

# Broadway & Beacon

BROADWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 2019

## Disciple Now!

In November, the youth took part in our annual Disciple Now Weekend. Our theme was 'Justice League'. We learned how Jesus sought justice and explored ways we can seek justice within our own community. We volunteered with the Food Literacy Project at their Iroquois Park Urban Farm and learned how they are helping to create food justice in the city of Louisville. It was a great weekend of fun, laughter, learning, worship and service. Thank you to all helped make it a success! We have a wonderful group of youth and I am thankful to be able to serve alongside them. –Kristin



### YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Come shop at Just Creations on Frankfort Avenue from 6:00– 8:00 p.m. on Monday, December 9.

The youth group receives 15% of all purchases. The address is **2722 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, KY 40206**

### UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

**December 8:** Serve lunch at Jeff St.

**December 15:** Youth Christmas Party

**December 21:** Youth Food Donation

Delivery @ Cochran Elementary

**Save the Date!**

**Trivia Night Fundraiser**

Saturday January 18

Begins at 5:00 p.m.



## Advent Calendar

Our Advent theme for 2019 is *The Gifts of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love as Seen Through the Eyes of Our Mission Partners*. We will hear inspirational stories from our partnerships as we travel along our advent journey. In addition, during the offertory element of our worship services, we will bring our gifts and place them on and around the visual arts display located down by the pulpit.

We will continue to use the color of Advent blue. The blue of Advent is meant to inspire in us the hope, expectation, and anticipation of the coming of Christ. Symbolically, it encourages us to keep watch for the promised light of Christ: the one who changes night into day, darkness into light, and enriches our lives with hope, peace, joy, and love.

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| Sunday, December 1   | Hanging of the Green Service, 11 a.m.   |
| Sunday, December 8   | Second Sunday of Advent, Peace<br>We bring gifts of for children on the Angel Tree  |
| Sunday, December 15  | Third Sunday of Advent, Joy<br>Chancel Choir sings The Vivaldi Gloria,<br>Accompanied by a Chamber Orchestra<br>We bring gifts of food and nutrition for Cochran Elementary |
| Tuesday, December 17 | Louisville Orchestra Concert, 7 p.m.<br>No tickets required but seating will be limited   |
| Sunday, December 22  | Fourth Sunday in Advent, Love<br>We bring gifts of warmth and supplies for Samaritan Patrol   |
| Tuesday, December 24 | Candlelight Communion Services 5:30 p.m. and 11 p.m.<br>We bring the gift of our hearts to the Christ Child   |

**Broadway Baptist Church Presents:**

*Louisville Orchestra  
Holiday Concert*

**December 17th  
7:00 p.m.**







## CHRISTMAS MEDITATION

**Tuesday, December 10, 11:00 a.m.**  
 Join us for our annual Christmas Meditation service and experience a peaceful, spiritual break in the holiday season. Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair will lead the meditation in Gheen's Chapel. Lunch will be served in Friendship Hall following the service. Please call the church office by December 5th to make your lunch reservation.



## YEAR-END CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2019

Please make sure that your final year end contributions for 2019 are either:

- Placed in offering plate by Dec. 29
- Dropped off in the church office by Dec. 31
- Mailed and Postmarked by Dec. 31

Anything received or postmarked after December 31st will be considered a 2020 offering. If you are making a prepayment for your 2020 pledge, please be sure to clearly note that on your check. If you have any questions on your remaining pledge balance, please contact Sarah Sanders in the church office.

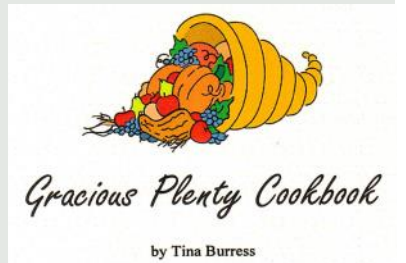


## BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Back by popular demand, The Gracious Plenty Cookbook will be available for sale in early November. Reserve your copy today by calling the church office at 895.2459. This is a deluxe edition of Tina Burress' 2 cookbooks combined into one. The price is \$18. Makes a wonderful Christmas gift.

Also, available will be the Christmas Cookie Cookbook, previously published a few years ago. Cookie recipes from years of Broadway's Christmas Cookie Exchanges have been compiled and is available for \$15. It is chocked full of delicious recipes, many from members no longer with us. Reserve your copy today by calling the church office at 895.2459. Another great Christmas gift idea.

