

A Letter from the Pastor...

Dear Broadway,

The royal prayer in 2 Chronicles 20:12 recently caught my eye. Before all of Jerusalem, King Jehoshaphat prays, "Lord, we do not know what to do, but our eyes are on You." We might all wince at a Head of State or CEO who rose to a podium to declare: "I have no plan, but trust me; God will give me one soon!" As people of faith, we know the importance of those "leap of faith" moments, but we also value the necessity of prayer, study, and preparation. The beginning of a new year offers us an opportunity to reflect and dream together. On one hand, we reflect by revisiting our hopes, goals, and growth over the past twelve months. On the other hand, we dream about the year before us as we assess the needs ahead and discern the gifts among us.

We have an embarrassment of riches at Broadway. The gifts and talents of our people for mission and ministry are astounding and diverse like the God who granted us them in the first place. Structurally, we strive to make the best use of these gifts through the work of our committees. Committees often get a bad rap or at least a sarcastic eye roll. To be honest, I think this is often an unfair assessment of committee work.

In my ministry experience, when committees have 1) clear, regular communication, 2) open, honest dialogue, and 3) plenty of time to creatively dream and constructively plan, very little can stop a group of Baptists from making a meaningful difference in the world. Baptists (at our best) are Christ-led, Spirit-inspired, congregationally-empowered, missionally-minded, and free-thinking.

This January 12, we host our first All-Committee Planning Lunch. The goal of this gather will be 1) to introduce the committees to each other, 2) reflect on the state of the church together, and 3) have time to dream and plan for the year ahead. Then, at our February Business Meeting, the Committee Chairs will share reports on the good work they will be undertaking in 2020. I hope you will join me in praying for our committees as they begin their work this year, and also thanking Melissa Whitehead and the Nominating Committee for our 2020 slate of committee members. We cannot yet know what ideas, creativity, or goals will come from a gathering like this, but our eyes are on God's good future.

May God grant us all wisdom, creativity, and courage as we walk together into 2020.

Happy New Year,

Pastor Kevin

MUSIC MINISTRY

Choirs

If you placed joining a choir on your New Year's resolution list or it just happens to be on your bucket list, the month of January is a great time to get started! Check out the choir schedules below to see where you can plug in to the music ministry at BBC. We look forward to seeing new faces, as well as familiar ones, this month!

Sundays: Noon Children's Choir

Wednesdays: 6:15 p.m. Preschool and Children's Choirs

6:15 p.m. Chancel Bells

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir



Thank you to all the choir members of all ages and their directors for their excellent leadership and participation in our worship services during the Advent season. Truly, your musical offerings enhanced our worship experiences and we are grateful.

Congregational Singing

Once again, we sang over 150 hymns throughout the year in our various worship experiences in the sanctuary, chapel, and friendship hall. Hopefully, you had the opportunity to sing some of your favorite hymns, perhaps learned a few new ones, and experienced the presence of God through the art of congregational song. A special word of thanks to Glenna Metcalfe and Jennifer Harberson for their leadership from the organ and piano throughout the year!







Youth serving at Jeff Street



Youth Christmas Party







Youth delivering food

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Family Advent Breakfast 2019

























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A Letter from the Deacon Chair...



Dear Friends,

Your deacon body and other committees have teamed with the staff at Broadway during 2019 to accomplish several goals during the year. Following are a few of these team accomplishments:

- •The non-ministerial staff has been re-structured to better serve Broadway's needs. This has been accomplished with the additions of Craig, Candace and Tim. This was only possible due to the team work of the ministers and Scott Kimbell. However, it was expedited because of the awesome work of Sarah and James. Make sure you thank them every time you see them...they really stepped up their accountability.
- •A new roof has been installed on almost the entire building. The cost of this endeavor, covered completely by an insurance claim, was over \$551,000! This was due to Scott and the building committee working closely with the contractor to properly submit the damage claim, and with Craig overseeing the completion of the project.
- •We have put plans in place to properly celebrate our 150th anniversary. This is all due to the leadership of Christy Cox and team.
- •We now have cameras surveilling almost all of the perimeter of the building. We also have installed a new phone system at minimal incremental cost.
- •Thanks primarily to the efforts of Scott and Sarah we have significantly lowered several contract costs such as elevator maintenance, copier lease and trash bills.
- •One change made with the deacon body is the combination of the hospital visitation and transition care ministry groups into the Care Team. With hospital visits often very short these days, we were often finding it a challenge to minister to people when they were in the hospital. By combining these groups we are able to assign a deacon as soon as we are notified that a member is in the hospital or experiencing other health concerns and follow up with them throughout the recovery.

These are just a few examples of the great things going on at Broadway. There is a positive team spirit not only with the deacons and ministers, but throughout the entire congregation. We have some exciting years of growth and ministry ahead of us. I encourage you to say yes anytime you are asked to volunteer.

It has been a privilege to serve as your deacon chair this year, but I now turn this humbling responsibility over to the capable hands of Dr. Walter Jones. Please make sure you offer your prayers and support to Walter and all of the deacons. They work tirelessly on your behalf to advance the mission of Broadway.

Yours in Christ,

Tom Burress

BROADWAY REMEMBERS...

