

TOWER *Chimes*

Broadway United Methodist Church

March 2010

Keep tellin' the Story...

John McKnight said that a friend once told him that a prophet is someone who has everything backwards.

When I was a kid, I remember having backwards races with my brothers and others in the neighborhood. We would have "opposite days" when everything we said was the opposite of what we meant. Perhaps approaching Lent as a time of going backwards is the right spirit.

Jesus seems to be urging his followers (and others) to reverse the way we see things. Jesus eats with tax collectors and sinners -- shouldn't he be eating with the good religious folks? Jesus heals someone on the Sabbath (in the synagogue even!) in opposition to the ways in which the rules were laid out.

What are the ways in which we lay out the rules that we could use to move backwards from. In the beatitudes, Jesus says it is the poor who will inherit the realm of God. He says the hungry would be satisfied. He said those who weep will be those who laugh.

One of the biggest reversals Jesus pulled was when he said that "whoever would be the greatest among you must be the servant of all." And then later said, "no longer do I call you servants but friends." (In the spirit of this Winter Olympics, I would like to call this the very difficult double reversal!)



One of the many things I celebrate about our life together around Broadway is the way in which we celebrate the backwardness of Jesus. We spend our time watching for where the blind see, the deaf hear, and the lame leap for joy. Don't those sound backwards?

I've been hearing about ways in which that happens in the world outside our walls, as well. One of the more interesting stories I've heard lately is about the school systems that are having excellent results by requiring their teachers to visit their students in their homes. The results have been in the form of better school scores and more involvement from others in the students' homes with the school. When we do things outside of our doors that we usually do inside of our doors, and vice-versa, the whole world turns upside-down!

Backwards Lent

During Lent, what might you do that shows the backwardness of the Gospel? What do you usually do inside that you could do outside? What do you do outside that you could do inside?

I have an invitation (for Holy Week) in that regard. On Good Friday, we worship by taking a Stations of the Cross Walk through our neighborhood leaving Broadway at 10 o'clock and arriving at North United Methodist Church by 12 noon. We will stop along the way and pray at places of hope and places of sadness. It's a good way to get ready for the ultimate backwards movement from Good Friday to Easter.

Keep tellin' the Story,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Mather".

Rev. Mike Mather



Broadway Welcomes Dr. Philip Amerson

FORMER PASTOR TO PREACH AT BROADWAY MARCH 7th, 2010



From January 1st, 1986 to January 1st, 1992, Dr. Philip Amerson was the senior pastor at Broadway United Methodist Church. His laughter, generosity of spirit, and innovative and passionate commitment to ministry in the city were a perfect combination for Broadway and its rich history. Dr. Amerson presided at Broadway as we built on our historic openness and expanded it for a new generation. The Mission Statement that we recommit ourselves to each week in worship was crafted during those years. Today, Dr. Amerson serves Christian ministry in another capacity as the President of Garrett-Evangelical Theological School at Northwestern University.

On Sunday, March 7th, we will celebrate Dr. Amerson's ministry at Broadway and around the globe. Dr. Amerson will preach, and we will take up a special offering to support the creation of a scholarship in the name of Dr. Philip and Dr. Elaine Amerson for students who will attend Garrett and be shaped by the extraordinary example and faithfulness of their witness to the Good News of the Gospel for ALL people. Please join us not only in worship that day but for a celebration light lunch and special entertainment following the 10:45 a.m. worship service. You will have a chance to visit with Dr. Amerson and thank him for the legacy that we here at Broadway continue to enjoy and for the ways in which he and this congregation continue to invest in faithful and creative leaders for the Christian church in the world through the fine education at Garrett.

Lenten Bible Study Underway

Our Lenten Bible study will continue to meet on Wednesdays throughout the month of March -- March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th. Plan to gather at Henry's Coffee Bistro (627 N. East Street, Indianapolis) from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. for dinner, coffee, or dessert and conversation.

Bring your questions and your Bible!

See you there!

~ Rachel Metheny

World Day of Prayer Service

This year's World Day of Prayer Service will be held Friday, March 5th at 10:00 a.m. at Northwood Christian Church (4550 N. Central Avenue).

This year's service was written by the women of Cameroon. This same service will be given at a number of different times and locations in Indianapolis and in many of the countries of the world on March 5th. It is a service that begins in the Cook Island, then New Zealand and throughout the various time zones by members of many different Christian Churches. Do come to experience this meaningful worship service.

~ Barb Griffith

Searchers Pancake Breakfast

The 30th Annual Searchers Pancake Breakfast will be held on March 14th in Broadway's Community Room. Serving will be from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (or until everyone gets a chance to eat!). The cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12-years old and younger. The breakfast features Bob Evans sausage and pancakes, Ann Chernish's hot fruit compote, and Broadway's warm friendliness. All proceeds help support activities and projects of Broadway Church. Come early or stay late -- the Searchers are looking forward to serving you!



Check out the Celebration Service



After debuting last August, the 9:30 a.m. Celebration worship service is still going strong! The service is multi-generational, casual, and upbeat and takes place each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Coffee House (Wesley Room). Celebration is open to everyone...we hope you'll join us! For more information, please contact Duane Carlisle (dcarlisle@broadwayumc.org) or Rachel Metheny (rmetheny@broadwayumc.org) at (317) 924-4207.

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Don Earnhart Honored



Indiana University's January/February 2010 issue of *Indiana Alumni Magazine* announced that Don Earnhart has been honored as an IU Foundation Partner in Philanthropy:

Donald B. Earnhart, BS '49, LLD '86, of Indianapolis, received the Herman B. Wells Visionary Award for his wide-ranging commitment to IU across the disciplines. A member of the IU Foundation Board for more than 40 years -- as well as numerous other university, campus and school boards and councils -- his leadership has

brought significant contributions to IU's medical research facilities, libraries, and infrastructure.

~ Submitted by Roger Sell

Interested in Donating Altar Flowers?

The flowers that enhance our chancel area each week are made possible by the generous donations of members and friends of Broadway Church. If you are interested in donating altar flowers in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one during the upcoming months, please contact Joanne Solomon at (317) 257-4737 or jsjgsolo@aol.com.

Broadway Presents Artist Series

Broadway Presents Artist Series provides a variety of musical shows, concerts and events. Now in its tenth season, the BPAS has expanded its vision to include a larger variety of experiences for its audiences. All concerts are free and open to the public.

Our most recent event, *Smoke on the Mountain: The Musical*, was very well received by the record breaking audience, nearly 400 people in attendance at both performances. The cast and crew received many comments similar to these:

"It was wonderfully done! -- very professional. The BPAS is making huge strides. And congrats on such a wonderful audience."

"REALLY, REALLY fantastic! Funny, fun, just thoroughly entertaining. A must see!"

"FABULOUS! I loved it! Bravo to all cast and those involved! What talent you all have! Thanks for all of your hard work in presenting this entertaining musical tale!"

"What an outstanding job the actors/actresses/singers/musicians/crew did at Broadway United Methodist Church's musical performance of Smoke on the Mountain tonight. Very well done, friends!"

Remaining events for the 2009-2010 series include:

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*).

Sanctuary Concert: Organ, Kevin Neel

May 9th, 2010 - 1:00 p.m.

Kevin Neel is an undergraduate Organ Performance major at the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University in Bloomington and is the Associate Minister of Music at Broadway UMC.

An Independence Day Celebration

June 27th, 2010

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

UMW News...

NEW DATE! 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, March 13th 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 contact Phyllis Newton at (317) 255-8116.

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!

Season of Lent

Sundays through 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

Stations of the Cross Walk

Friday, April 2nd - 10:00 a.m.

Beginning at Broadway UMC, Ending at North UMC

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

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Interesting Facts from the Green Team

GREEN TEAM CHIEF, RANDY FICKLIN, SHARES INFORMATION ABOUT PHANTOM ELECTRICAL LOADS



When you turn something off, it might not be off. Say what? Many of our newest electronic appliances and toys are actually in standby mode when we turn them "off." This is a design feature to provide us the convenience of time -- the time of not waiting for internal components to warm up. This convenience costs us money and reduced air quality.

Electronic devices with clocks, instant-on features, indicator lights, and digital and mechanical light timers all consume electricity when turned off. This is known as the phantom electrical load and can draw from 2 to 10 watts.

For your sensitive electronics, purchase a surge protected power bar with a toggle switch. When you are away or not planning to use the devices for a few days, turn this switch off. You'll be amazed at how much you can save -- money and the environment. This suggestion is fantastic for your computer and its peripherals, your television, stereo, and CD/DVD player! It's very convenient before a lightening storm strikes.

Be aware that unplugging certain devices may reset programmable options and timers. Being practical, consider leaving a VCR plugged in -- we all know how much of a pain it can be to reprogram!

Next time you're shopping for a new electronic device or appliance, look for ones with energy-saving features, which can help reduce these phantom loads. Some are even marked with an Energy Star label. These are your best bets for saving electricity and reducing greenhouse gas, smog, and emissions of other harmful pollutants.

