### THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

8:30 AM Morning Worship Service

9:45 AM Sunday School (Nursery available)

11 AM Morning Worship Service (Nursery available)

Children's Church (3 & 4 year olds)

4:45 PM Adult Christmas Cantata Choir Rehearsal & Social\*

6 PM Evening Worship

Children's Activities (Singing with Marsha & Michelle)

WEDNESDAY

6 PM Youth @ Stokes Home

6:15 PM Women's Bible Study

THURSDAY

6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

SATERDAY

7 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Special Offering for Flood Victims: *TODAY is the last day to contribute*. Make checks out to "Brandon Presbyterian" and write "flood relief" on the memo line.

**Christmas Cantata:** If you're interested in singing, join us TONIGHT for the first rehearsal & social at 4:45 pm. We will distribute books & listen to our Christmas music while enjoying some refreshments.

Women's Fall Bible Study begins THIS Wednesday @ 6:15 pm: We'll study Psalms: Songs Along the Way by Kathleen Nielson. Childcare is provided.

Men's Bible Study: THIS Thursday, 6:30 pm, @ BPC. Snacks & drinks provided.

RUF Spaghetti Fundraiser NEXT Sunday! Fill out a form or call the office to order.

Baby Shower: Saturday, October 15, at 2 pm, at BPC, in honor of Lacey Morrison.

**THANK YOU**: for all of the prayers, cards & visits during and after my surgery. Also for the food for Rich. - Linda & Rich Harrison

**Thanksgiving Project**: We'll participate in the RCHRC turkey drive again this year. Place donations in the envelope on bulletin board by October 30. Make checks out to RCHRC with "turkeys" in the memo line. For more info, see Davida Curtis.

**Great news!** The number of college/career age people in the church is growing! Would you be willing to help gather, reach, and help disciple this age group? Contact Pastor Dawson at jdawson@brandonpres.com.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

TONIGHT @ 6 pm: Singing with Marsha & Michelle begins.

Reformation Celebration: Save the Date! Sunday, October 30, at 6 pm.

NEEDED - Children's Church, Sunday School, & Nursery volunteers: Prayerfully consider serving our children in these ministries. Sign up for a time slot on the bulletin board.

Children's Bulletins: Available Sunday mornings for ages 3-6 and 7-12. Pick one up!

# SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Colton Whitney
Children's Church: Becky Oliver
Nursery: John Dawson, Susan Inman
Next Week: Cora Whitney
Next Week: Serina Blackwell
Next Week: Julie Huddleston

### YOUTH MINISTRY

**Devo & Donuts**: NEXT Wednesday, October 5, at 7:15 am, for Middle School students (6th-8th grades). See *Davida Curtis* for more info or to sign up.

Youth Bible Study THIS Wednesday, September 28, 6 - 7:15 pm, at the home of Penney Stokes. We'd love to fellowship with church members in their homes. If you're willing to open your home to us, contact John Thompson.

Youth Barnes Retreat - October 15 & 16

# SERMON NOTES Dr. JOHN DAWSON

September 25, 2016

Psalm 42

I. Question

II. Answer

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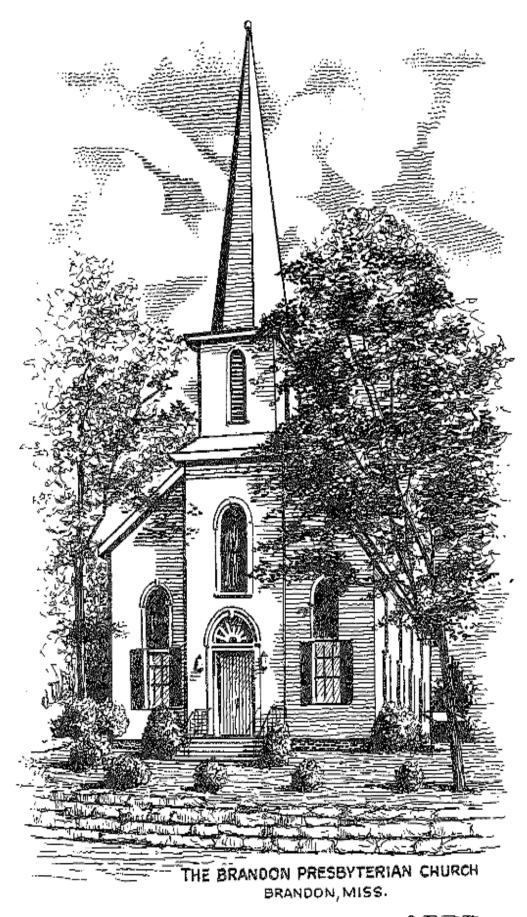
Elders: TE John Dawson, RE Walt Herrington, RE Gary Morrison, RE Jackie Thompson, RE Nat Whitten

<u>Deacons</u>: Kyle Carlton, Scotty Dickey, John McInnis, Brian Smith, Luther Stowers, John Thompson, Joe Williams

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY ROUND TABLE

Women's Ministry Director: Rebekah Dawson
Dawson Shepherding Group: Angela McInnis; Thompson Shepherding Group:
Mary Thompson, Melinda Neill; Whitten Shepherding Group: Jeanne Monsour, Erin Clayton;
Morrison Shepherding Group: Kerri Matthews; Carol Booth;
Herrington Shepherding Group: Camille Herrington, Jo Stanford, Michelle Smith

# Brandon Presbyterian Church



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"The Church's One Foundation Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord..."

# Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, September 25, 2016

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

# Words for Meditation

The main problem in the whole matter of "spiritual depression" in a since is this - we allow our "self" to talk to us instead of "talking to ourself." Most unhappiness in like is due to the fact that we "listen to ourselves" instead of "talking to ourselves." David, in effect, says, "Self, listen for a moment to what I have to say - why are you so cast down?" The main art in the matter of spiritual living is to know how to handle yourself, question yourself, and preach to yourself - you must remind yourself who God is, and what God has done, and what God has promised to do - this is the essence of the treatment in a nutshell. - Dr. Martin Lloyd Jones

Prelude Buxtehude

"Praise God, Ye Christians" Jacquelyn Thornell, organist

### Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship \* Philippians 4:4-6

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always.
People: Again I will say, rejoice!

Leader: Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; People: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and

supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to

God.

Leader: And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,

will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Hymn of Adoration \*

No. 518

"Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground"

Invocation

Hymn of Praise \*

N°. 521

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

### Confession of Sin

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

# Assurance of Pardon

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,

and with his wounds we are healed.

# Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Stairs

ISAIAH 53:4-5

"Moment of Prayer"

### Gloría Patrí \*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, it is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*Anthem* \*\*

"As the Deer' Adult Choir

(Children are dismissed to Children's Church) \*\*

Reading of Holy Scripture

N°. 401

Psalm 42

Sermon

Dr. John Dawson

"Start Talking to Yourself?"

Hymn of Response \*

N°. 481

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

Benediction \*

Postlude \*

\*Congregation Standing
\*\* 11 am Service Only

# To Our Visitors

We are pleased you have chosen to worship with us. Our church doors are open as wide as the Gospel:

"For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" Romans 10:13

Please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Dawson at the end of the service. Let an usher or Pastor Dawson know if you have any questions.

# IN PRAYER

- Missionary of the Week: Rev. & Mrs. White (Field Support ATL)
- Ministry of the Week: French Camp Academy
- Shepherding Group of the Week: John Dawson, John McInnis, Kyle Carlton
- Our deepest Sympathy for Margaret Elliott & family on the death of her mother, Helen McLaughlen.
- God would continue to bless us with new visitors, families, & members.
- Presidential Elections
- Brittany Beddow & David Mahaffey: engaged.
- Brandi Wilkins (Bethany Lee's sister) & Jonathan Hall: engaged.
- Elaine Moore: expecting a baby in November.
- Kristen & Sam Murray: expecting a baby in late December.
- Lacey (Morrison) & Dominic Avioli: expecting a baby in January.
- Amanda Stokes: Intern with RUF, Western Carolina University.
- Laura Whitten: Intern with RUF, Stanford.
- Gayle Richardson: cancer, chemo & radiation, pray for strength & healing.
- **John Walter & Colton Chase**, Barbara Fowler's friend's step-sons: lost their mother in an ATV accident.
- Scott Word's uncle, Vic: lung transplant list, regressing, not breathing well.
- Bethany Lee: postpartum issues.
- **Joan Allen**: In need of assisted living or sitter.
- **Jim McBrayer:** Recovering from procedures.
- **Greg Wilkins**, Bethany Lee's dad: severe back problems, outpatient surgery relieved some pain, walking some now.
- Ken Bramlett: No hip issues, but struggling with pain & dizziness.
- **John Pullen**, step grandfather of Serina Blackwell: wife and daughter passed away recently, struggling with faith, seems to be doing better.
- Loved ones battling cancer: Caffie Chambers, Barbara Fowler's friend's sister: breast cancer. Judy Bramlett, Ken Bramlett's sister: cancer returned in several places, in treatment, problems w/ white cell blood count, tests to see if treatments are working soon. Bobby Taylor, John Dawson's cousin: stage 4 lymphoma, PET scan, awaiting results. Austin Brayfield, Cecile Whitten's Aunt: inoperable brain tumor, had an infection and was hospitalized, now in rehab, physical & spiritual needs. Jeff Harrison, Charlie Moak's close friend: prostate cancer, bladder tumors, radiation, slowly regaining strength, hasn't been tested for effectiveness of treatment yet. Jack Thompson, Scott Word's Uncle: prostate cancer, doing well, needs to be monitored with regular check-ups, his wife will have surgery for digestive issues soon. Roscoe Douglas, Rebekah Dawson's SIL's father: (colon, liver, lymph nodes) stage 4, doing well, upcoming PET scan. Andrew McCall, 8-yr-old son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall: (acute leukemia). Lamar Felter, Serina Blackwell's grandfather: in hospital again.
- Service members: S.T. Heath, Mark Muse, Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)
- Nursing home residents & shut-ins: Joan Allen, Ann Benton, Jane Ehman, Jim McBrayer, Merrit McNamee, Peggy Piner, Polly & Laverne Roberts, Mary Jane Thompson

# ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (8:30/11am/6pm): Sept. 18 47/81/26 Sunday School 99

Last Week's Offering: \$6,277.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$6,249.00
Year to Date Giving: \$256,820.00

Year to Date Budgeted Giving: \$237,462.00 (+\$19,358.00)