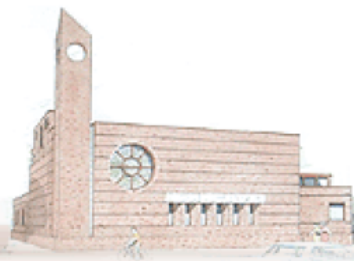




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The Pastor's Paragraphs

"How can we honor our God with our lives, the God who gives rain in both spring and autumn and maintains the rhythm of the seasons, who sets aside time each year for harvest and keeps everything running smoothly for us?"
~ Jeremiah 5

With an apple tree in the front yard, Broadway and the Parsonage get visitors in the fall – the gate is open, and folks come in, grab an apple from the ground or pick one from the branches. Last week we had a bunch of houseguests, and I often found them sitting on the front porch or on the yard swing, munching apples.

And last week the choir sang the lovely hymn, "Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree" – which includes these words: "this fruit doth make my soul to thrive/it keeps my dying faith alive."

When the change of seasons comes, it "keeps my faith alive" – for it is in the turning, turning, turning that I am reminded of God's creation and God's invitation to be part of re-creating the world in each season.

The fall season in most churches is busy, and Broadway is no exception – look through these pages to see all that's going on in the life of this amazing congregation. Join us for Church Conference on Sunday, October 3, to celebrate our identity, our mission, our vision.

For Broadway continues to be a place where I am fed by the fruit of Jesus; and fed by those who follow Jesus, who respond to the needs of the world through Broadway's community and ministry. My hope and prayer is that you, too, are fed. My hope and prayer is that you, too, feel called to feed others through the amazing, unconditional love of God reaching to us – from beyond, from the mystery of the Spirit; and from one another, in the hand outstretched, the tear dried, the laughter shared.

The gate's open – enjoy the fruit!



Ever on the journey with you,

Lois ⁺

Rev. Lois McCullen Parr

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Vernice's View

As we move into the fall and the end of the year, there are many conversations that we, as a faith community, must consider. One such dialogue is budget and ministry goals for the upcoming year. It is at its best a nervous endeavor as we attempt to balance reality with our hopes and dreams and a very human fear with a growing faith.

Again this year it is a daunting venture, but there is good news. 1) We are committed to the inclusive ministry that is preached, taught and modeled here. 2) We are dedicated to continue our movement of being a multi-cultural, reconciling, anti-racist institution. Our labor is framed and supported by our mission statement. Our challenge is to finance that justice journey.

I am reminded of scripture as I reflect on this journey. In 1 Samuel 1:4-20 we meet a woman named Hannah. A woman ridiculed and ostracized because she is not able to conceive. She's been barren for many years and when she receives the gift she's so diligently prayed for, she gives it back. She gives her only, long awaited son back to God. This scripture is complex and lends itself to numerous theological inquiries including, what does it mean to give? What is the motivation behind giving? Whether we're giving money, time, or love, what compels us, what stimulates us to give, sometimes our last, sometimes our only, sometimes all of who are?

As I contemplate these questions, I am reminded of my call to ministry – leaving all that I knew to come to Chicago to seminary, to answer that call. Was it a sacrifice? Yes, and actually continues to be on some levels. Yet, I was and am still compelled to be who God wants me to be and to do what God wants me to do.

The stewardship lesson? It is not out of guilt that I give my time, my money, my self – it is out of love and dedication and commitment. It is also out of passion for who I believe I am and who I believe I can become because of that love and commitment.

As individuals, as a church, as a community we are called to give – our time, our money, ourselves. What motivates that giving? As we move into stewardship month I would like us to consider this: Our stewardship is a part of our whole being – it belongs not just in church but is a general concept about how we are connected to the world around us. Stewardship is about accountability. What is our responsibility to our family, our church, our community, our world, our planet, ourselves? Stewardship is about how we care for those responsibilities. Our stewardship plan is a way for us to return, like Hannah, God's gift of unending, unconditional love for us. The kind of love we share right here in this community; a community that continues to stretch our understanding and our arms; intentionally naming ourselves as beloved children of God, in spite of what the world might say. And with that awareness, extending the Gospel message of radical welcome and inclusion to others.