All proceeds from these 2 cookbooks go to Broadway's Kitchen Fund. This fund helps supplement the annual kitchen budget, for instance by purchasing a new freezer a few years ago. Tina Burress donates her cookbook so all sales from the Gracious Plenty Cookbook go to this fund.



## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Would you like to sponsor a floral arrangement for Sunday morning worship in 2020? There are several dates available. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Stopher ([stopher@bellsouth.net](mailto:stopher@bellsouth.net) or 895-1913). The costs are: \$65 for regular Sundays, \$80 (2 @ \$40) for Communion Sundays.



When I was little, my mom instituted a sacred rule starting annually after Halloween: nothing but essentials until Christmas. The indulgence of a trick-or-treating sweet-tooth was tempered by learning to patiently wait for the advent of the Christ child. If I saw a game or toy I wanted, my mom would gracefully remind me, “Wait until Christmas. This season is about giving not getting.” Mary Lou was, as per usual, correct.

While we did not observe Advent in my little Southern Baptist church (I wasn’t introduced to the Liturgical Calendar until college), I believe my mom still successfully taught us the most important lesson of this season which Winston Churchill expressed well:

“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

At Broadway this Advent, we will be learning about our mission partners and how our giving blesses lives all year long. Christmas brings a spike in charitable giving and awareness in our culture, but as a church of Jesus Christ our gestures of generosity and justice are bound to no single season. Advent is traditionally a preparatory season in the Church Calendar. Like Lent prepares us for Easter, Advent is a time to reflect on the “not-yet-ness” of our faith and the call to continue to labor faithfully in our love for God and for neighbor. During this season of Advent we will be reflecting on how what the Gifts of Advent look like through the eyes of our mission partners.

A fresh pair of socks for our neighbors surviving the cold on our streets.

Groceries to warm the homes and bellies of elementary-age children.

An unexpected present to brighten a child’s Christmas morning.

These are the Gifts of Advent we are invited to give. May God grant you and your loved ones hope, peace, joy, and love this holiday season,

Pastor Kevin

## SALE OF ORNAMENTS FOR 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Ornaments to commemorate our 150th Anniversary are on sale now! They will be on sale throughout the month of December after the Sunday morning service in either the Atrium or Friendship Hall and on select Wednesday nights. They make wonderful gifts for family or for people that grew up at Broadway, were dedicated, baptized or married in our beautiful sanctuary. Be sure to get this special keepsake to hang on your tree year after year.



## DID YOU KNOW... ?

“I would like to stand in the pulpit at Broadway and look out at the members and say-I know something GOOD about each and every one of you!”—Martha York, excerpt, Broadway Remembers, 2001

“The people of Broadway are not afraid to struggle with the tough questions of biblical interpretation, theological understandings or ethical controversy. Such openness is possible only with maturity in faith that is eager to grow together better understandings in the face of mystery and uncertainty. Broadway allows any question to be asked while knowing that many have no answer.”—Paul Simmons, excerpt, Broadway Remembers, 2001





# RECREATION TEAM



For some of us, Thursday nights used to consist of “Must See TV”...”Friends,” “Seinfeld,” “The Big Bang Theory”, “The Office,” “ER”; the list goes on and on. Since October 2018, it’s become pickleball (and fellowship) night in the FLC. By my count, we’ve had over 70 different people join us for a game or two games of pickleball. And just like a popular potato chip, once these folks played a game of pickleball, they kept wanting more (a whole lot more).



We’ve seen a LOT of new faces this season – many of whom are now regulars every Thursday night. To this end, we recently opened up a third court for play – and it could not have come as a better time as we had 16 folks (Broadway members, guests, and true “visitors” come out for play that night. As your Recreation Team Coordinator, I can’t tell you how much joy it brings me to watch folks “mix and mingle” as teammates – regardless of age, gender, skill level, or who they know and/or who they came in the door with that evening. And the fellowship that ensues....that’s just icing on the cake!

