

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

9:00 AM Sunday School
 10:00 AM Worship Service
 5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 PM Cantata Followed by Reception in the Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY

7:15 AM Devo & Donuts

Pastor Search Committee Members

Ashley Belknap	John Thompson	Alternates
Scotty Dickey	Dr. Jim Neill	Angela McInnis
Thomas Eastland		Gray Ouzts

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School - Winter Quarter: Skip Lathem is leading the study: Lessons from the Upper Room. Chapters 13 - 17 of John's Gospel record for us the, "Farewell Discourses," of Jesus, which took place the night before his crucifixion. From the humility of our Lord stooping to wash his disciples' feet, to the majesty of his High Priestly Prayer, we have much to learn from this glorious portion of Scripture. Please join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Adult Choir: We will meet this afternoon at 5:00 PM.

Christmas Cantata: We hope you will join us today at 5:30 PM for our Christmas Cantata.

Christmas Cantata Reception: There will be a reception to honor the choir in the Fellowship Hall after the Cantata. Please bring your favorite appetizers or desserts to the Fellowship Hall READY TO SERVE before 5:15.

Children's Christmas Party: Carols, Kids and Crockpots :will be Sunday, December 18th at 5:30 PM in the Sanctuary. We will sing carols, led by Brian Matthews, and hear the Christmas story, read by Jackie and Mary Thompson. We will then have a soup supper in the Fellowship Hall and the children will make a craft. **The whole church** is invited to attend this evening of worship and fellowship. Please bring a soup to share.

Adult Bible Study: will resume January 8th from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. We will continue studying Philipians.

Please Join the Women's Ministry: in a donation for College Hill Presbyterian Church in Oxford, MS. Their 178 year old sanctuary was destroyed by a fire August 13, 2022. Make checks payable to BPC with College Hill Pres Church on the memo line. Today is the deadline for giving. Thank you.

Flower Calendar: The 2023 flower calendar has been posted on the bulletin board.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School: Classes for 2 years - 6th grade meet each Sunday at 9:00 AM.

Sunday Night: No Sunday evening activities through January 1st. We will resume January 8th.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Sophia Warren **Next Week:** Taylor Vance
Nursery: Rebecca Thompson/Amy Kaiser **Next Week:** Rebecca Thompson/Jude Smith

December: All Coordinators **January 2023:** Davida Curtis

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

December: Susan Inman **January:**

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Jr and Sr High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.

Youth Fellowship: We will resume meeting on January 8th at 5:30 PM.

Sermon Notes

"Marked By Love"

1 John 4:7-12

Big Idea: The lives of God's Children must be **marked by love.**

1. God is the source of all love.
2. Jesus is the manifestation of love.
3. God's Spirit is abiding in our love.

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 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

Flower Coordinator - Sonia Jay: esjay@att.net

Dickey Shepherding Group: Angela McInnis, Ruth Lathem

Herrington Shepherding Group: Camille Herrington, Jo Stanford

Morrison Shepherding Group: Kerri Matthews, Carole Morrison,

Neill Shepherding Group: Melinda Neill, Becky Inman

Thompson Shepherding Group: Mary Thompson, Jeanne Monsour

Whitten Shepherding Group: Julie Huddleston, Elizabeth Pinkerton

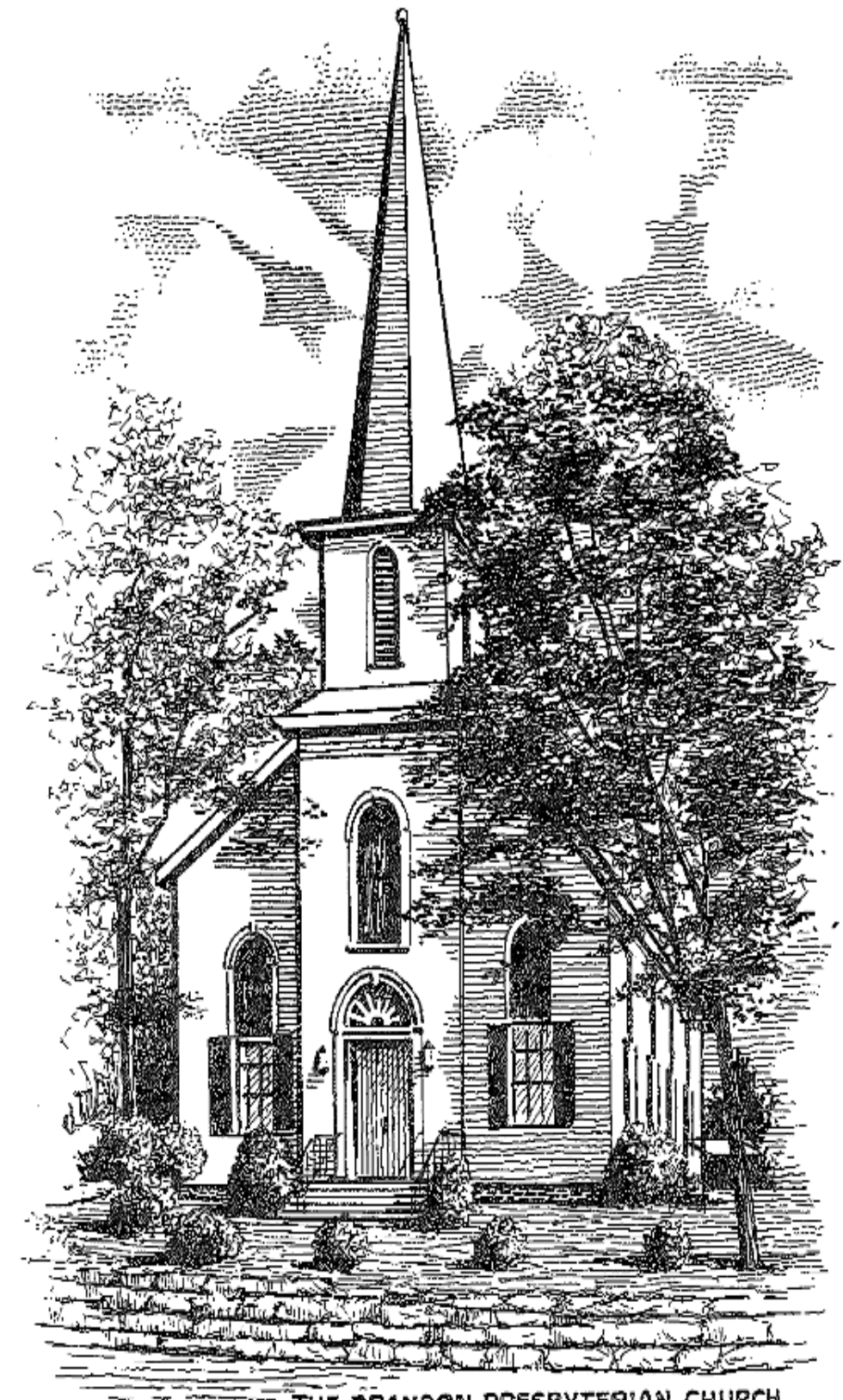
The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

