

Broadway Beacon

Kids Night Out!



It was great to see so many lovely faces at the Kids Night Out Event! Thanks to all of our amazing volunteers that made this night a huge success!



Easter Egg Hunt

April 8 at 10:00 A.M.

Join us for some age-appropriate hunts designed for babies/toddlers, PreK, lower and upper elementary. Invite your friends and neighbors! FREE donuts and coffee while they last!



Beloved Broadway,

As we conclude another season of Lent and Winter, blooming Spring flowers provide milestones on our journey towards Easter. I believe I'm getting the hang of it: first, the daffodils; then, the dogwoods; next, the tulips; next, the irises; and finally the Easter Lilies (my timing might be off, it's been a whole year after all!). I love Spring in Louisville, and I will gladly suffer the slings and arrows (a.k.a. pollen and crud) to bask in the beauty of this perennial moment.

As we look into April, I want to invite you into a conversation we have been having in our Outreach Committee meetings. Led by our Chair, Reba Cobb, the Outreach Committee has been leaning into our three strategic foci: Deepening Connection Together, Communicating Identity Together, and Missional Engagement Together. Our vehicle for driving towards that destination is simple, yet profound is summed up in the title of the book we are reading: *Radical Hospitality* by Robert Schnase. Hospitality is a sacred gift which is blessed in Scripture and beloved in culture. However, hospitality doesn't just magically happen. Like meditative prayer or the reading of Scripture, hospitality is a spiritual practice that requires continued commitment. You might have noticed we have resumed the Passing of the Peace in worship for the first time since Covid. Returning to this beloved practice in our worshipping life that has flowed out of conversations between Staff and Committees. We have been thinking about, "How do we cultivate more warmth in our worship?" "How do we practice hospitality to each other, to children, and to the guests in our midst?"

So, I encourage you to ask yourself next time you are in the Sanctuary, in the Atrium, or even walking through the parking lot, "How might I practice hospitality in this place?" We have been given a great gift in the number of new faces who have arrived since reentry post-Covid thanks to our renewed online presence and our local reputation (the Broadway Academy of the Arts has already). If you see someone whom you don't know, don't be afraid to introduce yourself. Then, don't be afraid to introduce that person to someone else. The worst that can happen is they can say, "Oh, I've known him for 20 years!" (Which is very likely in a city like Louisville).

Hospitality is a sacred value for Christians since we met in the catacombs and in Roman-era domiciles. The Church of Jesus Christ was always a radically hospitality and open community where widows and matriarchs, orphans and elites, patricians and plebes, immigrants and educated, enslaved and free persons would meet on equal footing to worship, study, and share life together in the Resurrected Jesus' name.

So, I hope you won't be a stranger this season!

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Kevin

MUSIC MINISTRY

Holy Week:

Palm Sunday, April 2 at 11 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, April 6 at 6:15 in the Chapel

Easter Service, April 9 at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary; joined by the Kentucky Brass

Music Notes

In March, we were blessed to be led in worship by all our choirs: The children sang an arrangement of a prayerful reminder, Be Still and Know that I am God.

The bell choir played an inspiring arrangement of When I Survey the Wondrous Cross. The Chancel Choir sang four beautiful arrangements around our Lenten theme, the most recent one entitled,

God is Making All Things New. Truly, we are grateful for all our musicians who offer their time and talents in weekly rehearsals so they can lead us to a more profound worship experience on Sundays!

BROADWAY ARTS ACADEMY

Our second semester Recital and Art Gallery will be held on Sunday, April 23 from 1-3 pm. We will have simultaneous recitals in both the sanctuary and chapel beginning at 1 pm. This will be followed by a reception and art gallery presentation in Friendship Hall no later than 2pm.

Everyone is invited to attend and hear/see what BAA is all about and to share the warm welcome of BBC with the students and parents of BAA.



Bereavement Committee



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The Bereavement Committee provides a meal for the family of a church member who has passed away. A luncheon is held in Friendship Hall following the service. Those who have served on this committee feel it is a privilege to offer the family food and a place to gather after an emotional and exhausting time. We are looking for new helpers! If you can provide food (we will tell you what's needed), or do a 2-hour shift (either set-up and prepare or serve and clean up), we would appreciate your help.

Please contact Nancy Stopher (stopher@bellsouth.net) or Christy Cox (christyYcox@gmail.com) and we will tell you more!

Upcoming Spring Recital & Gallery

Save the Date!



Spring Recital & Gallery

Sunday April 23rd, 2023

1:00- 3:00 PM

Broadway Baptist Church



Dear Broadway Baptist Church,

Thank you for your generous support of Habitat for Humanity of Metro Louisville's vision of a world where everyone has a decent place to live. With donations like yours, Habitat provides security through homeownership, unlocking the potential for families to build financial stability, excel at work and school, and grow up in a healthier environment.