Wanna be part of a small group with the added benefit of exercise that you can report to your doctor? Give pickleball a try. First timers and all skill levels are welcome – in fact, YOU are the ones that we want to see! The gym doors are open every Thursday night at 7:00 PM. Play until your heart’s content...I’ll turn off the lights and lock the doors after everyone has left. Shoot...I’ll even ask that we partner up that night for a game.– Curtis Barman



## CHRISTMAS CHEER DINNER COMING SOON!

Friday December 6, 6:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall. Hurry and make your reservation for this special evening. Christmas time is here so come enjoy the entertainment of Aaron Weaver and friends, and a delicious Gracious Plenty Meal. Deadline for reservation and payment is Sunday, December 1st. Contact Donna Williams at 502-774-0515 or the church office at –502-895-2459.





# WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS

## December 4

Pork Tenderloin

Cheese Grits

Asparagus

Seven Layer Salad

Bread

Yellow Cake w/ Caramel Frosting

## December 11

Turkey Tetrazzini

Roasted Vegetables

Garden Salad

Kentucky Bluegrass Salad

French Bread

Red Velvet Cake

## Wednesday, December 4

5:15 – Advent Study 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, December 11

5:15 – Advent Study led by Susan Reed

5:45 – Dinner Line opens

6:15 – Bible Study, led by Kevin Gardner-Sinclair, Friendship Hall and music from the preschool/kindergarten choir

## Wednesday Night Dinners Announcement

There will be no Wednesday Night Dinner Activities for the following dates: December 18, 25, and January 1. Activities will resume on January 8th.

## 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.

## 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.*

## CHRISTMAS FOOD DONATIONS

Each year Broadway collects non-perishable items for Christmas food baskets. The youth sort these items, add in perishable items, deliver the food to Cochran Elementary, and help distribute the food to families in need. The donations, sorting, packing, and delivery combine the efforts of our Broadway family to help 35 families in our city have a Christmas Dinner.

***We need your help!***

*Please bring the items assigned to your Sunday School class to worship on Sunday,*

***December 15*** (if you are unable to bring items on December 15 you may bring them to the plastic bins in the Atrium, Friendship Hall, and the Church Office before December 15). If you are not currently in a Sunday School class, please bring any items listed. If you can donate money to help purchase the perishable items, you may do so by placing a check in the offering plate or sending it to the church office with the memo line: "Christmas food donations."

### Items needed:

**Aluminum Foil and Boxed Cake Mix** - Armstrong Class, Carver Class, and Emmaus Class

**Coffee and Tea** – SALT/Ed Perry Class, Women of Grace Class, and Youth Group

**Canned Vegetables or Fruit and Canned Beans** – Lydia Class, Ruth Class, and Children’s Sunday School Classes

**Flour and Corn Meal** - Broadview Class and Seekers Class

**Sugar and Instant Potatoes** - Theophilus Class and Stained Glass Class



# December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Hanging of the Green Family Advent Breakfast</i>	2	3	4 <i>"Regular" Wednesday Schedule</i>	5 <i>7 pm Pickleball</i>	6 <i>Christmas Cheer Dinner</i>	7
8 <i>Youth Serve lunch at Jeff St.  Angel Tree gifts due</i>	9 <i>Youth Fundraiser at Just Creations 6-8 p.m.</i>	10 <i>Christmas Meditation</i>	11 <i>"Regular" Wednesday Schedule</i>	12 <i>7 pm Pickleball</i>	13	14
15 <i>Youth Christmas Party  Christmas Food donations due</i>	16	17 <i>Louisville Orchestra Holiday Concert</i>	18	19 <i>7 pm Pickleball</i>	20	21 <i>Youth Food Donation Delivery</i>
22 <i>Hats, Scarves, glove donations due</i>	23	24 <i>Office Closed (Christmas eve)</i>	25 <i>Office Closed (Christmas day)</i>	26 <i>7 pm Pickleball</i>	27	28
29	30	31 <i>Last day for year-end contributions</i>	1 <i>Office Closed (New Years Day)</i>	2 <i>7 pm Pickleball</i>	3	4

## CHRISTMAS MISSIONS TREE

Throughout Advent, the Missions Tree in the Atrium will collect items for Samaritan's Patrol. Please donate adult-size socks, gloves, hats, coats, and batteries by placing them either on the tree or in the bin next to the tree. Please bring items by **December 22.**

## ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree will be located in Friendship Hall beginning November 27. If you would like to provide Christmas presents for children and youth in need in our community, please take an angel from the tree. There will be instructions attached to the back of your angel. We will have a special time to receive angel tree gifts during worship on **December 8** (or if you're unable to bring items December 8 they may be left at the angel tree before December 8). If you have questions please call Susan in the office at 895-2459.

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