconess who serves in Indianapolis or a mission couple who serve in Senegal, Cambodia, or Mongolia. Wherever they serve, they have needs to feel connected with us. And wherever they are, they serve in a property -- a place of worship, a school, a clinic, a hospital.

Come join us as we create connections with those sisters and brothers in Christ who have been called to serve in the mission field. If you have questions, please call Margaret Pengilly.

~ Phyllis Newton

## **THREE CHEERS FOR OUR COOKS!**

When Broadway has the Christmas Store, the Cookie Walk, and the Metro Ministries Celebration all within the space of the same forty-eight hours, followed by a memorial luncheon, the UMW is hard pressed to have the "cook-serve-and-clean-up-power" to cover it all. Yet, because of the dedication of many, we were able to do all of these things with "flying colors!" We are especially grateful to Ann Chernish, Lorraine Chisler, Beth Christie, Eileen Dunham, Ellie Gramer, Lee Hartsock, Charles Hewett, Stephie Isbell, Anne Loomis, Carol Sue McCracken, Pat Pearson, Marnie Pengilly, Barbara Sell, Joanne and Gerry Solomon, and David Wines.

## **LUCILE TOWLE FUNDS DIVERSE MISSIONS**

Lucile Towle was a small, quiet woman with a big heart and a passion for mission. Years ago, she left a bequest for the Woman's Society of Christian Service to administer (W.S.C.S. was the predecessor of the United Methodist Women). Lucile specified that the money was to be used for mission in foreign lands. Eileen Dunham researched missions this year, and the UMW Executive Committee, following Eileen's suggestions, voted to send these stated amounts to the following missions: \$500 to Operation Classroom, Sierra Leone; \$500 to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR); \$500 for tsunami relief in the Philippine Islands; \$500 for Kissy Clinic (dry milk for babies and toddlers); and \$500 for the Senegal Initiative (prison ministry where Karen Ujereh, our Thank Offering Sunday speaker, was in mission).

~ Phyllis Newton

## Special Thanks Go To...

*I thank God and the church* for the greetings and for the love and concern for my birthday. Broadway, I love you!

~ Frances Neighbors

**Thanks to cookie bakers and cookie buyers!** Heartfelt thanks to all who baked the hundreds of dozens of delicious cookies for the UMW Cookie Walk! How grateful we are to you! Your good works support the missions and missionaries of the Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries here at home and around the world. This year the needs are even greater. We appreciate you.

~ Phyllis Newton

**Heartfelt thanks** to those who cooked and served the fantastic finger food for the Metro Ministries Annual Celebration here at Broadway, December 13th. All proceeds will go to the education work here at Broadway, to support such things as our Summer Day Camp at Marrott Park and Sunday School for children and youth.

~ Phyllis Newton

### **INTERESTED IN DONATING ALTAR FLOWERS?**

If you are interested in donating altar flowers in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one during the months of February, March, April or May, please contact Joanne Solomon at (317) 257-4737 or [jsjsolo@aol.com](mailto:jsjsolo@aol.com).

## Church Finance Update as of December 31st, 2009

The table below reflects budgeted and actual income and expenses as of December 31st, 2009. We ended the year with a deficit of \$32,490.31. Income was down \$32,174.00 from what was projected.

	BUDGETED	ACTUAL
INCOME	\$514,364.00	\$482,190.00
EXPENSE	\$514,364.00	\$514,680.31
DEFICIT	\$0.00 PROJECTED	(\$32,490.31) ACTUAL

For additional information, please contact Treasurer Mike Nix ([michaelpnix@aol.com](mailto:michaelpnix@aol.com)).

## Consider a Switch to Electronic Giving!

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](mailto:mkondrath@broadwayumc.org).

## Reminders

### **FIRST FRIDAYS**

First Fridays will meet on February 5th at George's Neighborhood Grill (6935 Lake Plaza Drive). This is a great opportunity to catch up with friends, meet new folks, and enjoy good food. Hope to 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 15<sup>TH</sup> OF THE MONTH WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER WITHOUT EXCEPTION!** Please contact Karen McAlevey at [kmcaleavey@broadwayumc.org](mailto:kmcaleavey@broadwayumc.org) or (317) 924-4207 for more details or to submit information.

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# CALMLY PLOTTING THE RESURRECTION



Join us at Broadway United Methodist Church as we calmly plot the resurrection...journeying from Lent to Easter. Take the journey with us from Ash Wednesday through Easter Morning!

Broadway United Methodist Church continues to imagine the endless possibilities of worship. Come be a part of our journey as we explore the ways in which music, art, and technology play vital roles in our worship experience!