With your stewardship and the passion of our volunteers, over 570 families have invested in their future through homeownership. You have a hand in making homeownership a reality in our community. Your support gives families a place for their children to thrive, truly making a difference for them.

No matter where we build, we are a part of the neighborhood, whether it is putting up one house on a block or revitalizing an entire streetscape. Together, we can change lives by building homes, community and hope through housing solutions.

With gratitude,

Rob Locke

Youth News

It's April and the youth have got some exciting things in the works! The youth are working on a missions project serving 3 Afghan refugee students at U of L. We are taking donations of halal foods and school supplies for care packages we are putting together. We are also hard at work redoing the youth space (former children's space on the 2nd floor) and we'd be really grateful for any donations of gently used couches, chairs, side tables, or modern TVs you may not be using anymore. If you'd like to donate anything else, even your time to help, please reach out to Alissa to coordinate.

SPRING MISSIONS SALE REPORT



In case you missed the announcement, this was another record-breaking sale. Proceeds are over \$15,000!

It was a joy to welcome Lonnie and Fran Turner to Broadway on March 19 and hand them their \$7,500 check. Lonnie explained and illustrated the work of their 25 year old non-profit. (Celebration at Immanuel BC in Frankfort on April 23.) He said their new goal is to raise \$500,000 over the next five years. Their son, Stephen, who teaches in Oldham County, was with them.

Matt Belwood, national director of Deaf Teen Quest, requested that their portion go directly to Eagle Rock Camp in TN. This size check will help many teens attend a life-altering week of Christian Summer Camp. Matt brought six polite, cheerful, and hard-working teens to help during and after the sale. They were accompanied by three adults who have helped for several years.



The Missions Sale team works year-round to sort, price and plan...then intensely for a week or so as the sale approaches. Here are some examples of those who stepped up in different ways:

Candace designed a beautiful flyer to invite shoppers to upcoming events.

Rudd picked up the pace with his musical selections.

Karen restored a special doll for the sale.

Janice pulled us from the brink of disaster when we had a stampede for the holding area on Friday night.

Mary Lucy taught cashiers how to deal with a large bill in making change.

James and Tim moved tables to and from the gym. (We are so grateful :-)

Conway came by every day during set-up and made a leg for the air hockey game.

Dale lead the tarp-laying and putting-away crews.

Emily W. taped tarps for miles on her hands and knees, then swept them.

Sue W. arranged dozens (100's?) of framed art which SOLD.

Kevin R. was the one-man moving company who coordinated with the Wayside drivers to load the truck.

Zack M. (New volunteer) moved, hoisted, removed and carried the heavy furniture.

Jeff was a calm presence to anxious shoppers.

Betty N. sorted through 100's of pieces of jewelry to find \$832.50 in gold and silver.

Ron N. lead our opening prayer and counted 574 shoppers before 1/2 price time.

Kevin J. logged 21,000 steps on Saturday (nervous energy?)

Connie selected some nice items for the Silent Auction of the Spring Luncheon.

Curtis and all of the pickle ball players kindly skipped a week so we could set up.

Lee made a video of shoppers on the floor. Fred E. helped to load 40 or so boxes of books and then drove them to Half Price Books.

We welcomed 12 new volunteers this year. There are (4) 2 1/2 hour shifts on sale weekend and many folks work multiple shifts. Kudos to Jenny S. and Betty N. for coordinating volunteers. Likely Broadway Youth will run the book sale next year. Big news: we have lights in both racquetball courts!

The elliptical machine in the gym is FOR SALE. Please see Kevin J. if interested. We are again accepting donations of merchandise. Contact any team member to make arrangements for drop off.

Thank you, Broadway, for the space and the investment of time and talent!

-Mary Jackson



From West End School:

Dear Friends at Broadway Baptist Church,

Thank you for your donation to West End School. Your gift will aid West End School in offering a rigorous academic program for our 120 students, as well as essential services such as counseling, meal program, and a free before-school program. Thank you!

The 2022-2023 academic year is West End School's eighteenth year, and with it brings some exciting news!

Our Middle School enrollment was the highest ever with 40 students.

We are thankful for our volunteers! Last school year, our volunteers gave over 1500 hours in the classrooms and libraries, by tutoring, serving meals, and working around the schools. What a tremendous blessing!

The WES Soccer Team had a winning season this year.

WES Class of 2018 began their freshman year in college. They are at Berea College, Heidelberg University, University of Kentucky, and JCTC. Each of the eight did great in their first semester, and many have reflected that their time at WES prepared them for college.

Our biggest news of the year: In the spring, WES was awarded a 10-year grant from the Brown-Forman Foundation to support the continuing operations of the Boys' School but also to open a Girls' School. We are anticipating opening the Girls' School in the Fall of 2024. We are thankful for Brown-Forman Foundation's support and being able to open WES's doors to girls in the near future.

Thank you again for supporting West End School! We could not make these strides toward our goals without the continued support of our community.