As we begin to consider how to give and why, let our reflection be grounded in scripture and supported by not only our mission statement, but this amazing year of growth. This year we have experienced our mission and vision in a more faithful way – living it, rather than just thinking and talking it. We have put legs to it, walking with each other even as we reach beyond our walls. Let all of that be a part of our deliberation as we imagine how we might support this great church in 2011. Let us be moved by the gifts God has blessed us with and by a passion to continue the ministry we have been charged with. Let's also be in prayer, because God is still in the miracle business. The things we think are impossible (like barrenness) God is able to change and bring new life to. Let us approach this time with an assurance that through God all things are possible.



In Truth and Justice,

Vernice

Kevin's Korner

October 2010

Background note: Rev. Kevin A. Johnson and Mike Shear are BUMC members who moved to Palm Springs, California, in July 2002, to begin Bloom in the Desert Ministries, which is an interdenominational, inclusive Christian ministry including the Methodist (Broadway style) tradition. "Kevin's Korner" is a monthly column reporting on their progress so Broadway and Bloom stay well connected in ministry together. (www.bloominthedesert.org)



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Bloom's Fund Development Team is in the process of bringing some important perspectives to our little congregation. I think it is good for our Broadway friends to know this too. Here is an excerpt from a letter going out to our members and annual supporters.

*"Ongoing financial developments mean our church has to focus **now** on how we will manage the funding and support of Bloom, our pastor, and our benevolence programs in the coming years.*

We have been blessed for the past three years with grants that enabled us to support and expand our ministry programs as we've grown. The United Church of Christ provided Bloom, because of our status as a start-up church, with a three-year grant of \$20,000 annually to help fund pastoral support. That UCC grant expires this year. Receiving the UCC grant allowed us to increase our pastor's very modest salary. The UCC grant was intended for this purpose. Unless we can come up with funds to make up for the end of the grant monies, we run the risk of coming up short in compensating our pastor.

The Carpenter Foundation has provided grants for two years amounting to a total of \$17,000. We have been informed that it is unlikely that we will receive another grant from the Carpenter Foundation.

As people of faith knowing that there are many resources at our disposal, we know it is possible to meet the challenges ahead. *In order to maintain the support of our pastor, continue our community outreach and benevolent programs at their present levels, and achieve our goals of expanding our service to the community and our charity to those in need; we can agree to give more of ourselves.*

*We can come together with support for Bloom in all ways. We can volunteer our time to serve on teams and in leadership roles. We can give more of our wealth, as we are able. Let's challenge ourselves to increase our pledges and contributions to the financial health of Bloom in the Desert Ministries. We are thankful that many of us have done this each year. We **are** the church that we have all come to love. It is up to us to pray for and respond to Bloom's financial goals for congregational growth and outreach ministries."*

Beyond this call for personal prayer support and financial covenants, we are trying to brainstorm new sources of income for our church. Legacy planning and our second Spring Fling Cabaret and Silent Auction fundraiser will support long-term sustainability, but they are not meant for the program budget. As we try to diversify our revenue streams, we work to have more than one reliable financial source. Still, we know that the generosity of people in a committed relationship with God and Bloom giving what they can is what will ensure the future of this remarkable Christian church.

Please keep all of us in your prayers. Join the Bloom in the Desert Ministries Group on Facebook and sign up for our weekly electronic newsletter at www.bloominthedesert.org.

God bless you.

KAJ

ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE

Church/Charge Conference

Sunday, October 3, at 7pm

with District Superintendent Rev. James Preston

Our annual all-congregational meeting is an opportunity to celebrate the ministries of Broadway and to hear reports about “the state of the church.” Because we have an early Church Conference this year, we won’t be considering a total budget for 2011; however, we are required to vote on the annual 2011 compensation for Lois, our appointed United Methodist Pastor.

All are welcome to come and celebrate and to hear about ministries and visioning you may not have had a chance to know about! Childcare will be available.

