

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 PM Worship Service
 6:00 PM Evening Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flower Calendar: The flower calendar for 2019 is on the bulletin board across from the cafe area. If you have a special date you want for putting flowers in the sanctuary, please go ahead and sign up to assure you have that date.

Children's Ministry: Nate and Susan are in need of a few more volunteers to work with the children as we begin the new year. We need two people to help the teacher in two classes on Sunday evening. We also need volunteers willing to make supper for the children for the Sunday evening program. We would like to have two people willing to serve for one month at a time. We also need volunteers to teach Children's Church. This could be for a couple weeks up to a month. Please email or text Susan if you are willing to help with any of these positions. susaninman51@yahoo.com 601-624-1439

Hallway Duty: We need people to assist our deacons in security during the 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. services. Sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Sunday School: New adult Fall/Winter quarter classes.....In the kitchen class Scotty Dickey will lead a video on the history of the ancient church. Also, Walt Herrington will lead a study on the Book of Job in the choir rehearsal class.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School: Classes for 3 yrs - 5th grade meet each Sunday at 9:45 am.

Sunday night activities for kids begin again January 6.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Clara Matthews **Next Week:** Colton Whitney
Nursery: Davida Curtis **Next Week:** R. Thompson/J. Vance
December: **January:** Michelle Smith

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

December: John & Ashley Belknap **January:** Gary Outz

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Jr & Sr High classes meet upstairs at 9:45 am every Sunday.

Youth Fellowship: Will begin again in January. Stay tuned!

Sermon Notes

Luke 1:26-45

- I. The Unexpected Setting

- II. The Unexpected Savior

- III. The Unexpected Conception

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OFFICERS

Elders: TE John Dawson, RE Scotty Dickey, RE Walt Herrington, RE Gary Morrison, RE Jim Neill, RE Jackie Thompson, RE Nat Whitten
Deacons: Chris Groebe, Nate Inman, Eric Napier, Andrew Rush, Brian Smith, Luther Stowers, John Thompson, Darrin Tolar

Officers Emeritus:

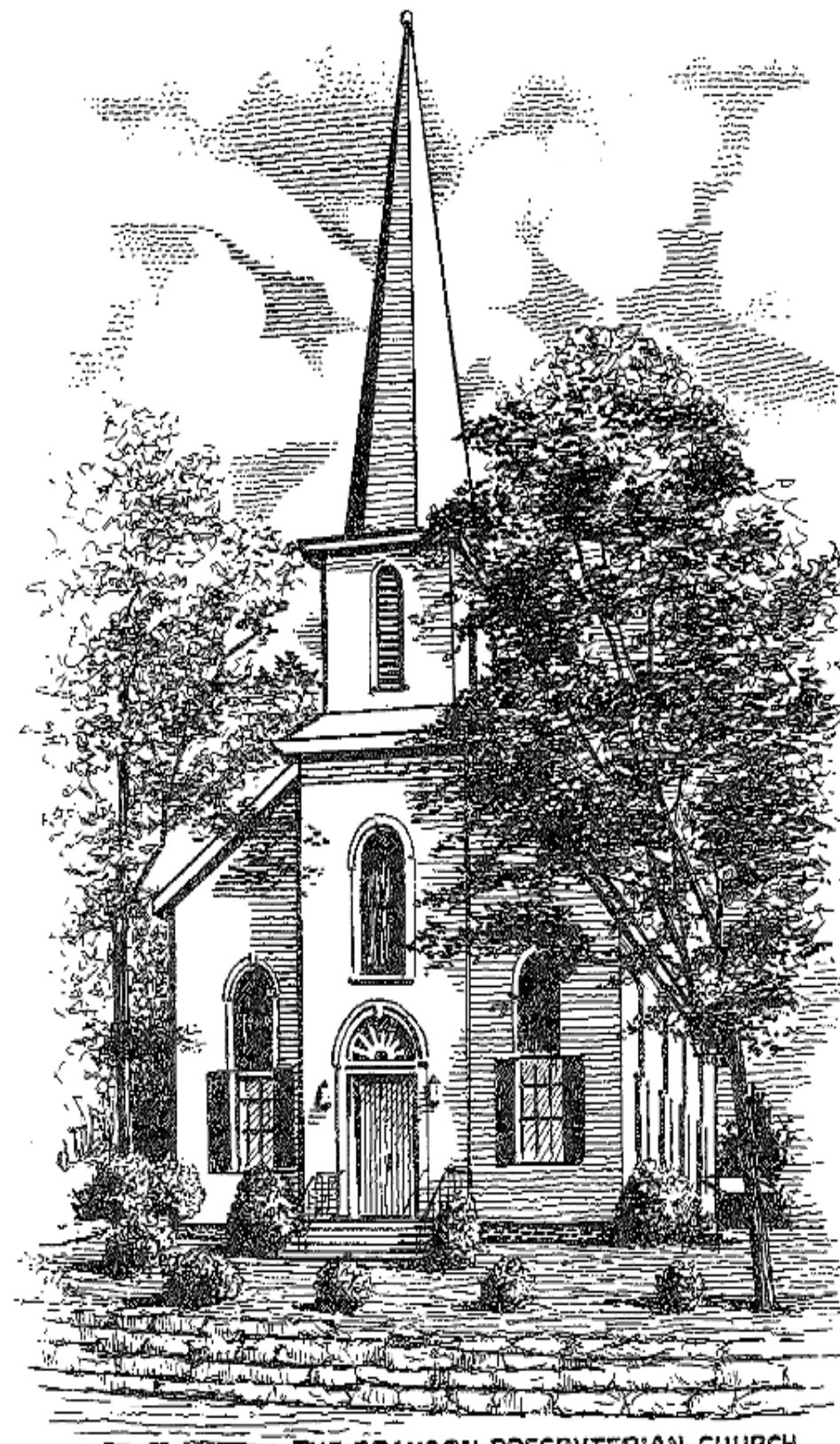
Elders: Charlie Moak, Elton Jay, Jim McBrayer †
Deacons: John McInnis †, Ken Bramlett, Edsel Parks, Richard Harrison.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY ROUND TABLE

