

TOWER

Chimes

Broadway United Methodist Church

September 2010

Keep tellin' the Story...

Lessons from the Stained Glass

Every Sunday when I face the congregation, I also face the stained glass window that rises behind the back balcony. People often remark on its loveliness.

When I was here back in the 1980's, I remember young people traipsing behind Ruth Godsey as she led them through the church and on up to that window. Using the stories depicted there in the many-colored glass, Ruth taught the faith to earnest young explorers.

Not long ago, when Dr. Robert Taylor encouraged me to shine a light on this beautiful window, I got up close to it myself and contemplated the sixteen words and stories that make up that lovely stained glass.

Over the next sixteen months, I will be using stories and words from the stained glass window to help us think about our faith and life. As I have begun to prepare for this sequence, I've thought about how good it is to focus my mind and heart on something that is always right there before my eyes. I've also realized that there are many, many lessons to be learned from this stained glass window and I thought I would share with you some that I see.

When you get up close you can see the story that it's telling.

When the light shines through it, everyone admires its beauty.

Orlando has lived in the 3100 block of Broadway for over 20 years now. He was here in worship a few weeks ago when we were celebrating his daughter, Lauren, one of the recipients of the Eugene Smith Scholarship. Orlando and I had met a couple of times previously, but a week before his daughter received the scholarship he came to the church and sat down to talk.

Orlando is a gifted musician with a studio in his home. As he sat in my study, he expressed frustration at the ways in which music and arts education are being cut back or eliminated from school curricula. De'Amon asked him, "So what are **you** going to do about it?" But Orlando couldn't seem to hear that question.

LaMarr, one of this summer's Roving Listeners around Broadway, loves music, so he and his team of young people went to visit Orlando. A few weeks later, I called Orlando to ask him a question. In the process, he mentioned his visit from LaMarr. He said that LaMarr had been coming to visit every day since he had met Orlando. LaMarr has some friends that he sings with and he had started bringing his friends by to meet Orlando as well. Orlando mentioned that he is making an album of original compositions based on the Psalms. He said that he was going to ask

LaMarr and his friends to sing on the album.

After that conversation, I realized that Orlando had the answer to his own frustration regarding music and the arts in school. Orlando is giving guitar lessons on his porch, and inviting his neighbors to sing and make music on albums he is creating. If those efforts can multiply, then music and the arts will be so overflowing in the streets that the schools will not be able to keep them out!

When we shine a light on the beauty around us--when we allow others to see and enjoy it--the beauty multiplies. If we, as followers of Jesus Christ, can evangelize by bearing witness to God's abundance in surprising places--like the neighborhood around Broadway--then, like so many of Jesus' parables and actions, we will see the return--10 fold, 100 fold and more.

So shine a light on the stained glass windows and stories all around you! Focus your mind and heart on what is there right before your eyes all the time.

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Broadway Garage Sale Generates Profit, Builds Fellowship

The BUMC Garage Sale, held on Saturday, August 14th, was a huge success. More than \$1,500 was raised to supplement the Annual Budget, and that total will only grow since various collectible items were held back to be advertised on eBay!

The volume of donated items far exceeded everyone's expectations. It required a large U-Haul truck—bursting at its seams --to transport all of the goods to the Ivy Hills Annual Garage Sale event, of which the BUMC Garage Sale was a part. Our gratitude goes out to all who contributed. It was easy to see that many of these items had sentimental value and that they would tell wonderful stories if they could talk. It's amazing grace that our Broadway community was willing to part with these items for the greater good of the church.

Though the monetary return alone was gratifying, much more than the church operating fund was enriched during this event. Throughout the course of long and strenuous preparation for garage sale day, Broadway contributors and workers alike experienced a loving sense of fellowship. It took the patient and friendly efforts of many people working together to unload and store things at the church staging area. Then came long hours spent pricing the donated goods, with some workers even going so far as to check the Internet for appropriate values to assign. Others helped carry the goods up from the basement, load them into the truck and unload them at Ivy Hills. Volunteers spent two entire days setting up the sale area and then breaking it down. On the day of the sale itself, it was wonderful to watch the salesmanship of some of our church members. I'm certain Ellie could sell you some land in Florida. Last, but not least, we enjoyed packing up the remaining items for next year's sale and labeled some of them for the Silent Auction being held later this year. All of this work was done with cheerfulness and excitement, as we knew we were helping benefit our church.

