

Brandon Presbyterian Church

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Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, August 2, 2020

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

Meditation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the Word: from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Prelude

Marsha Glover, Pianist

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

PSALM 145:10-16

Leader: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your saints shall bless you!

**People: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,**

Leader: to make known to the children of man your mighty
deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**People: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

Leader: The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.

**People: The LORD upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.**

Leader: The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.

People: You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 115

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

1 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing
alleluia, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon
with softer gleam, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n
along, O praise him, alleluia! Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, ye lights
of evening, find a voice, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear,
alleluia, alleluia! Thou fire so masterful and bright, that givest man both
warmth and light, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and
on him cast your care, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

5 Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and
praise the Spirit, three in one, O praise him, O praise him, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 705

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

1 I know not why God's wondrous grace to me he hath made known,
Nor why, unworthy, Christ in love redeemed me for his own.

Refrain

But "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able
To keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

2 I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart,
Nor how believing in his Word wrought peace within my heart.

3 I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing men of sin,

Revealing Jesus through the Word, creating faith in him.

4 I know not what of good or ill may be reserved for me,
Of weary ways or golden days, before his face I see.

5 I know not when my Lord may come, at night or noontide fair,
Nor if I'll walk the vale with him, or "meet him in the air."

Confession of Sin

STRASBOURG LITURGY 1545

O Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we confess and sincerely acknowledge before Your holy Majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to do evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end; therefore we purchase for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and condemnation. Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You, and we condemn ourselves and our sins with true repentance, beseeching Your grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father, most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You do blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit; that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which shall bring forth true repentance in us, putting to death all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing to You, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

STRASBOURG LITURGY 1545

This saying is true and we should believe it: that Christ Jesus came into the world to rescue sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. To all those who repent, therefore, I proclaim to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Pastoral Prayer

Reading of Holy Scripture

EPHESIANS 4:7-16 (NIV)

⁷ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.

⁸This is why it says:

"When he ascended on high, he took many captives
and gave gifts to his people."

⁹ (What does "he ascended" mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? ¹⁰ He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) ¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Sermon

DR. JOHN K. DAWSON

"Which Way Do We Grow?"

Hymn of Response *

N^o: 345

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

1 Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode:
On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove;
Who can faint, while such a river ever flows their thirst t'assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

3 Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near:
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,

Safe they feed upon the manna which he gives them when they pray.

4 Savior, if of Zion's city I, through grace, a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in thy Name:
Fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

Offertory Prayer

Gloria Patri *

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

Benediction

* Congregation Standing

Sermon Notes

Ephesians 4:7-16

“Which Way Do We Grow?”

- I. Recognize the Source of Growth in Christ

- II. Respect the Servants of Christ

- III. Respond By Serving Christ

- IV. Get Real Strong in Christ

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Online Giving: Here’s a reminder from our Treasurer regarding online giving: Your continued giving has been a blessing during these difficult times and I encourage you to continue using any method you prefer. For online giving, simply go to the website below. It’s a website that the Presbyterian Church in America’s Foundation has set up for us: <https://secure.egsnetwork.com/donate/CAA2067B89F8403>

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ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (9:30/11:00):	July 26	25/15
Live Views		22
Total Online Views		33
Children’s Sunday School		20
Last Week’s Offering:		\$ 5,850.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$ 7,194.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$ 183,492.00
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving		\$ 215,820.00 (-\$32,328)

**The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Dot Moak by Charlie Moak.**

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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** Bill Goodman
- **Ministry of the Week:** Reformed University Fellowship, Mid-South
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Scotty Dickey and Andrew Rush
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Sara Scott and Steele Stanford
- **College Student of the Week:** Brittany Wade
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**



Weddings and Babies:

- **Laura and Wilson Whitten:** Murry Jonathan, born July 16th.
- **Lacey and Dominic Aviola:** Charlotte Joan, born on July 3rd.
- **Holly and Tim Williams:** Georgia Lynn, born on June 24th.
- **Terry and Jackson Pullen:** expecting a baby boy Sept 28th
- **Sarah Carpenter and Thad Moody:** to be married in October 17th.
- **Katlyn and Joel Huddleston:** expecting a baby boy in October.
- **John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter:** to be married Nov 14th.



- **Bob Nelson:** returned home on July 27th.
- **Ken Bramlett:** still having dizzy spells.
- **Laverne Parks:** Edsell passed away July 22nd.
- **Jacquelyn Thornell:** broken ankle has healed, being weaned off the boot, looking forward to being back at church.
- **Bob Booth:** neurological disease, waiting on MRI results and appointment with 3 neurologists who will hopefully provide a diagnosis.
- **Jerry Moore:** severe pain in his ankle continues, having additional tests.
- **Gary Morrison:** Father, Gene Morrison, passed away July 2nd.
- **Bill Glover:** Parkinson's, may have Shy-Drager syndrome as well, blood pressure normalized, problems with rapid pulse rate, debilitating fatigue.
- **Lois Carman:** severe back pain from scoliosis.



Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Will Glover** (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): cancer has reappeared on the brain stem, motor functions are declining, difficulty swallowing, double vision, unable to walk, will start new radiation treatment this week.

- **Sarah Parks Martin** (relative of Bob and Carol Booth & PCA pastor's wife): breast cancer.
- **Anna Taylor** (wife of Jim Taylor, Pastor of The Pointe): cancer in her back, back at work, continuing chemo.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia, reached 2 year anniversary of bone marrow transplant.
- **Kelly Langford** (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): has had some difficult weeks since March caused by oral chemo, full dose of chemo resumed, appointment at MD Anderson postponed until mid-August.
- **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic round cell tumor; responding well to a maintenance regime of oral chemo, waiting for appointment at Sloan Kettering in New York. Although he has a long way to go, God has blessed him with the ability to enjoy hobbies and other activities.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer, June 25th scan was clear, Praise God!
- **Charles Watkins** (Sharon Nicholson's brother): at Hospice Ministries, cancer may have spread to his brain.
- **Steven Bell** (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer, doing well, just finished second round of chemo.
- **Robin Marbury Morris** (Jeanne Monsour's Niece): liver & colon cancer, continuing chemo biweekly.
- **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer, doing good, next appointment scheduled for July.
- **Leah Herbert** (Ainslie Curtis' teacher): stage 4 cervical cancer, single Mom of a 6th grader, check-up showed no treatment is needed right now, will return in 2 months for follow-up.
- **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor); Jerry Long, Batesville Pres (kidney cancer).
- **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer.



- **Service members:** Isaac Jay (Army, Fort Polk; grandson of Elton & Sonia Jay); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Matthew Hellier (Japan); S.T. Heath; Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)



- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Ken Bramlett, Evelyn Culpepper, Elsa Davis, Bob & Jody Nelson, Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts