

Broadway Beacon

The Apostle Paul writes in Ephesians 3:8-9,

“Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things.”

Paul had a particularly scandalous calling in the Early Church. As a repentant religious fundamentalist, he saw the error of exclusivity and embarked on a great quest to build bridges between Jewish and Gentile communities in the name of Christ. This was not his idea or a new direction, but the mysterious plan prepared from the beginning. The God of Trinitarian Love and Life began with the end in mind. The plan was always Good Creation — where every story matters, every life has worth, and every child or every age has a home in God’s whole human family.

As we begin our New Year together at Broadway, let us keep the end in mind. We continually pledge ourselves each week to be the family of God for one another in times of joy, sorrow, and challenge. We passed a budget which we believe is how God has called us to steward our resources for missions and ministry in Louisville with our local partners like Family Scholar House, in Kentucky with our work like Extreme Build, and around the earth through CBF Global Missions. We prepare our hearts for the year ahead, and my prayer is that we pause for a moment to dream about who God might be calling us to be over the next few years.

Maybe you are in like me, and the New Year brings a bittersweetness some times. Some years you look back, and you see the incomplete projects and plans left undone. It is okay to feel that way (or any way for that matter, feelings are just there to be felt!)...but there is a better way.

Randall O’Brien, the President of Carson-Newman University, once said, “I have always been discouraged by how little I am able to achieve in a year, but mesmerized by what can be accomplished in five years.” As we plan for this year ahead, let us continue to plant and tend the seeds we have sown. Good things take time, so give yourself the grace of growth—incremental but inevitable.

Our God is a God of long games and slow miracles. The mysterious work of making one human family and teaching us to build bridges rather than walls is slow, steady work. So, as we start a New Year together, let’s begin with the end in mind by seeking first the peaceable Kingdom of God here on earth, in Louisville, and in our homes and neighborhoods in 2019.



Kevin Gardner-Sinclair



CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY



Family night in the Family Life Center

January 3, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

We'll have an open gym for children and their families. Come run around inside (when it'll probably be too cold to run around outside)! And feel free to stick around after for Pickleball from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

FAMILY ADVENT BREAKFAST



Craft Time



The Fucrys



Foster & Bea



The Davis Family



Ritters & Spencers



Storytelling



Coloring



The Washers



Advent Wonderings



Lesley & Lucy



The Kirbys



More Coloring



The Lins



Tom at Work



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Maddie West
joined
December 9, 2018



Andy Lundberg
joined
December 9, 2018



Harrison & Geoffrey
Aberle
Kim & Greg Rash
joined
December 16, 2018



Jennifer, Todd (*not
pictured*),
Kendall & Kyla
Koch
joined
December 16, 2018

Dear Broadway Church Family:

Your hugs, your words of comfort, your beautiful cards and notes -- all have helped sustain us following my mother's death.

Thank you for being the compassionate and caring church family that you are!

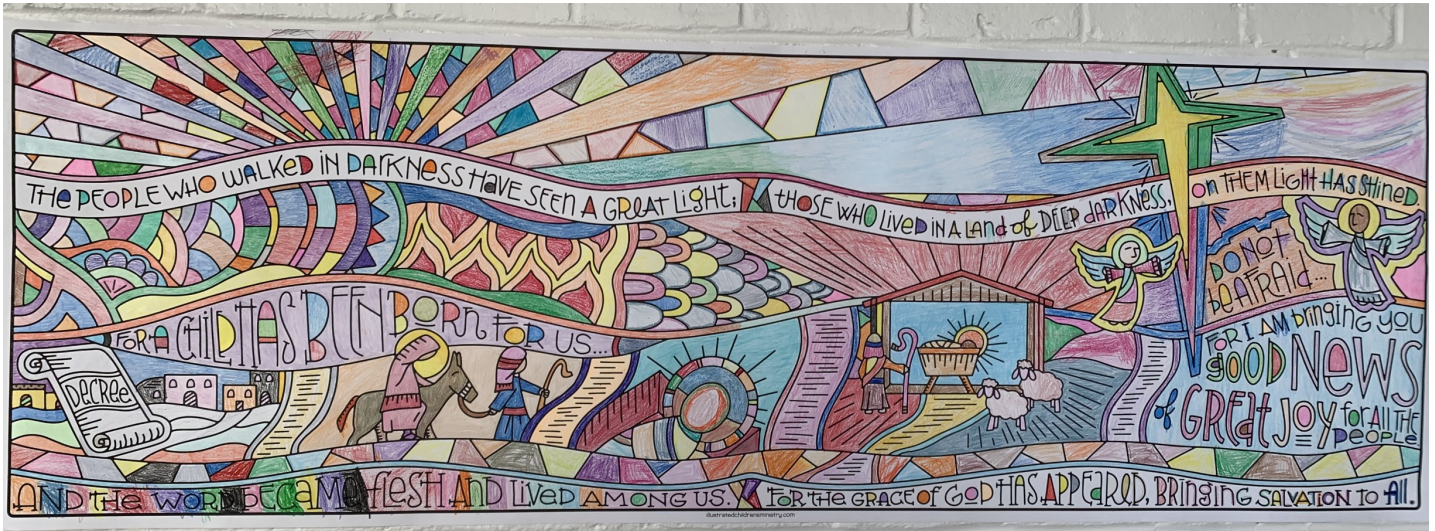
Gratefully,

Carol and Ken Lundberg

(and the family of Anna May Scholla)

Flowers 2019

Many thanks to those who sponsored flowers for our worship services in 2018 through our Flower Ministry. We still have opportunities to sponsor flowers in 2019 on February 3, March 24, June 9, and October 13. If you would like to sponsor a flower arrangement on one of these dates, please contact Nancy Stopher at stopher@bellsouth.net.



Art work colored at the Family Advent Breakfast.



Breaking down food boxes at Cochran Elementary

Thank you to everyone who donated food, angel tree gifts, and warm weather gear to all our Mission Projects this Christmas!



Gifts at Choice's Inc. and food delivery





YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Trivia Night

Saturday, January 19, 5:30 p.m.

Our annual Youth Trivia Night will be Saturday, January 19! Dinner will start at 5:30 p.m., with trivia starting around 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for individuals, or you can sign up for a whole table of 8 for \$80. We will also have our silent auction and dessert bar! Sign up by e-mailing Kristin Belcher at kristin@broadwaybaptist.org or by calling the church office at 502.895.2459.

**Childcare provided for children birth through 5th grade in the Family Life Center.*



Youth fun at the Annual Christmas Party!

Youth Fundraising

Blaze Pizza @ The Paddock Shops

January 22, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Come join us as we enjoy food and fellowship together! Bring a flyer with you and a portion of your meal will help support the Youth's mission trips to North Carolina and Ireland next summer. Please see Kristin Belcher for more information.

Thank you to a great
Christmas Food
Delivery Crew!





LifeTimers



Game Day November 30



All are welcome



Stay tuned for our next Game Day!

Christmas Cheer Party December 7



*94 attendees enjoyed a
wonderful evening*



Beautiful Centerpieces



*Delicious food and delightful
conversation*



Philip and Caitlin Jennings provided excellent entertainment



MUSIC MINISTRY

Did you know?

- The music committee and choir volunteers hosted the KCD Holiday Concert in December. There were over 200 in attendance for the concert
- The following night the music committee and choir volunteers hosted the Louisville Youth Chorus Concert. There were over 500 in attendance.
- A few days later the music committee, several deacons, and members of social committee welcomed over 600 people to BBC for the Louisville Orchestra Holiday Concert.

Thank you to all the volunteers who gave of their time to open the church doors to our community. The music ministry at BBC continues to thrive and serves as a welcoming tool to our music and the arts community.

Jubilate Youth Choir Winter Retreat

The 2019 winter retreat will take place in Atlanta, Georgia from January 18-20. Once again, the choirs will prepare 8 anthems to sing at churches on Sunday morning and evening over the MLK weekend. Then, this summer we will tour for 5 days as we share the message of good news through the gift of song to people and places outside the church walls.

All Choir Rehearsals Resume January 16, 2019

As we begin anew, this winter is a wonderful time to join or rejoin the choirs at BBC. Please speak with Robert if you have any questions.



LOVE IN ACTION

Food donations for Chenoweth Elementary

During the month of January, please donate the following types of items to the bins located in the Atrium, Friendship Hall, and by the office:

Ramen noodles, hearty canned soups or pastas with pull top lids, fruit cups or snacks, granola bars, cereal bars, oatmeal packets, etc.

**please no peanut/peanut butter products, items in glass jars, or outdated food.*



Canasta Night
Friday, January 4
6 pm
RSVP to
terilveal@gmail.com



Tuesday Afternoons 4 - 6 pm
Thursday Evenings 7 - 9pm
Friday mornings 10 - 12 am

Thank you from The West End School

To Everyone at Broadway Baptist Church, This is the season when we focus on blessings and remind ourselves how thankful we are for our supporters. The West End School is so grateful for your continuing interest in the 140 boys on Virginia Avenue. With this many students, everyday is eventful. This summer our 6th graders were able to attend Camp Hi-Ho for a week. For the majority it was their first trip to the country. They were able to swim, fish, horseback ride, go on nature studies and do a variety of craft projects - and get incredibly muddy. The memories of this summer will warm their winter days. Long after they graduate from WES, they will also remember that a remarkable group which sustained them and prayed for them year after year. The knowledge of your faith will keep them going into their future.

Sincerely,
The West End School Family

**Volunteers
needed!!**

We need volunteers in the church office to answer the phone and answer the door. The hours are 2 - 4p.m. Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. If you'd like to help, please contact Mary Lucy Hook at marylucyhook@gmail.com or 502.594.2848.

Hosting Events at Broadway

Are you thinking about having an event at Broadway? If so, you will need to request a reservation. You will find a Request for Event Reservation form online at <http://www.broadwaybaptist.org/reservation-form>. The form must be completed and submitted. Upon receipt, the reservation request is reviewed and you will be notified if your event and time are available. Then the event will be added to the church calendar.

Building use guidelines are available providing information in connection with use of facilities. There is no fee for members with the exception of Sanctuary and Chapel use and sexton fee (if needed). Fee schedule is also available upon request. Fees are required for nonmembers (Broadway mission partners excluded).

Please fill out the online form or any time you plan to use space in the building. If you have further questions, please contact Connie Rogers (building use coordinator) by emailing events@broadwaybaptist.org or calling the church office at 895.2459.

**Calendar reservations for church related meetings and events are made through the staff liaison to each committee or team.*



Deacon Ordination and Installation Service

Wednesday, January 9, 6:15 p.m.

Chapel

The deacons being ordained or installed who will begin service in 2019 are Alix Davidson, Josh Davis, Sharon Davis, John Dotson, Janis Eberenz, Michael Gray, Walter Jones, and Melissa Whitehead.

Wednesday Night Meals Resume at 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night Bible Studies for January 2019

Beginning January 16

5:15 – 5:45 Book of Matthew Bible Study, led by Susan Reed

6:15 – 7:00 Bible Study and Discussion led by Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Wednesday Night Dinner

Wednesday Night Dinner will resume Wednesday, January 9, in Friendship Hall. Please call the church office at 502.895.2459 by 12 p.m. on Tuesday to make a reservation. Any standing reservations made before Christmas still apply.