Employment Opportunity

Recruiting for jobs with the 2010 U.S. Census is happening now! The 2010 Census is offering testing/recruiting sessions in your area for Census Takers and other jobs paying from \$10.00 to more than \$15.00 per hour with mileage reimbursement. Great full and part-time temporary positions with flexible hours are currently available. Call (866) 861-2010 for information on testing/recruiting sites, dates and times. Informational materials are available in the church office, and you may also download a practice test to help you prepare by visiting www.2010censusjobs.gov. If you would like additional information, please contact Paul Boughner at (317) 562-1209.

Rather Like

I'll stand behind a righteous man
who's never standing still
He tells me if it's normal
Then there's something else that's ill.
Out onward way I'd rather be
Here's something that He likes
a chocolate covered raisin or yet a
chocolate covered bike.
It's funny when he tells it
got me smiling ear to ear
Sojourner truth or Malcolm
saying something I want to hear
Sometimes it hurts because it's true
I'm never led astray.
Developing Community
Give up? No way.

~ Eric Sarver

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 OF THE MONTH WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE NEXT MONTH'S NEWSLETTER WITHOUT EXCEPTION!** Please contact Karen McAleavey at kmcaleavey@broadwayumc.org or (317) 924-4207 for more details or to submit information.

Reminders

FIRST FRIDAYS

First Fridays will meet on March 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. The group meets at 6:30 p.m. and orders dinner at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!

TABLE CLOTHS

If you have any of the teal, pink, cream, or white table cloths, please wash and return them as soon as possible. We will be having dinners in the future, and oftentimes, we need all of our tablecloths.

Please remember, if you use a table cloth, please wash it (no softener required) and return it to the church as soon as possible. Thanks for your help!

~ Pat Pearson

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	(\$32,490.31)
	PROJECTED	ACTUAL

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

Consider 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.

Special Thanks!

A special thanks to Pat Pearson for her hard work and attention to all the details in and about Broadway!

~ Anonymous

To the UMW of Broadway Church, Thank you for providing a meal for our family and friends following Gary's memorial service. It was so nice to eat and visit during this time. Thanks, too, for the many people who spent time in preparation. May God bless you.

~ The Family of Gary Leinbach

(The UMW women involved in this luncheon were Lorraine Chisler, Ellie Gramer, Phyllis Newton, Ann Chernish, and Stephanie Isbell.)

Personal thanks from Pat to Lorraine, Ellie, Phyllis, Ann, and Stephanie. You are incredible, wonderful, nice, helpful, awesome...do I need to go on?

~ Pat Pearson

Dear Broadway UMC, Thank you for your recent donation to the Phoebe Fund [Crow Creek Indian Reservation]. This will help take the Boys & Girls Club swimming and bowling. The Boys & Girls Club provides a safe place for the children, especially during the cold part of the year. Thank you for your support.

~ Pat Croley

The June Akard family would like to thank the Broadway family for keeping our mother in your thoughts and prayers. We sincerely appreciate the many volunteers who have checked in on our mother's well-being over the years. Your touching notes, beautiful flowers, cherished quilt, church bulletins, and many acknowledgements mean so much to June. Your kindness and thoughtfulness are appreciated.

~ The Clyde Akard (June Akard) Family

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March 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

- 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 March:

- 3rd: *Committee on Lay Leadership*
6:00 p.m., Fishes & Loaves Rm.
6th: *UMW Central District Meeting*
9:00 a.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
Staff Meeting with Anne Mitchell
9:30 a.m., Wesley Room
13th: *UMW Day of Prayer & Self Denial*
9:30 a.m., Parlor
Facility Rental
5:00 p.m., Community Room
14th: *Searchers' Pancake Breakfast*
8:00 a.m., Community Room
UMW Board Meeting
8:30 a.m., Conference Room
Diakonia Meeting
12:30 a.m., Wesley Room
Facility Rental
2:00 p.m., Community Room
16th: *Prayer Chain Meeting*
9:00 a.m., Conference Room
17th: *Board of Directors Meeting*
6:00 p.m., Conference Room
19th: *Wedding Rehearsal*
7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
20th: *Wedding Ceremony*
4:30 p.m., Community Room
26th: *Mari, Fran & Chocolate*
6:30 p.m., Wesley Room
28th: *Butler Recital & Reception*
5:00 p.m., Sanctuary & Community Room



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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Easter Lilies

If you would like to order Easter Lilies in honor or memory of a loved one, please complete the form below and return it with your check to the church office. Plants are \$9.00 each, and checks may be made payable to Broadway United Methodist Church. Sixty-five plants are available for purchase.

Order forms must be received no later than Monday, March 29th.

The lilies will decorate the chancel on Easter Sunday and may be picked up following the Easter Sunday worship service.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Number of Lilies (\$9.00/plant): _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

*Please return completed order form and payment to:
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