

# Broadway Beacon

BROADWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

SUMMER RECAP 2020

Fellow Broadway Members,

This was certainly not the year I envisioned when I agreed to serve as deacon chair for this year. A global pandemic and family health issues have made it one that will not be forgotten. In a year in which it may appear that little is going on at church your active deacon board has remained busy this entire time. When in person services were cancelled, we met biweekly for about six weeks on Sunday afternoons and have not missed the Monday evening monthly meeting during this time. In fact, we met in July, the month normally not scheduled.

These meetings have included the normal business of the church. We have received monthly financial and facility reports from Scott Kimbell, monthly reports from each of our ministers and occasional reports from committees that have continued to meet. These would include Finance, Building Maintenance, Grounds/Beautification, Missions, and Nominating. So, the business of the church has continued during this time apart. A Wednesday evening prayer service has begun with deacons serving as traffic monitors, greeters, and mask suppliers/reminders.

Because we could not be together the deacons have attempted to contact members to inquire if any member might need something that the church could provide. Rest assured that our ministers stand by to help in any way that you might need.

We formed a taskforce composed of a cross section of church members and led by Alix Davidson to guide us in resuming in person meetings in the sanctuary. There were three physicians included in this group and all felt that the unknowns about this disease and the continuing rise of cases in Jefferson County made it imprudent to resume our inside services until cases begin to moderate. The taskforce met again in early September to reexamine the metrics that we might use in deciding for resumption. The taskforce also decided to send another survey to members, and we encourage each of you to participate.

In August we formed a Stewardship Committee (Carter Cox, Lilly Davis, Walter Jones, Beth Kimbell, Andy Lundberg, Sarah Sanders, Susan Reed & Candace Runyon) to lead this year's campaign which is undergoing as you read this letter. You will receive a mailing the week of Sept. 14th which will include your pledge card. We urge you to return your pledge by Oct. 11th, our Pledge Sunday. In addition, there will be a box at the Vesper services in which you can place your pledge. Your continued generosity during this pandemic has been most heartening and our initial fears have thankfully not happened. However, there is uncertainty going forward since over 30% of our giving occurs in December and January. Please consider pledging generously in this year of great uncertainty. Remember your pledge is completely confidential and you may also pledge online.

While we await the time when we can meet again, we remain bound together in this community of faith. Many prayers are needed. Pray for the victims of this disease, pray for our church and her staff, pray for front line health care workers and all workers who face the public, pray for our leaders and pray for those who are isolated. And yes, keep wearing that mask and washing those hands.

Sent wishing you health,

Walter Jones, 2020 Deacon Chair

# SUNDAY SCHOOL AND SMALL GROUPS



Thank you to the many Sunday School teachers and facilitators who have been leading their classes in online meetings throughout these past few months! If you're interested in joining one of these online groups or leading an online small groups, please contact Susan Reed at [susanr@broadwaybaptist.org](mailto:susanr@broadwaybaptist.org).

## SERVICE IN SEPTEMBER

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Service in September! If you haven't shared your project or pictures with us, we'd love to hear from you! Please post your pictures on the "Meet me in the Atrium" Facebook page or send pictures to [candace@broadwaybaptist.org](mailto:candace@broadwaybaptist.org)



# A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



Henry "Hank" Truman Gardner-Sinclair, born at 5:00 am on the dot on September 9th, 8 lbs 3.2 oz., 20 3/4 inches long. Baby and Mama are perfect and healthy. Thank y'all for the love, prayers, and support!

-Rev. Kevin Gardner-Sinclair

## VESPERS UPDATE

Beginning on September 23rd, Vespers will be moving to an earlier start time of 6:00 p.m. As always don't forget to bring a chair and your favorite mask!

## RE-ENTRY TASK FORCE SURVEY

The task force is continuing to meet and monitor the current health crisis. As we are looking ahead to Fall and Winter, your input on our Fall 2020 survey will be very valuable. Thank you to those of you who have completed the survey already. If you have not completed it yet, please do so by September 25th

## BOUND TOGETHER, EVEN APART

Be sure to submit your pledge card (either online or mail) by October 11. If you have any questions about pledges please contact Sarah Sanders at

[sarah@broadwaybaptist.org](mailto:sarah@broadwaybaptist.org)  
or call the church at

502-895-2495

You can find the pledge card on our website under the Give Tab.

Thank you!

### Stewardship 2021

### ***Bound Together, Even Apart!***

We/I will help support the Programs and Ministries of Broadway Baptist Church during 2021 by:

- Praying on a regular basis for the church and it's staff. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per week or
  - Being actively involved as a volunteer in the church's ministries. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month or
  - Pledging financial support for the Programs and Ministries of the church by way of my pledge. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per quarter or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_
- For my total pledge= \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*(This statement of intention may be revised should circumstances make it necessary.)*



There is always speculation among team members as to what might sell and what our total proceeds might be. Again we underestimated with a total of over \$7,900. This brings our proceeds in a 12 month period to over \$26,000! A surprising sale in the "make offer" category was the old Broadway office telephones.

Matthew Belwood, National Director of Deaf Teen Quest, again shouldered much of the moving/carrying load on Thursday and Friday. On Saturday, he brought five Manual High School students who worked hard in the holding area, bagging and carrying items to cars, and boxing "leftovers" for the Wayside truck. One student, Maryam, had helped last spring and said she was having "a great day."

After nine DTQ volunteers and more than a dozen Broadway members had helped load the truck, John, one of the Wayside drivers, asked to speak to the group. He thanked us for our donation to Wayside (more than a truckload) and thanked us for helping to load. He looked at the five teens gathered and said that no one has ever helped them load as much as this group. I replied to John and Chris that the teens are part of Deaf Teen Quest and they are learning about God and how to serve Christ. Kaitlin, a DTQ adult volunteer, interpreted the exchange.

The highlight of the sale was a visit by Fran and Lonnie Turner of Partners in Development, Zambia. They were a bit overwhelmed (sale day is a circus!) It was a delight for the Turners to meet Matthew and see the teen volunteers at work since both ministries share the proceeds.

About 37 Broadway members facilitate the sale before, during and after. We are especially grateful to Ron Broadwater and George Coleman and two DTQ adults who came at noon to help with clean up. We finished in record time. Volunteers range in age from 11 to 91.

Besides Wayside Christian Mission, donations of merchandise are being made to Supplies OverSeas, the Humane Society, WOM Spring Luncheon, Lions Eye Bank, Broadway Service in September, First Links, and the Healing Place. Over 400 shoppers attended the sale. After the racquetball courts are cleaned and our campus reopens, we will be accepting donations. If possible, please store your spring cleaning donations at home until further notice.

Thank you for your generous support!

Mary Herd Jackson



Thank you to Curtis and Melissa Barman for providing our weekly Facebook Live Sunday School for our little ones (and a few older ones, too!)

Thank you to all of our teachers and volunteers who continue to check-in on our students and families!

Thank you to everyone who wrote notes of encouragement to students! If you haven't had the opportunity to do so yet, I'm sure they would still love to hear from you.

–Rev Kristin Belcher

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# Lifetimers Throwback Edition:



“A moment lasts all of a second, but the memory lives on forever.”

# “Remember When?”



“Hang in there; we will do this again!”-  
Donna Williams, Lifetimers Coordinator

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