M E N U	<u>JANUARY 9, 2019</u> CHICKEN FAJITAS MEXICAN RICE REFRIED BEANS SOUTHWEST CAESAR CHIPS AND SALSA ICE CREAM W/CHOCOLATE SAUCE	<u>JANUARY 16, 2019</u> SWISS STEAK MASHED POTATOES STEAMED BROCCOLI PEAR, WALNUT, AND BLUE CHEESE SAL- ADS CARROT CAKE
	<u>JANUARY 23, 2019</u> CHICKEN PICCATA WILD RICE GRILLED VEGETABLE PLATTER CAESAR SALAD FRENCH BREAD CHOCOLATE CANDY CAKE	<u>JANUARY 30, 2019</u> ROASTED PORK TENDERLOINS GREEN BEANS SCALLOPED POTATOES SPINACH AND APPLE SALAD ROLLS FRESH APPLE CAKE



Friends,

December and January are a time of giving thanks, reflection, anticipation and resolution. We look back and reflect on our journey together throughout 2018 and give thanks for God's work in and through us. We have grown together, served together, fellowshiped together, dreamed together, laughed together and grieved together. We have walked alongside each other in the valleys and rejoiced with each other during our mountaintop experiences. I give thanks for what has been and what is yet to be.

At our last deacon meeting of 2018 we approved the expenditure of recent undesignated memorial gifts. These will be used to install a new security system and update our phone system. The families are very pleased with using these gifts for this purpose. Work will occur in January.

If you haven't stopped by the office in a while, please do so and meet Linda Stoll, our part-time administrative assistant. The personnel committee is thankful for the broad experience Linda brings to this position, coupling that experience with a delightful personality and eagerness to meet all of us.

Our decorating team has, once again, decked our church with Christmas beauty both inside and out. The annual church Christmas dinner was truly beautiful and I give thanks for Donna Williams, Connie Rogers, and Tom and Tina Burress for arranging this lovely evening. It was fun having Phillip and Caitlin Jennings with us offering their incredible musical talent and quick humor for our entertainment.

We heard from George Coleman, chair of the Trustees, as he gave us an overview of the responsibilities tasked to our trustees and explained the annual distribution to our trust accounts which have been received early this month.

The deacon officer selection committee headed by Mark Riddle and including Teri Veal and Steve Naiser, presented the deacon officers for 2019. The deacons unanimously approved Tom Burress, Chair; Bob Hook, Vice Chair; Curtis Barman, Secretary; Teri Veal and Sharon Davis, coordinators. Outgoing deacons were thanked and new deacons welcomed. Ordination and installation services for incoming deacons will be Wednesday, January 9.

We continue to be blessed by our ministers, our teachers, our choirs and all those who serve our church and our community. I am constantly reminded of Ron's words from Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future", throughout our transition and give thanks for all of you and your steadfast commitment to our church.

We have much to anticipate for 2019 as we endeavor to keep doing what we do best and embrace change as needs arise. Kevin shared with the deacons during his minister report that in his first 77 days as our pastor he has learned three things about Broadway. *1. We love our church, 2. We love our community, 3. We love each other.*

May our resolution for 2019 be that we continue to do just that. Happy New Year, wonderful Broadway!

Blessings

Debby Griffin

January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 5 - 7 pm open gym for children and families 7 - 9 pm pickleball	4 10-12 am pickleball 6 pm Canasta Night	5
6	7	8 4 - 6 pm pickleball	9 5:30 pm Wednes- day dinner 6:15 Deacon Ordination	10 7 - 9 pm pickleball	11 10-12 am pickleball	12
13	14	15 4 - 6 pm pickleball	16 "Regular" Wednesday Schedule Resumes	17 7 - 9 pm pickleball	18 10-12 am pickleball	19 5:30 pm Trivia Night Fundraiser
20	21	22 4 - 6 pm pickleball 5-8 pm Blaze Pizza Fundraiser	23	24 7 - 9 pm pickleball	25 10-12 am pickleball	26
27	28	29 4 - 6 pm pickleball	30	31 7 - 9 pm pickleball		



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