With gratitude,

Stacie Farris

COO, WES



The annual Women on Mission Spring Luncheon was held on Saturday, March 18. This fundraiser for mission projects was attended by 160 women. Over \$7500.00 was raised and will be split among several to be decided mission projects.

Jonathan Oblander played the piano for the entertainment and Ellenbee's Catering provided a delicious lunch. Youth and a few BBC men were the servers. A donation to the youth accounts will be made for their help.

Twenty-one tables were decorated with elegance, creativity and various themes. Tables were judged by local designer Winslow Farleigh. The winners will have a donation made in their honor to one of the mission projects, of their choosing. The winning tables and categories:

Most elegant, Nettie Oliver
Most creative, Janis Eberenz
Best theme, Elaine Baker
Most original, Teresa Gray

Honorable mention for each category:

Most elegant, Pat Ernst
Most creative, Debra Reh
Best theme, Lois Granger
Most original, tie Lesley Lester and Teri Veal and Sharon Davis. Both had 'bees' at their tables.

Big thanks for all the monetary donations and auction items. There were 51 auction items that brought in \$3200.00.

Watch for the announcement of the 2024 Spring Luncheon date and start planning your table decorations. It is always an exciting day.

Committee for WOM Spring Luncheon

Donna Williams
Mary Lucy Hook
Connie Rogers
Nettie Oliver
Teresa Gray
Janis Eberenz
Elaine Baker
Pat Ernst
Debra Reh
Lesley Lester
Lois Granger
Teri Veal and Sharon Davis

Youth servers:

Annamae Spencer
Anniston Spencer
Maggie Sparks
Caroline Martin
Ellie Martin
Evan White
Halo Brooks
Bea Davis
Foster Davis
Sawyer Sparks

BBC men:

Curtis Barman
Jeff Sanders
Ron Newcomer
Eric Futrell
Glenn Davis
Brad McCoy
Greg Rash
Zack Sparks
Zack Mccoy
Paul Martin





Wednesday Night Dinners

Wednesday, April 5

No activities or dinner
(due to Maundy Thursday on April 6)

Wednesday, April 12

5:30– Dinner Line opens
6:00 – Bible Study, led by Kevin
6:00– Elementary Missions, led by Ann Hale

Wednesday, April 19

5:30– Dinner Line opens
6:00 – Bible Study, led by Kevin
6:00– Elementary Missions, led by Ann Hale

Wednesday, April 26

5:30– Dinner Line opens
6:00 – Bible Study, led by Kevin
6:00– Elementary Missions, led by Ann Hale

(Permanent or standing reservations are available. If you are unable to attend, the reservation must be canceled by Monday 1:00pm or you will be responsible for the charge.)

Gather around and join us for Wednesday Night Dinners and Bible Study!

April Dinner Menus

April 6, 2023

Lasagna
French Bread
Garden Salad

April 19, 2023

Quiche Lorraine w/
Spinach
Roasted Potatoes
Fresh Fruit Salad

April 12, 2023

Baked Chicken & Rice Almondine
Broccoli w/ Cheese
Warm Rolls
Apple Craisin Salad

April 26, 2023

Beef Stroganoff
Buttered Noodles
Green Beans
Warm Biscuit

Grounds Clean-Up Day

The Grounds Committee is sponsoring a Grounds Clean-Up Day on Saturday, April 22 from 9-noon. Bring your saws, rakes, loppers, weed eaters, trimmers, and any other equipment you have. We will be clearing the campus of debris from the wind storms and making it more beautiful. All help appreciated!! This is a family-friendly event. Rain date will be April 29, same time.

Contact Dave Watkins (drwat44@icloud.com) or Nancy Stopher (stopher@bellsouth.net) for more information.



April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>Pickleball</i>
2 <i>Palm Sunday Sunday School Worship</i>	3	4 <i>Pickleball</i>	5 <i>No Wednesday Night Activities</i>	6 <i>Maundy Thursday Dinner & Service</i>	7 <i>Good Friday</i>	8 <i>Pickleball Easter Egg Hunt</i>
9 <i>Easter Sunday School Worship</i>	10 <i>Deacons Meeting</i>	11 <i>Pickleball Lifetimers Game Day</i>	12 <i>Supper & Study Kids Missions</i>	13 <i>Office Closed (Easter Observance)</i>	14	15 <i>Pickleball</i>
16 <i>Sunday School Worship</i>	17	18 <i>Pickleball</i>	19 <i>Supper & Study Kids Missions</i>	20	21	22 <i>Pickleball Grounds Cleanup Day</i>
23/30 <i>Sunday School Worship BAA Recital</i>	24	25 <i>Pickleball</i>	26 <i>Supper & Study Kids Missions</i>	27	28	29 <i>Pickleball</i>

Lifetimers Game Day

**Lifetimers
Game Day**
11:30 AM | APRIL 11
BRING A LUNCH/SNACK FOR SOME
FELLOWSHIP AND FUN

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