## Ash Wednesday

February 17th

Worship Service - 6:00 p.m., Chapel

Youth Worship Service - 7:00 p.m., Wesley Room

## Season of Lent

Sundays, February 21st - March 21st

8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services

## Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 28th

8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services

## Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 1st - 6:00 p.m., Chapel

## Good Friday

Friday, April 2nd - 6:00 p.m., Chapel

## Easter Vigil

Saturday, April 3rd - 7:00 p.m., Chapel

## Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 4th

8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 10:45 a.m. Worship Services

# February 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. Celebration Service, Wesley Room  
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  
1:00 p.m. Macedonia Church Worship Service, Chapel

## MONDAYS

No Regularly Scheduled Events

## TUESDAYS

- 9:30 a.m. Cue-to-Cue Worship Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. Worship Planning, Wesley Room

## WEDNESDAYS

- 10:00 a.m. Broadway Staff Meeting, Community Room  
11:15 a.m. Staff Yoga, Room 312  
6:00 p.m. Stress-Reduction Yoga, Room 312  
Macedonia Church Worship Service, Chapel  
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal, Beck Hall  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, Wesley Room  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Beck Hall  
8:00 p.m. Hope in the Hood, Room 103

## THURSDAYS

No Regularly Scheduled Events

## FRIDAYS

- 11:00 a.m. Spiritual Studies, Conference Room\*  
\*(10:00 a.m. 1st Friday of the month)

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

- 3rd: *Committee on Lay Leadership*  
6:00 p.m., Fishes & Loaves Rm.  
6th: *Gary Leinbach Memorial Service*  
11:00 a.m., Sanctuary  
7th: *Ragtime Society Concert*  
2:00 p.m., Parlor  
10th: *Property Committee Meeting*  
5:30 p.m., Room 104  
*Finance Committee Meeting*  
6:00 p.m., Conference Room  
*Staff Parish Meeting*  
7:00 p.m., Conference Room  
11th: *Shepherd Center Investors Club*  
9:00 a.m., Room 101  
13th: *Birthday Party*  
12:00 p.m., Community Room  
14th: *UMW Board Meeting*  
8:30 a.m., Conference Room  
*UMW Birthday Dinner*  
12:00 p.m., Community Room  
16th: *Prayer Chain Meeting*  
9:00 a.m., Conference Room  
17th: *Board of Directors Meeting*  
7:00 p.m., Conference Room  
*Ash Wednesday Service*  
6:00 p.m., Chapel  
*Ash Wednesday Youth Service*  
7:00 p.m., Wesley Room  
19th: *Broadway Presents:*  
*Choirs of Butler & Broadway*  
7:00 p.m., Sanctuary  
*Broadway Presents Reception*  
8:00 p.m., Community Room  
20th: *Baby Shower*  
2:00 p.m., Community Room  
21st: *Broadway Presents Luncheon*  
12:00 p.m., Community Room  
*Broadway Presents: Journey from Lent to Easter - A Concert of Organ & Song*  
1:00 p.m., Sanctuary  
27th: *UMW Day of Prayer & Self Denial*  
9:30 a.m., Parlor



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# Broadway Presents Artist Series

**Broadway Presents Artist Series** provides a variety of events and musical concerts throughout the year. All concerts are free and open to the public.

## **Choirs of Butler and Broadway February 19th, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.**

The choirs of Butler University join their voices with Broadway's Chancel Choir to present a choral music concert. Hear fine choral music for double choirs in the magnificent sanctuary of Broadway Church.

## **Journey from Lent to Easter: A Concert of Organ and Song February 21st, 2010 - 1:00 p.m.**

Experience the liturgical seasons of Lent and Easter as Chris Schroeder presents classical organ music and accompanies congregational singing! Visual artists will present their works based on the concert music. Preceding the concert, join us at noon in the Community Room for a luncheon provided by the Chancel Choir.

## **Spring at Broadway April 25th, 2010 - 3:00 p.m.**

Hear the combined choirs of Broadway Church and Anderson's Central Christian Church in the choral presentation of *Songs of Faith* by Paul Basler, a multi-movement work that explores and celebrates the American Spirit. This work includes a setting of *Be Thou My Vision* surrounded by two Psalms (150 and 23) and two Latin texts (*Ubi Caritas* and *Alleluia*).

## **An Independence Day Celebration July 2010**

Come celebrate America's independence with the singing of patriotic songs. Concert music presented by choir, brass, and organ.

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*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.*



**Broadway's Staff**

*Pastoral:* Mike Mather, Rachel Metheny, Suhyoung Baik, MyoHee Cho, and Stacey Smith

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*English Language Service - 8:30 a.m., Chapel; 10:45 a.m., Sanctuary  
Celebration Service (Contemporary) - 9:30 a.m., Wesley Room  
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 - Wesley Room*

**Sunday Worship Schedule at Broadway UMC**

*welcomes and values ALL people*

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