Please note: because Dignity worships at Broadway Sundays at 5, we ask that you make any arrival by car as close to 7 as you can, so that Dignity members can leave the parking lot to make room for you – thanks!



OCTOBER WORSHIP NOTES

- Sunday, 10/3** World Communion Sunday; Preaching: Rev. Vernice L. Thorn
- Saturday, 10/9** Blessing of the Animals at 2 pm (see page 7)
- Sunday, 10/10** A Service of Healing; Preaching: Rev. Lois McCullen Parr
Celebrating National Coming Out Day; Celebrating New Covenants (see page 7)
- Sunday, 10/17** Laity Sunday; Guest Preacher: Charolette Lill
Children’s Sabbath – our children help lead us
CROP Walk at 1 pm (see page 11)
- Sunday, 10/24** Celebration of Holy Baptism; Preaching: Rev. Lois McCullen Parr
- Sunday, 10/31** Hispanic Heritage Sunday (see page 12)
11:00 Festival Service in Spanish: *A Liturgy of Peace* – words & songs of peace & hope
Special Guest: Dr. Osvaldo Vena, Professor of New Testament at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

MULTICULTURAL SEMINAR SERIES

Multicultural Seminar Series 2010-11

Presented by "It Takes A Village"

Sponsored by The People of Color (POC) Discussion Group
and the Anti-Racist White Caucus (ARWC)

As an open and affirming, reconciling, anti-racist institution we believe that all God's people are valued and should have equal access and voice at the table of life. To accomplish this it takes the whole village learning and living together. We invite everyone to participate in a series of seminars which address issues that so often surface in multicultural congregations.

When: **September 18, October 2, November 13, January 15** and every Saturday in February 2011, from 10 am to 1 pm.

The dialogue will address some of these topics and more:

- Diversity: what is it and how can we get there?
- Defining multiculturalism
- Living inclusivity and radical hospitality
- Anti-racism: keeping everyone at the table
- White privilege: Is it real?
- "isms" — breaking down walls — moving beyond oppressive barriers
- Understanding systemic racism: Who benefits? Who is harmed?
- Confronting racism, sexism, heterosexism and other oppressions



Diversity, Multicultural and Anti-Racism Seminar Series
2010-2011

September 18 SATURDAY 10am-1pm
WELCOME TO THE SEMINAR SERIES: PETER GODARD & VINCENT WIGGINS
Introduction & overview of the seminar series

October 2 SATURDAY 10am-1pm
RESOURCES SEMINAR: LUIS RIVERA & ELINA RODRIGUEZ
Resources for Competent Ministry in a Diverse Changing World

November 13 SATURDAY 10am-1pm
MULTICULTURAL SEMINAR: ELINA RODRIGUEZ & LUIS RIVERA
Competent Ministry Begins with Knowing Yourself

January 15 SATURDAY 10am-1pm
ANTI-RACISM SEMINAR: CATHY KNIGHT & VERNICE THORN
The Intersections of Oppression

Sponsored by The People of Color and Anti-Racist White Caucus Discussion Groups of Broadway United Methodist Church
3338 N Broadway St. • Chicago, IL 60647 • 773-441-2673 • WWW.BROADWAYCHURCHCHICAGO.ORG

This journey is not an easy one, but it is a faithful one, supported by the Gospel message. This educational series is designed to move us further down the road of justice. Look for additional information in the weekly e-news and in Sunday bulletins. We hope that you will prayerfully consider joining us on this journey.

NURTURE COMMITTEE

October Film Festival



Friday Night, October 1st we begin our *Hitchcock On Broadway* Film Festival! The free movies will be shown **each Friday in October at 7 pm** with complimentary popcorn and beverages. We'll open our series with Alfred Hitchcock's *REBECCA*, his first film for Hollywood and his only Academy Award Winning Film. On the Friday before Halloween, we'll close with the double feature showings of *THE BIRDS* and *PSYCHO*. Watch for your weekly e-mail updates to find info and background on each film showing that week, or stop by and see our Coming Attractions board in the Friendship Hall. More information on our [website](#) under "Join Us."

