

Broadway Beacon

BROADWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

APRIL 2021

Beloved Broadway,

As Spring blossoms break open around us, there is newness in the air of Louisville. At the center of our worshiping life together throughout Lent is this reminder from the Apostle Paul in 2 Corinthians 5, "Everything has become new!" Along with the signs of Spring, we see a downward trend in the number of Covid cases, hospitalizations, and deaths here in Jefferson County. We are not through the woods, but I give thanks today for the creativity of our Creator in the miracle of Spring. I give thanks for the creativity of our Creator in our minds which imagine modern medicine. I give thanks for the creativity of our Christ who transforms Holy Week sorrows to Easter Sunday joy. Today, I offer a prayer of gratitude to God for resurrection, vaccinations, and daffodils.

As we turn our hearts towards Holy Week, we join Jesus on the long road to Calvary. I would like to take a moment to highlight a few steps on our journey. There is more information in this newsletter, but allow me to touch on the highlights of Holy Week:

On Monday and Tuesday, the Sanctuary will be open and the Labyrinth laid for you to come and reflect in the stillness and silence many of us crave in a world which cannot quiet the chaos.

On Wednesday, we invite you to join us virtually for an important conversation on Faith, Mental Health, and the importance of taking time to speak aloud the struggles in our inner lives to others.

On Maundy Thursday in front of the Sanctuary steps, the Lord's Supper Table will be set and blessed for Communion for anyone and everyone who comes to break bread.

On Good Friday, we invite you to experience the Stations of the Cross in meaningful virtual meditation available on our website.

On glorious Easter morn, we will gather in God's good creation to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus on the grounds at Broadway. Folding chairs will be provided on the pavement, and camping chairs and picnic blankets are welcome on the grass. With Brass and Gospel, we will proclaim once again that all things are becoming new, as the late W. S. Coffin declared, "Despite appearances, it is an Easter World."

We hope to see you soon. Until then, may God's love guide you through these times with wisdom and courage.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Kevin

HOLY WEEK INFORMATION



On **Maundy Thursday**, April 1 in front of the Sanctuary steps, the Lord's Supper Table will be set and blessed for Communion from 4:30 until 7:30 with Pastor Kevin. Family groups and clusters are welcome to share together at the Table.

Drive-up Communion will be available from 4:30-6:00 for those who wish to remain in their car.

From 6:00 to 7:00, come receive Communion by walk-up only while Kim Tichenor, (violinist from the Louisville Orchestra,) plays for those who wish to partake in the elements during a time of musical meditation.

You are welcome as the Lord's Table will be set and open for all.

Good Friday Virtual Service will be available on our website Friday, April 2. A printed guide will be available for pick-up at the church on Thursday, April 1. If you have any questions, please contact Kristin at kristin@broadwaybaptist.org.



OUTDOOR EASTER SUNDAY MAP

Chancel
Brass
Radio in Car
BBC Chairs
Camp Chairs / Blankets
Parking (Add't @ FLC & FH)

The radio signal to listen in the car is 87.9 FM

BROADWAY BAPTIST CHURCH PRESENTS:
HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Mon 3/29	Tue 3/30	Wed 3/31	Thur 4/1	Fri 4/2	Sat 4/3	Sun 4/4
OPEN SANCTUARY & LABYRINTH	OPEN SANCTUARY & LABYRINTH	UNMASKING MENTAL HEALTH WEBINAR	MAUNDY THURSDAY OUTDOOR COMMUNION	VIRTUAL GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE	HOLY SATURDAY	EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

OPEN SANCTUARY: On Monday from 12-7 and Tuesday from 9-12 the sanctuary will be open for anyone who would like to come sit and pray in silence. Masks are required as well as social distancing.

LABYRINTH: Weather permitting we will also have a prayer labyrinth outside in the parking lot during these times. A written guided prayer will also be available online and in the sanctuary.

UNMASKING MENTAL HEALTH: WHAT COUNSELING IS (AND ISN'T!) WITH LESLIE, LESLIE, AND NORA

Join us for a Webinar on March 31 at 6:30 to hear from three practicing therapists in our orbit: Dr. Leslie Townsend (BBC's Pastoral Counselor), Leslie Cashion (Marriage and Family Therapist), and Nora Gardner-Sinclair (Trauma Therapist). We will be discussing counseling, misconceptions, why mental health matters, and how it connects to our faith journey.