But this tremendous outpouring of fellowship was not confined within the Broadway family. We extended it to all the lookers and buyers who came to the sale. We paid it forward by donating a box of knit baby blankets to a local hospice. The price of a pair of shoes was cut in half for a young girl who was obviously in need. A free item was thrown in to a collection of furniture being purchased for a young man's first apartment. Stuffed animals were donated to an African Mission to be sent to children overseas. I'm sure God was pleased with what he witnessed. I know I was.

Special thanks go out to special people who brought the initial idea of a Broadway Garage Sale to a sunny day reality: Ann Chernish, Nancy Zent, Ellie Gramer, Shirley Shazer, Pat Pearson, Joanne Solomon, Darlene Aguirre, Cathy Pilarski, Mike Nix, Scott Collins, Randy Ficklin, Todd Fuqua, Paul Boughner, Frank Sablan, Chuck Daube and Jim Pierson. Thank you one and all!

-Mark DeVore

Consecration Sunday Set for October 3rd

Please plan to join us for this special day in the life of our church. The funds committed on this day help support our mission to Seek, Welcome and Value All People. Our various fund raisers help, but over 80% of our income comes from people keeping the estimates of giving made on Consecration Sunday. More information will be shared during the month of September, including details on our Consecration Brunch that morning. So **please hold October 3rd**.

-Todd Fuqua



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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 months of September and October, please contact Joanne Solomon at (317) 257-4737 or jsjgsolo@aol.com.



First Fridays

First Fridays will meet not meet in September due to the Labor Day weekend holiday. We will reconvene on October 1st at George's Neighborhood Grill (6935 Lake Plaza Drive). The group meets at 6:30 p.m. and orders dinner at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you October 1st!

Estate Planning

Thinking about estate planning or wills? Please consider leaving Broadway UMC in your will. As we think about the financial health of Broadway's future, we hope and pray each of you are thinking of leaving a legacy to Broadway. Should you have any questions or desire to speak with someone further about leaving a legacy to Broadway, please speak with Chad Abbott (cabbott@broadwayumc.org or (317) 924-4207).

Poem: I Can Believe it

I can believe it.
I can be it.
Eyes open wide inside of my mind
to do what is needed to shine
I can learn
I can live
hands operating on positive aspects
of dialect
of things to give
who am I
who are we
making the invisible visible
is what I want to see

-Eric Sarver

Brown Paper Bags Wanted

We have learned that the men at the Wheeler Mission find the brown paper shopping bags that we get at the grocery store really useful. If you fold them and bring them to the Church Office, someone will take them to the Mission. Thanks!

Front Desk Volunteers Wanted

Do you have a few extra hours each week to lend a hand at Broadway's front desk? We are currently looking for volunteers who are able to answer phones and help out with other small office tasks at the church office. Wednesday and Thursday afternoons are two time slots that need to be filled. In addition, we are always looking for volunteers who are able to substitute when the regularly scheduled volunteers are unavailable. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the church office at (317) 924-4207. Thanks!

Broadway Bums End Fun Softball Season

Our Broadway Bums softball team completed the regular season with a record of 2 wins and 5 losses. Of the 5 teams involved in the playoffs, the team was No. 3 seed.

Team members were Dwight Chernish, manager; Biff Chisler, equipment manager and groundskeeper; Brian Chernish, manager, and Brian's friend, Jeff; Andrew McCracken and his friend, Jared; Ty Graves; Joe Norman; LuJuana Hicks; Charles Landis; Brahm Landis; Thad Jones; Jason Jones; Tina Durham; April Priest; Lea Kazas, Lea's friends, Billie and Alicia; Christa Martini; Erin Thomas; and Eric Sarver and his friends, Brandon, Quintin, and Donovan.

A big Thank You to all the team members who gave an all-out effort each and every week, and were fun to watch play. We can be very proud of each one of them, and proud that we never had to forfeit a game because of a lack of players.

And a big Thank You, too, to our loyal fans, Jim and Lee Hartsock, Bill and Jeanette Chisler, Lorraine Chisler, Carol McCracken, Ellie Gramer, Emma McInnney, Yvonne Fillinger and Josiah, Gene Hoffman, Niki Chernish, Ann Chernish, Marnie Pengilly, and Darlene Aguirre.

-Carol and Gene Hoffman



Broadway Presents...

Bob and Barb Taylor will be hosts for the Broadway Presents' annual fundraiser *Taste of Broadway* on Friday, September 10th, 2010, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Wine, non-alcoholic beverages, and tapas will be served. Entertainment will be provided by Jon's Friends, a jazz ensemble of vocals, keyboard, bass and percussion. RSVP's should be made by September 1st. Please find more information on the Artist Series website: www.broadwaypresents.org.