Halloween Party and Costume Parade

Saturday, October 30 from 3-5pm. Come and celebrate at Broadway with a Halloween Party and Costume Parade. Before you head out into the dark for the Annual Neighborhood Bash, stop by Broadway and party on down! Watch your weekly e-mail updates and the church bulletin for more info!



Soup and Salad Potluck



Sunday, October 31, immediately following our services, stay and continue the Broadway Fellowship with a Soup and Salad Potluck. As the weather outside gets chillier, no need to rush out into the Fall breeze to grab a brunch or snack. Stay and share in the wealth of great culinary minds and talented cooks we have right here at Broadway. Have a favorite comfort soup you'd like to share? Found the BEST salad you've ever eaten at your favorite grocery? Bring it with you to church and show it off! Come one, come all!

Do the activities above sound fun and exciting to you?!?!

Do you like to plan parties? **Do** you have a flair with decorations? **Do** you enjoy cooking and sharing your food with others? **Do** you like to visit people and make friends? **Do** you like to be creative and have a flair with scissors, construction paper and bulletin boards? **Do** you enjoy playing games? **Do** you like to just be a part of a group of people who like to nurture and entertain and lift-up and celebrate? **Do** you just wanna a place where you can show up and help out wherever you're needed?

If you answered yes to any of the above....come to the church on **Thursday, October 7 at 6 pm** and **let's make it happen!** If you can't make it but are interested, email Sean-Edward at seanedward2@yahoo.com.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Saturday, October 9th at 2:00 pm
in the Broadway UMC front yard



Bring your dog, cat, hamster, fish, bird, ferret, mouse, turtle, snake, guinea pig, bunny, goat, rat, lizard, rock... or just yourself. We will gather to celebrate the animals in our lives, as well as remember loved animals who are no longer with us. Pastors will individually bless each animal present. Please make sure that your animal is healthy and vaccinated, and on-leash or in-carrier. We will spend the hour together celebrating the joy and love of animals! The service will be a wonderful opportunity to say 'thank you' to God for the gift of animals. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tracy Nolan at tnolan@go.mccormick.edu. All are welcome to attend!

MEMBERSHIP/ COVENANT EXPLORATION



Are you interested in joining Broadway's family? Would you just like to know more about the congregation? If either is the case, "Covenant Exploration" may be the experience for you. Everyone is welcome as we hold a one-day class on **Saturday, October 9th from 9:30 am to 1 pm** (lunch will be provided.) We plan to receive new members on Sunday, October 10th. Covenant Exploration has been designed for people who are interested in entering into covenant with Broadway and the United Methodist denomination or only with Broadway. The class is a prerequisite for taking the vows of connection. So if you're thinking of "joining the family," think about this opportunity to learn more!

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY



Seven Weeks with Luke and Acts

Come for a relaxed, informal Bible study – we'll take off from our earlier study of Luke, beginning with a closer look at the parables of Luke's Jesus; we'll move on to the second story Luke writes, the Acts of the Apostles.

Supplies needed: a Bible (if you need one, please ask!)
Snacks and beverages provided.

- September 20** Jesus' parables in Luke, part I
- September 27** Jesus' parables in Luke, part II
- October 4** Luke's continuing story – Acts of the Apostles
- October 11** Acts: Jerusalem
- October 18** Acts: Judea & Samaria
- October 25** Acts: the ends of the world
- November 1** Lakeview Shelter Dinner

Mondays, 10-11:30am

Wesley Room @ Broadway
3338 N Broadway, Chicago

Mondays, 7-8:30pm

@ the home of Bob Gorman
3410 Lake Shore Drive #8F, Chicago

For more information, please call the Broadway Church office at 773.348.2679

COMPUTER CLASSES

Multicultural Family Tree...

How does a computer have anything to do with diversity? As we celebrate the diversity at Broadway United Methodist Church, come join us for the four-week computer training workshop. The workshop will teach you how to use the internet, word processing, presentation software, and other technology to learn more about you, your family tree, and the BUMC community.