MAUNDY THURSDAY OPEN FOR ALL COMMUNION: From 4:30 until 7:30 on Maundy Thursday, April 1 in front of the Sanctuary steps, the Lord's Supper Table will be set and blessed for drive-up or walk-up Communion. From 6:00 to 7:00, Kim Tichenor, violinist from the Louisville Orchestra, will play for those who wish to partake in that time of reflection and meditation.

VIRTUAL GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: (Stations of the Cross) will be available on our website Friday, April 2 at 8:00am.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP: Join us virtually online starting at 8:00 or outdoors on the Broadway grounds at 11:30 to celebrate the Resurrection of Christ on Easter Sunday. Our guest musicians for the morning will be from the Kentucky Brass. If you are joining in your car, tune to 87.9.



After a year when we have not been able to be present in our building, we have been reminded that church is not brick and mortar, but a group of people sharing God's love in the world. We have worshiped in new ways, shared community even when we are separated and have continued to share God's love with others. We have also been reminded that the spaces within our building represent so much more than what happens there. Those spaces are a representation of how God is at work through Broadway and throughout the world.

This guided prayer can be used as a walk around the church grounds, or you can imagine each space as you pray. As you walk or imagine each space, think of people and things that come to your mind for which you might want to pray. Ask for God's guidance as you spend time in prayer.

The Prayer Garden

This is a place where people come to seek peaceful quiet in the beauty of God's creation.

Thank God for Creation and for times of stillness and peace.

The Office Entrance

Many people come through these doors - Postal workers, maintenance workers, people from the community, those who come in need of assistance, and those who come for groups that meet inside the church.

Pray for the many workers in our community who help keep Louisville running smoothly.



Sanctuary Doors

This is a place where we come together to worship God.

Praise God for God's goodness, mercy and love.

Ask God to help make the words of your mouth and the meditations of your heart pleasing to God.

Chapel Doors

The chapel is a space where we honor many moments in life. We have had weddings, funerals, and ordain new deacons in this space among other elements of worship and life.

Take time to remember those who are going through change in life (changes that cause celebration and changes that can cause grief.)

Pray for those going through times of change.

Friendship Hall Doors

This is space used for the community within our congregation and used for the community at large.

Take time to pray for those within our church and for the many ways we are engaged with others in our city and in our world.

Family Life Center Doors

This is space used for fun, exercise, and Sunday School (and many more things).

Thank God for the ability to grow, learn and spend time with others.

Ask God to help you know places where you need to grow in your life.

On Maundy Thursday, April 1, Kim Technor will be playing the violin as people walk up to receive communion at the front of the sanctuary steps from 6-7pm

On Resurrection Sunday, April 4, the Kentucky Brass and timpanist Jim Rago will be leading us in our outdoor service at 11:30am located at the east parking lot of the church.

With the start of Spring, both the Sanctuary piano and organ were tuned this past week.

Extreme Build Upcoming Project

We are going back to McCreary County Kentucky for Extreme Build 2021!

Our 2021 home partner is Lika Hall and her two boys below, Augustus and Oliver, who currently live in Whitley City.

Lika works at the Shell Express convenience store in Pine Knot. The family currently lives in an older model mobile home that they rent. They are very excited to move into their own home!

Our 15th home will be built the week of June 14 – 18, very close to several other Extreme Build families within Whitley City.

If you are interested in coming down to this beautiful part of our state for 1 day or all 5, we would love to have you!

Please contact Sharon Davis for more information at sdavis217@gmail.com or 502.939.4682





Even though the church is not yet fully open, the Grounds Committee invites you to stroll around our beautiful property. The Prayer Garden is always available to sit and contemplate, or watch our donated plants and flowers grow. Paint a rock and leave it there as witness to a prayer offered.

We have 4 new trees:

A pink Dogwood in the west parking lot island and a Crepe Myrtle (coming soon) to the left of the sanctuary, both donated in memory of Tommy Smith.

A Norway Spruce given by George and Francie Coleman in memory of their parents, Foster and Autheilia Coleman, and J.L. and Lois Hardin.

A pink Dogwood in the Prayer Garden, donated in memory of Jeff Stamper.

