

Broadway UMC Inclusivity Statement - Adopted by Church Council on May 28, 2019

We believe all people are created in the image of God.

We believe all people are children of God and desire affirmation of this truth.

We believe that all people desire a safe place to experience God.

We are committed to building a community where all feel safe to be authentic and to give full expression to their experiences of love and of God, where all feel safe to bring their questions, doubts, and struggles.

We believe no one should place barriers between people and their ability to know God.

We repent for the stumbling blocks we have created both by our action and our inaction.

We are committed to building a community where we can allow those we disagree with to coexist with us and where we learn to celebrate this diversity.

We recognize that there is tension and uncomfortableness that comes with building a truly inclusive community but we believe that is exactly who Jesus calls us to be.

We are committed to building a community where the challenging truths revealed in diversity help us all to grow toward perfection in love.

We believe the markers of a Godly marriage are consent and mutual flourishing between two adults.

We believe human beings need relationships and connection in order to thrive.

We are committed to building a shared ethic of behavior that is affirming to all people and allows space for humans to flourish in the Holy Spirit.