In addition, you can bring your own questions to class so that you can finally complete those projects that have been on your to-do list. Can't make it to the classes? You can also get online support by contacting Vincent Wiggins at vwiggins@onlineeducationsolutions.org or call 773.450.6706 to set up a time.

Please let Vincent know if you would like to join the Computer workshop on **Saturdays from 2:30-3:30 pm on October 2, October 16, and October 23.**

SUNDAY EDUCATION HOUR

Adult Education I: Don't be LEFT BEHIND. Come be enRAPTURED by a lively discussion of John's REVELATION. We are in the midst of an in-depth study **Sundays at 9:50 am** (between services) and will meet each week (almost). All are welcome! This class is being led by Christopher Gaul.

Adult Education II: *Poetry Writing Workshop, Sundays at 10:00 am, through October 10th.*

Beginning **October 17th:** Book study on *The Book of Ruth*, a novel by Jane Hamilton. A story that confronts real life issues of alienation and violence and creates a testament to the human capacity for mercy, compassion and love. Join this lively discussion of integrating real life situations to the Biblical story and the faith journey. To reserve your copy of the book, contact the office or see one of the pastors.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE!

Sanctuary Prayer

Need some meditation time after a stressful day? Need strength and encouragement to complete the week? Need quiet time to reflect on transitions going on in your life? Need special prayer to help you through a particularly challenging time? If you answered yes to any of these questions, there is a special place to have those needs addressed. Sanctuary Prayer is open to the church and community **each Wednesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m.** Come, enjoy the quiet, and listen to meditative music and the healing sound of water. A pastor is available for special prayer and consultation.



Guided Meditation

In addition to Sanctuary Prayer, Vernice and Lois are offering Guided Meditation in the Pillow Room at **6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays**. If you're interested, come in comfortable clothes for this brief meditation. If you have questions about guided meditation, please see Vernice or Lois.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Invitation to the New Testament — A short term Disciple Bible Study. This is an in depth study of the New Testament designed for those who are hungry for God's word, for fellowship, for study and for prayer. This study presents the Bible as primary text, calls for daily preparation on the part of the participants and includes a video component that adds biblical insights from scholars around context and discipleship. Join us **Wednesdays at 7 pm through October 27th**. To reserve a copy of the book, contact the office or either of the pastors.

SOWERS

Are you a “Sower”? Yes, if you ... help serve dinners at the shelter, organize or work on food drives (see page 14), attend movie nights and speaker events about news that involves our world, plant gardens, contribute to food and toiletries drives for our folks at the pantry or the youth groups, get involved in fair and local trade markets, indeed if you take part in the mission and service work of Broadway, you are a Sower. The Sowers plan on holding our next “formal” meeting on **October 13, 2010 at 6:00 pm**. And we know, many folks don’t have time or want to come to meetings and still are passionate about being involved in our work. Here’s an idea of what the next three months look like:

Shelter nights: Craig Fitzgerald is the team leader (ably assisted by Peter Godard and Holly Foltz) for the dinners that Broadway serves on the first and third Mondays of the month at Lakeview Shelter. Because BUMC has had no problem covering these nights, we believe we can easily cover another shelter night, the second Friday of the month. Shelter nights for October are **October 4, 15, and 18th**. In you want to help with donations, prepared foods, etc., get in touch with Craig to see what kind of help they need.

Mission Minutes: Diana Davis and Carrie Hunker have already made announcements about how to get involved with CROP Walk, and it also will be our October Mission Minute (see page 11), so you’ll have one more way to participate. Watch for more news about mission minutes in November (UMCOR aid to Pakistan) and December (Bloom in the Desert).

Looking ahead to November: of course we are planning for the **Annual Tony Vega Memorial Thanksgiving dinner** on Thanksgiving Day! Watch for news and sign-ups from our team leader, Jon Zilliox, as we will need help with food, donations, decorations, publicity, set up/ etc. Some folks who attended last year’s stellar event are already inquiring — is BUMC hosting a Thanksgiving dinner for the community — of course, our answer is yes!