With the help of Patrick Johnson Landscaping, the grounds are in the best shape in years. But small work still needs to be done. We will have a Clean-Up day in April to weed and trim. Watch the weekly newsletter for exact day and time. Everyone welcome!

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who participated in March Trivia! Special thanks to our Trivia Master, Curtis Barman!!



Dear Fellow Broadway Members,

As I sit down to write this message, it is a beautiful first Sunday of Spring! Spring reminds us of the opportunity for new beginnings. I was one of the Deacons who served this Sunday for our in person worship in the sanctuary. Rev. Susan Reed read today from Psalm 51, in which David asked God to create in him (and us) a clean heart and to put a new and right spirit within him (us). What a beautiful Spring Sunday to consider what God can do in us and through us.

We are grateful for the work of our team of Ministers who not only prepare for this in person worship service, but also work together to prepare an online service for so many members and others who are able to worship in that manner.

In January, I wrote of the hope and promise of the new year. At that time, we were experiencing a dramatic spike in COVID 19 cases, which lead the Task Force to determine that it was not safe for us to gather together for indoor in person worship. The hope I had for the new year has come to fruition as we moved into late Winter and now early Spring. Since the time of my last article, the spike has peaked and subsided, and the Task Force determined that we would be able to gather in person, using recommended safety precautions such as wearing masks and social distancing. We are grateful for that opportunity to gather together. Now, we look forward to an in person Easter Sunday service for those who are able to attend.

Still, we are mindful of protecting ourselves and others as this pandemic remains a concern. So, we are thankful for so many teachers who lead virtual Sunday School classes each Sunday. Today, in our Sunday School class, Sharon Davis lead us in a discussion about the ministry of so many in our church who participate in Habitat for Humanity and in Extreme Build. Thank you to those of you who have served in so many ways over the years of this ministry.

As I mentioned in my last article, the Deacon body continues to meet each month. At this time, our meetings remain virtual. But, we continue to serve and are all available should you have questions or concerns.

May the blessings of renewal and new opportunities be yours this Spring!

John L. Dotson, Deacon Chair



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	2 <i>Good Friday</i>	3 <i>Holy Saturday</i>
4 <i>Easter Outdoor Service</i>	5	6	7 <i>Online Bible Study</i>	8	9	10
11 <i>Online Sunday School Worship</i>	12 <i>Deacon's Meeting</i>	13	14 <i>Mental Health Seminar</i>	15	16	17
18 <i>Online Sunday School Worship</i>	19	20	21 <i>Online Bible Study</i>	22	23	24
25 <i>Online Sunday School Worship</i>	26	27	28 <i>Online Bible Study</i>	29	30	

Missions Sale Update

The Missions Sale will not be held this spring as we have done most years, for obvious reasons. We are currently planning for a fall sale. In the meantime, we are able to accept donations of merchandise. Please contact Mary Jackson (502-221-0169) or another member of the team to coordinate a time for a drop off. As in recent years, we prefer not to accept clothing. Most everything else is fair game! Thanks for your continued support of Deaf Teen Quest and Partners in Development, Zambia. The pandemic has been hard on all of our ministry partners.

We currently have 6 Adult Sunday School classes meeting on Zoom each Sunday. If you're interested in joining one of these Sunday School classes, please contact Susan at susanr@broadwaybaptist.org

Graduation Recognition

At the end of May we will be recognizing all our Broadway members who are graduating from high school, college, or graduate school. If you are graduating this year, please send the following information to Kristin

at kristin@broadwaybaptist.org by May 5th:

- Name as you would like it to appear
- Name of the school from which you are graduating
- Future plans
- Recent picture of grad

Raise the Roof Event Follow Up



BBC helped build our twenty-ninth home for Habitat for Humanity. Our very own Sharon Davis and Conway Stone helped “Raise the Roof” on a home for Adam Jalab and his five children. They worked on the home on March 11-13. The home broke ground March of 2021 in partnership with the Baptist Churches of Louisville. There will be a Ladies Paint Day coming this April (date TBA). To the sponsors and volunteers who will help build the family’s home, Adam shared the following message: “I appreciate and am so thankful for you. A new home means a safe and stable place to live and love. My kids are most looking forward to playing in our new backyard. They love basketball, football and soccer and I’m very happy that we’ll finally have a yard to play these sports.” The house will be done in May!



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