Women's Ministry Director: Rebekah Dawson
Dickey Shepherding Group: Angela McInnis, Dotsy Peel
Herrington Shepherding Group: Camille Herrington, Jo Stanford
Morrison Shepherding Group: Carol Morrison, Rebecca Thompson
Neill Shepherding Group: Melinda Neill
Thompson Shepherding Group: Mary Thompson, Jeanne Monsour
Whitten Shepherding Group: Molly Napier

Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God

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 Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord..."*

Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, December 16, 2018

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

Meditation

Silent Night! Holy Night! Son of God, love’s pure light, radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus Lord at thy birth, Jesus Lord at thy birth.

Prelude “Wake, Awake for Night is Flying” M. Sobaje
ORGANIST, JACQUELYN THORNELL

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Call** Pre-K Choir
“Away In a Manger”

Call to Worship * PSALM 8

Leader: O LORD, our Lord,
People: How majestic is your name in all the earth!
Leader: You have set your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
People: You have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

Leader: When [we] look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
People: What is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?

Leader: Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.
People: You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;
Leader: You have put all things under his feet,
all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,
People: Whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

Leader: O LORD, our Lord,
People: How majestic is your name in all the earth!

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 214
“Angels We Have Heard On High”

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 211
“God Rest You Merry Gentlemen”

Confession of Sin:

God of grace and truth,
In Jesus Christ you came among us
As light shining in darkness.
We confess that we have not welcomed the light,
Or trusted good news to be good.
We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst,
Expecting little and hoping for less.

Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope,
So that we may receive the fullness of your grace,
And live in the truth of Christ the Lord.

Book of Common Worship

Pastoral Prayer

God’s Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory W. Held
“There's a Song in the Air”

Gloria Patri *
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 ** Children’s Choir
“Were You There on That Christmas Night?”

Dismiss Children For Children’s Church (3 & 4 year olds) **

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGES 723-724
LUKE 1:26-45

Sermon Dr. John Dawson
“The Unexpected”

Hymn of Response * N^o. 195
“Joy to the World! The Lord is Come”

Benediction *

Postlude *
*Congregation Standing ** 11:00 Service Only

To Our Visitors	<p>We are pleased to have you worship with us. Our church doors are open as wide as the Gospel: <i>“For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”</i> 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.</p>
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IN PRAYER

- **Missionary of the Week:** Rev. Bill Goodman
- **Ministry of the Week:** Ashley Belknap (Engaging Disabilities)
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers and Eric Napier
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Eliza, Clara and Layton Matthews
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

- **Gary & Jenny Wood**, friends of Andrew/Gray Ouzts from GA: baby, Georgia Anne, born with congenital heart defect--Pray that baby will grow in strength for open heart surgery on December 21st, expected to remain in the hospital for about 10 days.
- **Evelyn Culpepper:** doing good and been in good spirits, Brandon Court - Room 211
- **Bear & Emily Sills**, friends of Kerri/Brian Matthews: infant son Hank passed away at birth.
- **Linda Harrison:** suffered a stroke and lost vision in left eye, recovering.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Ken Pinkerton:** recently diagnosed with prostate cancer, will begin treatment in January.
- **Dr. Shenouda:** prostate cancer, will have hormone and radiation treatment.
- **Will Glover**, son of Marsha & Bill Glover: beginning another round of chemo.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer, last scan good.
- **Kelly Langford**, daughter of Jacquelyn Thornell: last scan was clear....continuing oral chemo.
- **Robin Marbury Morris**, Jeanne Monsour’s niece: had a scan showing that the liver tumors have been successfully removed. Praise God!
- **Andrew McCall**, son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall: acute leukemia; at Blair Batson recovering from bone marrow transplant.
- **Terry McGinty**, Kerri Matthews’ uncle: has prostate cancer that has metastasized to the bone.

- **Service members:** S.T. Heath, Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)

- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Dr. John Adams, Joan Allen, Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Polly & Laverne Roberts, Mary Jane Thompson

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (8:30 am/11 am/6 pm): December 9	44/81/112
Sunday School:	91
Last Week’s Offering:	\$ 7,318.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 6,648.00
Year to Date Giving:	\$ 341,033.00
Year to Date Budgeted Giving:	\$ 319,104.00 (+\$21,929)