Christmas Market, just in case you didn’t see the news elsewhere, Fran Markwardt and Abigail Ozanne are the team leaders for BUMC’s market. Watch for news about the event; it will look a lot different than in the past few years, and there will be lots of ways to participate!

GAY MEN’S DISCUSSION GROUP

The Gay Men’s Discussion Group got off to a great start in August. We met for four weeks of conversation with topics including coming out, family and spirituality. For many who attended, this was a wonderful opportunity to build community with one another and to come to understand common life experiences through the eyes of others on the journey. It was also a great chance to laugh together and come to know one another better.

Don’t miss a chance to get in on this experience when the discussion group continues on **Tuesdays, October 5th and 12th**. We will meet at 7:30 pm in the Pillow Room. For more information, contact Herbert Henderson (ma4herbert@yahoo.com or 773.330.6706) or Peter Godard (pgodard@gmail.com or 312.259.6879). All gay men are welcome to join the conversation.

OCTOBER MISSION MINUTE

October's Mission Minute is **Chicago CROP Walk**.



BUMC Members, lend us your EARS because we're about to get CORNY! It's time to sign up for the 2010 CROP Walk! We need your feet and your fundraising skills to raise money for those who don't have enough to eat. The event is **Sunday, October 17th at 1:00 pm** and it's a 10K walk with the option for a 1 mile route. We'd like you to be part of our team of walkers so please contact Diana Davis (davis.diana72@gmail.com) or Carrie Hunker (carriesuzanne@gmail.com) for details. Thanks!

More information can be found at: www.chicagocropwalk.org.

October's Mission Minute Sunday is **October 10, 2010**. However, you can make donations to *CROP Walk* throughout the month. To donate, mark your envelope or check with the Mission Minute. (Make check out to Broadway Church but be sure to mark your donation for *Chicago CROP Walk* or *October Mission Minute*.)

TRUSTEES

Ghosts, Goblins and Spider Webs – Oh My!

Come help at the Fall Work Day on **Saturday, Oct 30 from 9am – 3pm**. Trustees will provide coffee and... lunch and treats (no tricks!). Please join your fellow BUMC'ers for fun and fellowship while we prepare our house for fall celebrations and the upcoming holiday season. Then stay for the Halloween Party that follows (see page 6). Let either Vincent Wiggins or Kathy Wurster know if you can come and help out even for a couple of hours. If you don't see us in church, contact Vincent at wiggins_vincent@yahoo.com or Kathy at kathwurst1@sbcglobal.net.



Painting Friendship Hall

The trustees have come up with a 3 year plan to repaint all of the interior spaces at Broadway. The first part of this plan will be to paint Fellowship Hall which we will do in conjunction with the fall work day. We need 5 or 6 individuals that can help spackle and prepare the walls on **Thursday or Friday night (Oct. 28 or 29)** and/or come paint on the Fall work day on Saturday, Oct 30 (see above). And we will need the whole congregation's help on selecting a color. **On Sundays, October 17 and October 24, there will be two color splashes to choose from and to vote on.** If you are interested in spackling or painting, please contact Kathy Wurster in person or at kathwurst1@sbcglobal.net.

WORSHIP ALIVE! WORKSHOP

Unique opportunity for those interested in worship planning and the interpretation of scripture!

Ever have trouble deciphering scripture and getting to the real message? Ever have trouble thinking of ways to make scripture come alive?

Then you'll want to participate in the next Worship Alive! workshop with Dr. Tom Boomershine, called "Scripture by Heart: Renewal of the Performance of the Scriptures in Worship." Boomershine is the founder of the Network of Biblical Storytellers and renowned for his work in training "readers" to rediscover the vitality of proclaiming scripture in worship. You can read about his work at: www.gotell.org.

You have two chances to participate in this training: **Saturday afternoon, October 23rd**, at the Presbyterian Church of Western Springs OR **Sunday, October 24th**, at the United Church of Rogers Park in Chicago. The workshop is **2:00 to 5:00 pm** both days.

