

# Broadway Beacon

September 2022

**BOUNCE HOUSES, BALLOONS, AND FAMILY FUN!**



**Back  
to  
School  
Fun!**





## CHOIRS

Chancel Choir is meeting on Wednesdays at 7pm

Chancel Bells will resume Wednesday, August 31 at 6 pm

Preschool Music Activity (ages 3-5) begins on Sunday, September 18 at 9:40 am

Children's Choir (grades 1-5) begins Sunday, September 18 from 12-12:40pm

## WORSHIP

The congregation will participate in a Hymn Sing in worship on September 25

## CONCERTS

Our organist, Jonathan Oblander, will present a recital on Sunday, October 16 in the afternoon.

## **Ann Hale stepping into BBC Children's Ministry as Interim!**



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# SEPTEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 <i>Sunday School Worship</i>	5 <i>Labor Day (Office Closed)</i>	6	7 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	8	9	10
11 <i>Sunday School Worship Service in September</i>	12	13 <i>Lifetimers Game Day</i>	14 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	15	16	17
18 <i>Sunday School Worship</i>	19	20	21 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	22	23	24
25 <i>Sunday School Worship Hymn Sing Golf Scramble</i>	26	27 <i>Lifetimers Game Day</i>	28 <i>Wednesday Night Dinner</i>	29	30	

## LIFETIMERS EVENT





# A Note from the 2023 Stewardship

## *LifeGiving: Generosity in Springtime and Harvest*

“...like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.”

Psalm 1:3

Stewardship touches every facet of our lives. How we tend, spend, and cultivate our time, talents, and resources affects what fruit we produce. When we tend our tomato plants in the backyard, we get ripe, juicy homegrown tomatoes. When



we spend time practicing piano, painting with watercolors, or with skills like woodworking or knitting, we grow in proficiency. When we cultivate the practical, complicated matters in life, we have to get down and dirty to turn the top soil. What do we need to steward (as a verb) to discover that truly life-giving life?

This year for our Stewardship Campaign, the Stewardship Committee’s goal is two-fold: First, we want to invite you, our church family, to pledge so we can set our Operating Budget for 2023 in order to continue support the mission and ministry of Broadway. There will be a Budget Narrative which will come in the mail which will share with you where your tithes and offerings go and how Broadway operates thanks to your generosity.

Second, we want to invite each of you to a special stewardship gathering on October 9 after Worship. There will be a lunch, and we will have three breakout sessions for you to self-select based on your season in life (younger, older, single, married, kids or no kids, employed or unemployed, comfortable or struggling financially):

- Starting Strong with Vicki & Steve: For Young(ish) Professionals, Parents, and Folks Figuring out How to “Adult” Well
- Stuck in the Middle with Drew & Sue: Navigating the Middle Passage between Aging Parents, Growing Children, and Preparing for Your Second Act
- Leaving Your Legacy with John & Walter: What Everyone Needs to Know to Make Their Golden Years Glisten

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These three sessions will be led and designed by an expert in the field and an experienced individual in the season. The goal will be to create space to talk, discuss, and ask questions about topics around money, life management, and stewardship that are painfully practical and deep down in the dirt of our daily lives. The conversations will be confidential, and we will have a box for anonymous questions to be answered if you aren't comfortable asking your question openly.

While this might sound strange in the context of a faith community, Christianity has consistently embraced that God cares for the whole person—body and soul. In Genesis 1 & 2, God both speaks humans into existence and kneels down to scoop up the dirt to fashion us and breathe in life. We hope this campaign encourages us all to turn over the soil in our souls, to break up the clods weighing us down, and to discover anew just how LifeGiving generosity can be.

## Thank You!

Dear Broadway Baptist Church:

Thank you so much for your generous and steady donations to our church. We are so grateful that you are so faithful to us, which certainly strengthens our ability to minister to our homeless friends.

Though we had to close the in-person Hospitality Program for our homeless guests at the beginning of the Covid pandemic due to our small space, we began feeding our homeless friends from the door five mornings each week, and the numbers quickly increased from 60 to 120 to 170 on some days. We were able to get some Covid-related grants and that helped with the cost of food and coffee and a huge number of essential items.

Our little congregation is doing well. We are meeting in-person and on Zoom on Sundays, and trying not to hug, though that's hard for us! Though we had to do a lot of Zooming over the last two years, we have been able to continue being a beloved community to one another, and we are grateful for that.

Thanks again for your support and faithfulness to our community and to our homeless friends. Blessings on you, beloved Broadway Baptist Church!

Love,  
Rev. Cindy Weber  
Pastor, Jeff Street Baptist Community at Liberty



Beloved Broadway,

There is a great deal of good going on around our church, and I want to highlight a couple of things.

Our “soft launch” of the Broadway Arts Academy is underway! I cannot begin to express my gratitude for Robert Gammon, and his tireless efforts to bring together the cacophony of questions and concerns into harmonious balance, while continuing to provide brilliant music and artful worship leadership and planning each week. Also, I am so appreciative and grateful for Jenny Snyder, Sarah Sparks, the entire Music Committee, and our Staff Team as they have been integral in the project planning. This dream of sharing high quality music education with children of all ages and socio-economic backgrounds in a loving, Christ-centered community is possible because of these many hands and full hearts.

On the Children and Youth Interim fronts, we have been recruiting, sharing, searching, and seeking candidates through the many avenues of partnership we have here at Broadway—denominationally, academically, and relationally. The Great Resignation has hit churches just as it has many of your workplaces. According to a February article in *\*ITALICS\** Relevant, the Barna Group reports that 38% of pastors are considering or have left ministry since the Pandemic. In many Catholic diocese, six parishes share one priest. The number of synagogues searching for Rabbis has doubled from 5% to 10%. Among Baptists, in the past 15 months 29% of clergy have left ministry altogether. (50% of young clergy). There are numerous think pieces trying to understand this crisis facing churches in America, but the reality is we are one of those congregations on the hopeful hunt for who God is calling to serve with us.

Searching is a process that takes a great deal of prayer, discernment, and time, so we have been given a gift in the past few weeks. With school for the Fall resuming, the Personnel Committee unanimously and enthusiastically added a new member to our interim team. In addition to Beth Kimbell who has been helping as our Volunteer Interim Children’s Ministry Coordinator and Alix Davidson who has been faithfully serving as our very part-time Interim Minister to Youth, we have a new introduction!

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I hope you will join me in praying for our staff, our interim team members, and our search process. I am confident we will find the right folks, and the worst thing we can do is settle for anyone less than the person whose heart is already stirred by the Spirit to join us in the good work of being Christ’s hands and feet at Broadway.

Thank you for being you, and thank you for letting me be your pastor, Broadway.

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Kevin





The teachers, students, and volunteers started the week of August 22! We currently, have 25 students enrolled and have inquires almost every day about the BAA! If you or someone you know is interested, a prorated fee schedule is available. So, don't wait...Register today!

Our first semester consists of individual lessons for piano, trumpet, violin, flute, guitar, and voice. Group lessons offered include:

A 7-week session that will develop a young child's musical expression through play and "doing". This class is offered to children ages 3-5 on Tuesday mornings and afternoons.

A 7-week Watercolor class for children, grades 3-5 on Tuesday afternoons

A 7-week creative movement class for children ages 7-10 on early Thursday evenings

A few Art classes for adults are in the works for the first week in October, So, be on the lookout and invite your friends to participate as well. More information can be found at [www.broadwaybaptist.org](http://www.broadwaybaptist.org). Click on the Broadway Arts Academy information page.

## **Broadway Arts Academy Wishlist:**

Volunteers, Used Instruments, Students of all ages



## Flower News

Thanks to all of you who have donated sanctuary flowers to share with others, and those of you who have taken the smaller arrangements to spread some cheer.

Flowers will be available about 10 minutes after church on:

August 28

September 4

September 18

If flowers aren't taken after church, they will be available on Monday morning in the office lobby.

Sign up for next year's sanctuary flowers! If you have a date you'd like to sponsor flowers, please email Nancy Stopher ([stopher@bellsouth.net](mailto:stopher@bellsouth.net)) with the following information:

Date desired (an alternate date would be helpful, too)

Wording for worship folder

If you'd like to keep the flowers OR donate to Broadway to be shared with others

Preference, if any, for particular colors or types of flowers

Cost will be \$100 for Communion Sundays (two arrangements) and \$65 for the other Sundays (one arrangement).

Dates are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.



Dear Church Family,

I wanted to update you on exciting news regarding our Children's Ministry.

A month ago, the Children's Ministry Leadership approached the personnel committee about hiring an Interim Minister to Children since both Beth Kimball (current interim) and Brittany Ritter (chair of the children's ministry committee) were heading back to teaching this Fall. After honest discussion and prayerful discernment, Ann Hale was chosen to be a perfect fit.

Ann brings to this role a deep love of the biblical stories, a wide breadth of experience in multiple volunteer leadership roles in children's ministry, and the time, as she has just retired from nursing.

Not only will she be exceptional leading our children and families in their faith formation, equipping volunteers, and building community among our families, she brings light, laughter, and love everywhere she goes.

The Personnel Committee enthusiastically and unanimously approved this interim role which will also afford our Children's Ministry Search Committee more time to do the deep, prayerful work of searching and calling who God is stirring to come and care for our children and families at Broadway.

Thanks to Ann for accepting this important role, our ministerial staff, and our Personnel Committee members, Charlie Baker, Sharon Lin, Lesley Lester, and Bob Hook (Finance) for your work and prayerful consideration.

Yours in Christ,

Vicki Buster

Deacon Chair

## Recreation Team News!

RECREATION TEAM PRESENTS:

# Golf Scramble

Sunday, September 25th @ Oxmoor  
Country Club

Tee times begin @ 1:30 PM.

4-person scramble format; limited  
space available. Please contact

Curtis Barman

@ 930-6420 to sign up.





# Service in September will be Sunday, September 11 immediately following church (lunch provided).



We have a variety of skills needed for our projects this year including:

Cooking, organizing, filling bags, and outdoor work. All ages and skill sets are welcome! Sign up sheets will be in the atrium on Sunday mornings or you are welcome to email Susan at [susanr@broadwaybaptist.org](mailto:susanr@broadwaybaptist.org) or text/call (502) 409-3825.







## Reminder

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WEDNESDAY EMAILS?

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TO SIGN UP!



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