

Broadway UMC Calendar: Week of August 3, 2008

Sunday	8:45 a.m. Service of Prayer and Preaching: Holy Communion [Sanctuary]
August 3	10:00 a.m. Adult Education I + [Area C]
	10:00 a.m. Understanding and Dismantling Racism Book Study + [Room B]
	10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour [Friendship Hall]
	11:00 a.m. Festival Service: Holy Communion [Sanctuary]
	5:00 p.m. Dignity Mass* [Sanctuary & Friendship Hall]
	6:00 p.m. CMA Group* [Area C]
Monday	7:30 p.m. AA Group* [Area C]
August 4	
Tuesday	8:30 a.m. Aymar Summer Camp [Wesley Room]
August 5	7:00 p.m. Nurture Committee [Room A]
	7:00 p.m. AA Group* [Room B]
	7:00 p.m. NA Group* [Wesley Room]
Wednesday	8:30 a.m. Aymar Summer Camp [Wesley Room]
August 6	12:15 p.m. AA Group* [Wesley Room]
	5:30 p.m. Sanctuary Prayer + [Sanctuary]
	6:30 p.m. Potluck/Bible Study + [Area C]
	8:00 p.m. Candlelight AA Group* [Wesley Room]
Thursday	8:30 a.m. Aymar Summer Camp [Wesley Room]
August 7	6:00 p.m. Youth Allies Homeless Youth Barbeque + [back patio or Friendship Hall]
Friday	6:00 p.m. AA Group* [Friendship Hall and Room B]
August 8	7:30 p.m. Alanon Group* [Friendship Hall and Room B]
Saturday	
August 9	
Sunday	8:45 a.m. Service of Prayer and Preaching [Sanctuary]
August 10	10:00 a.m. Adult Education I + [Area C]
	10:00 a.m. Understanding and Dismantling Racism Book Study + [Room B]
	10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour [Friendship Hall]
	11:00 a.m. Festival Service [Sanctuary]
	12:30 p.m. Second Sunday Brunch +
	5:00 p.m. Dignity Mass* [Sanctuary & Friendship Hall]
	6:00 p.m. CMA Group* [Area C]

Bold face indicates Church sponsored activities

*Community Group

+see announcements



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Announcements for the week of August 3, 2008

TODAY — Sunday, August 3, 2008

As We Are Fed. Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion, as we do on the first Sunday of every month. As part of that celebration we receive an offering of nonperishable food. The local area food pantries and shelters distribute that food. Broadway has been asked to consider particularly gifts of Spam or canned meats. Those gifts provide quick access to protein for folks who are on the street. "As we are fed, so we are called to feed."

Summer Break for Children's Education Children's Education will be taking a break the months of July and August. Please join us in September when classes and children's choir resumes!

Adult Education I is continuing to look at Paul's theology through the letters to the Corinthians.

Inclusion Book Study Continuing in our theme of inclusion and resisting oppression as sponsored by Religion & Race and Religion, Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity, we are studying and discussing the book "Understanding and Dismantling Racism: The Twenty-first Century Challenge to White America" by Joseph Barndt. We are focusing on the realities of institutional racism and discussing ways to recognize, and respond to, issues of racism, and other forms of oppression, in our lives. The book study continues today **from 10 to 10:45** in the morning and will continue Sunday mornings as we proceed through the book. For any questions, please contact Manny Ayala (vertigus@yahoo.com) or Cathy Knight (knight.cathy@gmail.com).

THIS WEEK — August 4-9, 2008

Vacation Pastor Jenny will be away on vacation from **August 2nd through August 10th**. Please contact Pastor Vernice if you have needs during this time. Jenny will return to the office Monday, August 11th.

Change in Date for Committee Meetings Most of the Committees who normally meet the first Monday of the month **will not be meeting this Monday, August 4th**. Those meetings (Communications, Religion & Race, Church and World Concerns, Education, Finance, Youth Allies and Council on Ministries) have been rescheduled for Monday, August 11th. Please see the August calendar or next week's weekly calendar for exact times.

Sanctuary Prayer The sanctuary will be open this **Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:30 pm**. There are special prayer opportunities with an option of joining in the special offerings or taking advantage of the private, reflective time. Come for a few minutes or stay the whole hour.

THIS WEEK — August 4 to 9, 2008 continued...