There is no cost to BUMC community members, as the church has committed to sponsoring this workshop and can send as many members as would like to go!

This is a unique opportunity to invest in empowering lay readers, worship planners and enlivening weekly worship. Feel free to contact Mark Bowman, Director of the Worship Alive! series at 773-728-8274, or Broadway's Sam Duplessis, Director of Music and Worship Arts at Duplessis.Sam@gmail.com with any questions.

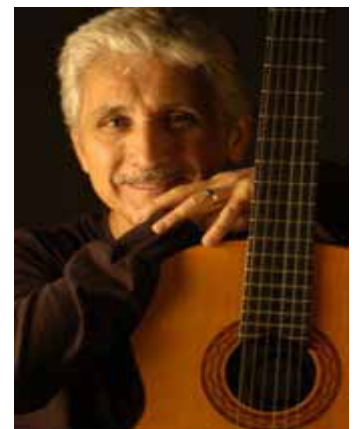
HISPANIC HERITAGE SUNDAY

October 31st: Hispanic Heritage Sunday – Worship in Spanish

11:00 Festival Service: *A Liturgy of Peace* – words & songs of peace & hope

Special Guest: Dr. Osvaldo Vena, Professor of New Testament at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary; he describes his vocation as a way to "help students get excited about the Bible...[and] to ask all kind of questions of the biblical text." Many will remember Osvaldo as our Guest Preacher in last year's Hispanic Worship. This year, he comes to us as he releases the second CD he has produced which is inspired by the poems of children. His first CD, *Still a Dream*, was inspired by Jewish & Arab children; this project comes from the poems of Argentine children living in Buenos Aires.

He writes about the children's words and his songs, "I want to join them, and many others around the world, in a universal cry for harmony and understanding among the peoples of the earth that goes beyond social, ethnic, and religious boundaries. My clamor is just a drop of water in the immensity of the world's needs but if it can benefit even a few children, and make their lives worth living, then it is valid."



FINANCE COMMITTEE

“Grow Your Dreams” Stewardship Minute

(as presented on 9/26/10)

2010 Year-to-Date Totals :

Amount Received: \$160,209

Amount Spent: \$161,226

Amount Budgeted: \$203,215

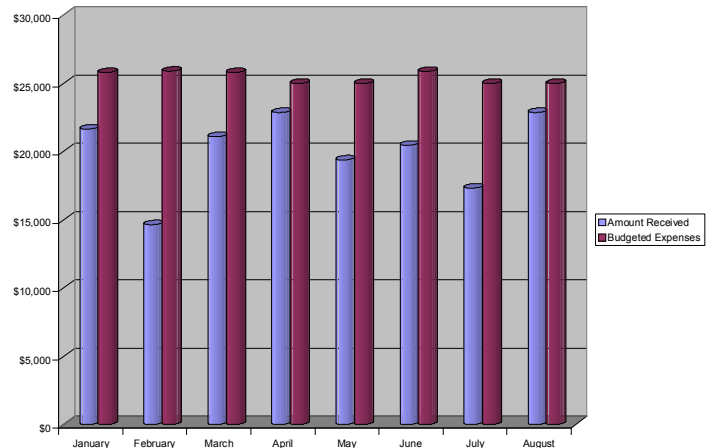
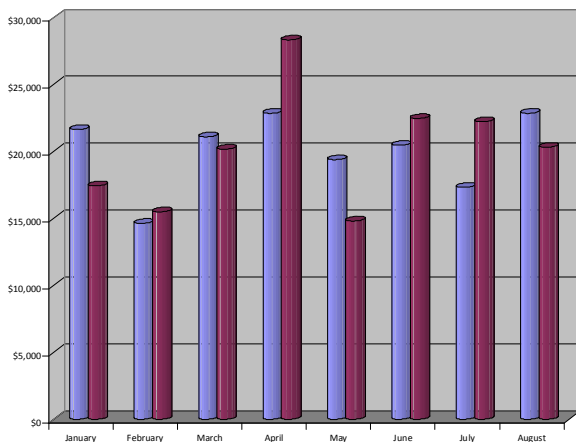


Apportionments — What are they?