BROADWAY PRESENTS ARTIST SERIES MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Broadway Presents is to offer high quality visual, literary and performing arts, that are diverse in content and accessible to all, enriching the cultural lives of audiences and performers through the talents, gifts of instruments and facilities of Broadway United Methodist Church. Broadway Presents receives no financial support from Broadway Church and relies solely on the generous donations of friends and supporters. All Broadway Presents concerts are offered free of charge and it is only through gifts and donations that we are able to present the theatrical, musical, and visual experiences for which we have become known.

Broadway's Music Ministry

INSTRUMENTALISTS

If you are an instrumentalist who would be willing to volunteer your time sharing your musical talents during worship, Chris Schroeder would love to hear from you! If you are interested in participating in worship in this way, please contact Chris either by e-mail: cschroeder@broadwayumc.org or phone: (317) 924-4207, extension 31.

CHANCEL CHOIR

After a summer break, the Adult Chancel Choir will return to the 10:45 a.m. worship service on September 12th. Rehearsals began on Wednesday, September 1st. The choir sings anthems that span a variety of styles, which provides an opportunity for all members to learn and grow musically and spiritually. It is not necessary to be able to read music to sing in the choir; music reading instructions are given periodically at rehearsals to help all members become better musicians. Please contact Chris Schroeder if you want to explore the possibility of singing in the choir or simply come to our Wednesday rehearsal in Beck Hall beginning at 7:30 p.m.

HANDBELL CHOIR

The Hand Bell Choir has resumed rehearsals on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. The Bell Choir plays for the 10:45 a.m. worship service on the third Sunday of every month. The bell choir is always open to new members. If you cannot commit to regular rehearsals or Sunday playing, one option would be for you to substitute when a regular member cannot attend. Whether you play regularly or substitute, it's important to be able to read music. If you have that skill and can assist us, please contact Kevin Neel, Broadway's Associate Minister of Music at kneel@broadwayumc.org.



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UMW News...

Calling All Caring Women and Men

The United Methodist Woman of Broadway will host their annual Imaginary Bazaar on Saturday morning, October 2, 2010, in Room 101. Though this Christmas-party-like event is slated to run from 9:30 a.m. to noon, you are welcome to join us for any portion of that time. As we gather, we will contribute monetary donations—our imaginary bazaar—toward missions here and abroad. We will also participate in two hands-on projects—filling school kits for children in Sierra Leone and filling Christmas stockings for homeless children in Indianapolis who are served by our United Methodist Fletcher Place Community Center.

We welcome donations of items to fill the school bags and the Christmas stockings. School bag items are listed below. Christmas items can be anything that you might put in a small Christmas stocking for your own child or grandchild. You may bring donations to the church office prior to October 2, or bring them with you on the day of the bazaar. Thank you for your generosity!

Secondary school bag: a solar calculator; three 70-count, wide-lined notebooks; 1 metric ruler or protractor; 4 ballpoint pens; money to buy a Bible (used as a textbook).

Elementary school bag: three 70-count, wide-lined notebooks; 1 metric ruler; 1 box 24-count crayons; 4 No. 2 pencils; 1 eraser; 1 pencil sharpener; 1 blunt scissors; money for 1 New Testament.

-Phyllis Newton

An Introduction to Covenant Nation

Broadway United Methodist Women have been exploring ways to better connect with our missionaries in the field, and to actively support one of one of them so we can more closely relate to her.

Betty Tshala is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church. Betty serves with the Mujila Falls Project in Zambia, Africa, which provides education to people with limited income and education. She teaches nutrition and the importance of a balanced diet in an area where malnutrition is rampant.

Born and educated in the Congo, where war has raged for many years, Betty earned her degree in Nursing and Hospitality. Her post-graduate work was in Nursing Administration. She is married to another GBGM missionary, Tshala Mwengo, who majored in Agriculture at Africa University. Betty and her husband are parents of a young son, Tashala Lans.

Our UMW Board has approved our prospective covenant with Betty Tshala, and we are in the process of defining our relationship with her.

-Phyllis Newton

Central United Methodists Prepare for Habitat Build

Central United Methodists anticipate the 2nd Annual UMC Home Build with Habitat for Humanity. Organizers hope for donations and volunteer participation sufficient to fully fund and build a home for the Ghebremedhin/Wurota family, who are refugees from Egypt. Activity at the build site (849 River Ave.) will occur from October 12 through November 20. Donations can be mailed to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Indianapolis, Attn. UMC Build, 1011 East 22nd St., Indianapolis IN 46202. To volunteer, contact Beth Butcher at 317-921-2121 or bbutcher@indyhabitat.org. (This information is excerpted from *Hossier United Methodist Together*.)