In 1975, it was my privilege to be ordained as one of the first two women deacons at Broadway Baptist Church. Waneta Shell shared this honor with me. Today we have many women deacons, but at that time, it was a radical move on the part of the church leadership.—Phyllis McCoy, excerpt, *Broadway Remembers*, 2001

"Believing as we do that women should be equal partners in the ministry of the church, and that few Baptist churches acknowledged this, the ordination of Alice as deacon, for the first time in her life, was an unforgettable moment in our history together. I had baptized and performed the marriages of each of our three children, but something

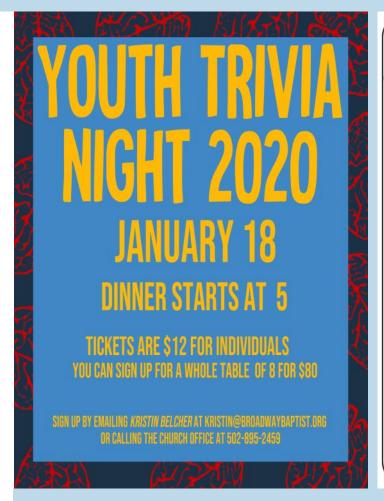


very special transpired for me as I joined with others, men and women, in laying hands of the church upon my partner of almost 40 years at that time. I shall always be grateful that at Broadway Baptist Church such was possible and still is."—Bill Marshall, excerpt, *Broadway Remembers*, 2001

UPCOMING EVENTS









Canasta Night Friday, February 7 6:00 p.m.

Broadway Baptist Church Family Tife Center

4000 Brownsboro Road

\$5 donation, drinks snacks, and desserts provided.

All proceeds to benefit upcoming women's mission opportunity

To RSVP, email Teri Veal at teriveal5@gmail.com



PRESENTED LYNDON BAPTIST CHURCH THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020 6:00-8:00 P.M.

8025 New Lagrange Road Louisville, Kentucky 40222

- Lyndon Area RestaurantsSilent Auction
- Live Music

\$20.00 In advance \$25.00 at the door

All proceeds go to the **Baptist Habitat for Humanity House**

For Tickets and more information visit 3rd Annual Taste of Lyndon on Facebook and Eventbrite

Call (502) 425-7150 www.Lyndonbaptist.com



A cordial invitation to join us

Spring Luncheon



Saturday, March 21 11 a.m.

You are invited to:

- * Reserve a ticket as a single guest (\$25)
- * Decorate a table and express your creativity!
- * Purchase and fill a table of 8 (\$200)







Wednesday Night Dinners

January 8

Chicken Fajitas
Mexican Rice
Refried Beans
Southwest Caesar
Chips and Salsa
Ice Cream w/ Chocolate Sauce
and Cinnamon Chips

January 15

Swiss Steak Mashed Potatoes Steamed Broccoli Pear, Walnut, and Blue Cheese Salads Carrot Cake

January 22

Chicken Piccata Wild Rice Grilled Vegetable Platter Caesar Salad French Bread Chocolate Candy Cake

January 29

Roasted Pork Tenderloins Green Beans Scalloped Potatoes Spinach and Apple Salad Rolls Fresh Apple Cake

Wednesday, January 8

5:30 - Dinner Line opens

6:15 - Bible Study, led by Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

Wednesday, January 15

5:15 - Spiritual Practices & Discipleship, led by Susan Reed

5:45 - Dinner Line opens

6:15 - Bible Study, led by Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

6:15 - Elementary Missions, led by Kristin Belcher

Wednesday, January 22

5:15 - Spiritual Practices & Discipleship, led by Susan Reed

5:45 – Dinner Line opens

6:15 - Bible Study, led by Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

6:15 – Elementary Missions, led by Kristin Belcher

Wednesday, January 29

5:15 – Spiritual Practices & Discipleship, led by Susan Reed

5:45 - Dinner Line opens

6:15 - Bible Study, led by Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

6:15- Elementary Missions, led by Kristin Belcher

Deacon Ordination and Installation Service

Please join us for a service of Ordination and Installation of the deacons beginning service in 2020. The service will be held at 6:15 in the chapel on Wednesday, January 8. The deacons being ordained are: Charlie Baker, Lesley Lester, Grace McCoy, and Brittany Ritter. The deacons being installed are Christy Cox, Ken Lundberg, Robin Riddle, and Bob Stopher.

Holiday Closing

The church campus will be closed Wednesday, January 1 in observance of the New Year's Holiday.

Love in Action Bin Collection

"Blessings in a Backpack" food donations for Chenoweth Elementary.

This year we are helping to feed 40 children each weekend! 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.

All-Committee Planning Lunch

All 2020 committee members are invited to a planning lunch on January 12. Kevin will share a short presentation on the state of the church with a charge to the committees. The majority of our time will be spent dreaming and brainstorming, potentially having some cross-committee collaboration, and goal-setting for the year ahead. Join us for this great opportunity to eat, think, and be merry!

January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
				7 pm Pickleball		
5	6	7	8 Deacon Ordination	9 7 pm Pickleball	10	11
12 All Committee Lunch	13	14	15 "Regular" Wednesday Schedule	16 7 pm Pickleball	17	18 Youth Trivia Night
19	20	21	22 "Regular" Wednesday Schedule	23 7 pm Pickleball	24	25
26	27	28	29 "Regular" Wednesday Schedule	30 7 pm Pickleball	31	I

Inclement Weather Closing Policy

Broadway Baptist Church is concerned with the safety and well-being of all of its members and employees. From time to time, inclement weather may necessitate cancelling worship or other scheduled activities, and/or closing the church office. In such instances, the Pastor and/or the Church Administrator will determine whether conditions warrant such cancellations or closings.

Notifications of cancellations or scheduled changes will be communicated to members via REACH Alert notices and posts on social media.

Exciting News!

A new Pictorial Directory will be compiled in 2020! Pictures will be taken May 8, 9, and 13. More information coming soon on how to sign up!

Year End Giving Statements

Year End Giving Statements for 2019 will be mailed out by January 25th. We appreciate all your contributions and support given during the year. Please check your giving statement closely to ensure that your contributions have been applied correctly. If you have any questions on your statement, please contact the church finance office at 502.895.2459.

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