- Global Mission Commitments enabled by the combined financial resources of local churches for shared mission and ministries (UMCOR, etc.).
- Each church is responsible for contributing a fair portion or “apportionment.”
- Apportionments enables the United Methodist Church to:
 - Globally spread the love of Jesus Christ
 - Educate clergy (like Hannah, Tricia, and Elina!)
 - Encourage cooperation with other faith communions
 - Nurture historically Black colleges and Africa University
 - And more

We live in a global village, and the world is our parish. When we give generously, our gifts do wonderful, life-changing things in the name of Jesus Christ.

Please help us meet our apportionments!



SAVE THE DATES!

Lakeview Pantry Food Drive

On **Saturday, November 6**, Broadway is having a food drive to benefit the Lakeview Pantry. We will be at the Jewel Food Store on Broadway at Addison **from 9 am — 5 pm**, handing out shopping lists to customers going in and collecting their purchased items on their way out of the store. This is a great opportunity for Broadway to be more visible in our local community, to help out a great organization that serves our local community, and to serve with other Broadway members. The volunteer schedule will be on the sign-up table outside the sanctuary. Lakeview Pantry distributes food, clothing and household goods at two sites in Lakeview 6 days a week, as well as providing home delivery and case management.

Looking Ahead

- November** All Saints' Day celebration on **November 7**
 Market Day/Christmas Fair Trade Bazaar on **November 14**
 Annual Tony Vega Thanksgiving Feast on **Thursday, November 25**
 Advent 1 is **November 28**
- December** Consecration (Pledge) Sunday on **December 5**
 Choir Advent/Christmas Concert on **December 19 at 2pm**
 Christmas Eve is Friday, **December 24 – services at 4:30 & 11 pm**

STEPS FOR EQUALITY

“Taking to heart the adage that no minority group can succeed in its social justice struggles without the help of the majority, *Straightforward* offers a guide to being an ally to gay and lesbian people in these challenging times.” ~ Mary Bonauto

One way we can be an ally is to dress in neutral clothing so that people may question themselves, wondering if we are heterosexual or homosexual. In certain circumstances (when you have white privilege etc.) it is good to identify yourself as straight but not narrow. This book offers a great deal of information that you will enjoy thinking about as you travel the road of a “Justice Seeker.”

Source: *STRAIGHTFORWARD* by Ian Ayres & Jennifer Gerarda Brown, Princeton University Press, Copyright 2005

Contributed by Amy & Dee & Helen

COOKBOOK



Do you remember *The Joy of Sharing*, our last cookbook, printed in 2002? It's time to do another one! We have so many cooks among us and so many new healthy recipes!

Dee and Fran (who both have lots of experience with recipes and food) have agreed to put the new cookbook together. We plan to have a special cookbook that will include our stories and poems, as well as our recipes. We'll need lots of helpers!

We're still getting organized, but we'll have a meeting and instructions for submission soon. Stand by!

HISTORICAL NOTE

May we always find new ways to beautify our sanctuary

"Pulpit Flowers" from *Church News*, May 1918 (excerpt)

This refers to something else besides the flowers that blossom forth in the pastor's sermons. For several years the Ladies' Aid Society has furnished the flowers which have adorned the pulpit stand. It has been a considerable expense and became a routine affair. The Aid, after careful consideration, decided to elevate the matter of flowers to the plane of inspiration and meaning. The privilege of furnishing flowers was accorded to those who desired to commemorate the birth or death of a relative or friend.

It is hoped that this plan will continue to help and bless as well as beautify the sanctuary of our God. Mrs. Thorpe is in charge of the arrangements.

~ submitted by Mark Van Hying, Church Historian

November Newsletter Deadline

Submissions for the **November 2010** issue of *The Broadway* are due **Sunday, October 24th**. Articles in electronic format are preferred and should be sent to broadwayc@ameritech.net. Hard copies may also be submitted in the newsletter mailbox off Friendship Hall.



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