Check Out Celebration!

Celebration marked its one-year anniversary on August 15th with delicious cupcakes and a rousing chorus of "Happy Birthday." This service, which takes place each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Community Room is multi-generational, casual, and upbeat. 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.



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 Janice Holley at jholley@broadwayumc.org or (317) 924-4207 for more details or to submit information.

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Miracle on 29th Street Updates Now Available through E-mail



Bi-weekly Miracle stories and updates are now available via e-mail. If you are not currently receiving these e-mails and would like to sign-up, please contact Chad Abbott at cabbott@broadwayumc.org or (317) 924-4207. You can also become a fan of The Miracle on 29th Street by visiting the fan page on Facebook. Don't forget to follow The Miracle on Twitter at @BroadwayMiracle or by visiting The Miracle on 29th Street Blog at www.miracleon29th.com. Be sure to check it out!

Church Finance Update as of July 31, 2010

	BUDGETED		ACTUAL
INCOME	\$230,466.14	INCOME	\$248,041.69
EXPENSE	\$252,453.97	EXPENSE	\$226,051.63
DEFICIT	(\$21,987.83)	POSITIVE	\$22,990.06
	PROJECTED		ACTUAL

As of July 31st, we were \$43,977.89 better than what we had forecast! We are better than projected for a few reasons: Staff has done excellent job of keeping expenses down and people have paid their pledges earlier in the year than when they were budgeted. For additional information, please contact Treasurer Mike Nix (michaelpnix@aol.com).

*John Wesley had a simple message regarding giving:
earn all you can; save all you can; give all you can.
Thank you for earning, saving, and giving all you can!*

Consider Electronic Giving!

Broadway Church 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."

September 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, Community Room
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School Classes, Room 101, 103 and 104
- Korean Bible Study, Room B-1
- 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, Community Room

WEDNESDAYS

- 11:15 a.m. Staff Yoga, Room 312
- 6:00 p.m. Stress-Reduction Yoga, Room 312
- Macedonia Church Worship Service, Chapel
- Bell Choir, Room 202
- 6:30 p.m. AA Meeting, Wesley Room
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir, Beck Hall
- 7:30 pm. Hope in the Hood, Room 103
- 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAYS

- 4:00 p.m. Alberta Denk Violin Class, Beck Hall

FRIDAYS

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

The Church Office will be closed Monday, September 6, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.



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

- 1st: *Committee on Lay Leadership*
6:00 p.m., Fishes and Loaves Rm
- 2nd: *MNSC Investment Club*
9:30 a.m.
- 3rd: *Wedding Rehearsal*
7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
- 4th: *Committee on Lay Leadership*
6:00 p.m., Fishes & Loaves Rm.
Wedding
7:00 p.m., Sanctuary
- 8th: *UMW Board Meeting*
8:30 a.m., Conference Room
Property Committee
5:30 p.m., Rm. 104
- 10th: *Taste of Broadway*
7:30 p.m., home of
Bob and Barb Taylor
- 11th: *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
- 12th: *UMW Board Meeting*
8:30 a.m., Conference Room
Diakonia
12 noon, Wesley Room
- 15th: *Board of Directors and*
Finance Committee
6:00 p.m., Conference Room
- 16th: *Prayer Chain*
9:00 a.m., Conference Room
- 18th: *Facility Rental*
4:00 p.m., Community Room
- 21st: *MNSC Board of Directors*
1:00 p.m.
- 22nd: *Sharing HER Story,*
with Anne Ryder
6:30 p.m, Sanctuary
- 24th: *Facility Rental set-up*
9:00 a.m., Community Room
- 25th: *Facility Rental*
4:00 p.m., Community Rm.

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, and MyoHee Cho

Program: Duane Carlisle, Children/Youth Minister
De'Amon Harges, Roving Listener
Chris Schroeder, Minister of Music/Organist
Kevin Neel, Associate Minister of Music

Office: Karen McAleavey, Administrative Assistant
Janice Holley, Administrative Assistant

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Cathy Pilarski, Facility Manager
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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;
Youth/Children Sunday School - 9:30 a.m., Nursery - Rm 203;
Age Five - 5th Grade - Rm 202 at 9:30 a.m.*

Sunday Worship Schedule at Broadway UMC

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