Weekly Picnic/Potluck on the back patio (6:30 p.m.) and Bible Study (7:15 p.m.) on Wednesday. (In case of rain or inclement weather, we'll have the potluck downstairs in the church building.) Grilled meat and a vegetarian alternative are provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. The Bible Study meets in the "Pillow Room." Bring your Bible and a willingness to explore the Scriptures for the coming Sunday! Everyone is welcome. If child-care would be helpful, please call the church office.

Youth Allies BBQ Youth Allies will be sponsoring a Homeless Youth BBQ on **Thursday, August 7th from 6 to 8 pm** out on the back patio. Volunteers are needed to help out, especially a master griller! Please contact Youth Allies Co-Chair Tony Vega (773-329-8889/tonyvega222@yahoo.com) for more information.

Environmental Resource Event Be safe at home. Participate in the Department of Environment's third Environmental Resource event of the year and take the opportunity to properly dispose of your household hazardous waste; recycle your old computers, monitors, laptops and cell phones; bring in your expired or unused medications and keep them out of our water system; pick up a free compact fluorescent light bulb and more! The event will take place **Saturday, August 9 from 9 am to 3 pm** at Northeastern Illinois University, 3701 W. Bryn Mawr Ave. Call the Chicago Department of Environment at 312-744-7606 for more information.

NEXT SUNDAY — August 10, 2008

Scriptures: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28, Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b (UMH 828), Romans 10:5-15, Matthew 14:22-33

Preaching: Broadway Authorized Minister Arlie Sims

August Mission Minute – Chicago Interfaith Committee for Worker Issues The August Mission Minute is the Chicago Interfaith Committee for Worker Issues (CICWI), a non-profit group in Chicago since 1991. CICWI helped launch the national interfaith worker justice movement across the United States, which advocates for low wage workers. Through its Building Bridges program, CICWI prepares minorities and women to pass the apprenticeship tests for well-paid jobs in the building trades. Through its Interfaith Workers Rights Center, CICWI provides a safe place for immigrant workers who are being exploited, educating them about their rights and recovering unpaid wages. Through its Faith and Labor Solidarity program, CICWI brings a strong moral voice to decision makers when low wage workers are trying to form a union as a means to lift themselves out of poverty. CICWI supports workers on the lowest levels of our economy, helping them face their challenges with hope and courage. It is especially timely now during the present uncertain economic conditions. Donations will be requested next Sunday but will be accepted until the end of August. (Make check out to Broadway Church but be sure to mark your donation for CICWI or August Mission Minute.)

Second Sunday Brunch The Nurture Committee would like to invite you to participate in a unique program designed to allow people to get to know one another. What better way to do that than good food and good conversation? Sign up to join the Second Sunday Brunch Program! The Second Sunday Brunch Program meets on the second Sunday of each month after the 11 am service. Groups are chosen at random and announced on that day. Each group makes a collective decision on the brunch location. If you are interested in joining, please fill out a card anytime and drop it off in the Nurture Brunch box located outside the sanctuary. If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information, please contact Myrna Mejia at Pokebear5@yahoo.com or Teresa Seliga at Treemarielucy@yahoo.com.

COMING SOON

Coming soon... Gay Men's Discussion Group The Committee on Religion, Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (RSG) is sponsoring an 8-week Gay Men's Discussion Group which will begin in mid-August. Weekly group meetings will consist of structured confidential group discussion surrounding topics which are relevant to being gay, male and Christian in today's complicated and all too often judgmental world. Persons identifying as Christian gay males from the Broadway family as well as the East Lakeview community at-large are invited to attend. Attendees are asked to commit to a minimum of six of the eight sessions, to create a safe and familiar environment in which all will feel confident to speak freely and openly. All meetings will be co-facilitated by Jim Schmeltzer (773-401-4016) and Jim Carter (773-401-4019). Please contact either of the facilitators for dates, times and other specific information.

Think Green We are reducing the amount of paper we use by utilizing our website and email to provide information to our Broadway community. **Starting July 1**, we switched over to electronic copies of the Broadway newsletter. If you do not have access to the internet or would prefer to receive the information in paper format, please contact the church office at 773-348-2679 or brdwyumc@brdwyumc.org and we will continue to provide paper copies of the newsletter to you. **Paper copies of the newsletter will be provided by request only.** Please provide suggestions to the Board of Trustees that would help make our experience of being church greener.



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