To Our Visitors

We are pleased to have you 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 an usher at the end of the service. Let an usher know if you have any questions.



**THE BRANDON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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*"The Church's One Foundation
 Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord..."*

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, December 11, 2022

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

Meditation

JOHN CALVIN

“Only a perfect righteousness can stand in the judgment, and the Christian can have such righteousness only outside himself and in the perfection of Christ.”

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/ Preparation for Worship

JACK INMAN, PIANO

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

Call to Worship *

PSALM 63:1-4

Leader: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you,

People: as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

Leader: Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

People: So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands.

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise *

N^o.195

“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

Athanasian Creed

Leader: For this is the true faith that we believe and confess: That our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man. He is God, begotten before all worlds from the being of the Father, and he is man, born in the world from the being of his mother - existing fully as God, and fully as man with a rational soul and a human body;

All: He is completely one in the unity of his person, without confusing his natures. For as the rational soul and body are one person, so the one Christ is God and man. He suffered death for our salvation. He descended into hell and rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. At his coming all people shall rise bodily to give an account of their own deeds. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done; On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts; As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 203

“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory

JACQUELYN THORNELL

“Coventry Carol” - Lani Smith

Doxology *

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music

ADULT CHOIR

“The First Noel”

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

Reading of Holy Scripture

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1 John 4:7-12

Sermon

MR. STEVEN DAHL

“Marked By Love”

Hymn of Response *

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“Angels from the Realms of Glory”

Closing Prayer

Postlude *

*Congregation Standing

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00): December 4	113
Live Views:	5
Total Online views:	25
Sunday School:	113
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 8,956.00
Online Giving:	\$ 99.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 7,650.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$374,418.00 (-432.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$374,850.00

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 AM — 12:30 PM

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:**
- **Ministry of the Week:** French Camp
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Gary Morrison, John Thompson
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Sam & John Palmer Word
- **College Student of the Week:** Ainslie Curtis
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

Weddings and Babies:

- **Matt Stowers and Kara Beth Carter:** to be married May 6th.
- **Lacey Morrison Avioli:** expecting a boy December 15th.
- **Terry Word Pullen:** expecting another boy January 1st.
- **Anna Kate Stowers:** expecting a baby boy February 20th.
- **Laura Whitten:** expecting a boy April 1st.
- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): leukemia; had BMT on June 1st. Had his last clinic visit last Thursday. He was scheduled to have his central line removed, but his CD3 counts are not rising as expected. Still having some blood in his urine; will see a urologist at his next visit. Pray his CD3 counts rise and they find out what is causing the blood in his urine.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's nephew): is under a doctor's care at UAB with kidney issues; he will be undergoing treatments for an extended period.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth's son-in-law): continues to do well. Wears a monitor to monitor his heart 24/7.
- **Jim Smith:** fractured vertebra (L3); please pray for no further complications and healing.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Bill Monsour** (Hays Monsour's grandfather): is taking chemo; cancer has returned to his back; needs prayer.
- **Dick Cauthen** (friend of Brian and Kerri Matthews): The latest PET scan showed all the masses throughout his body are almost nonexistent. He will continue chemo through February, 2023. He needs to gain weight and build strength. Prayer is powerful.
- **Marilyn Blakeney** (Chris Blakeney's Mom): has completed radiation, is back home and doing well. She will have chemo every 21 days through next March. In April, 2023, she will have a scan to make sure everything is clear.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer; his next scan is Tuesday. We are so grateful for God's mercies and our praying church family.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia, sleep apnea and avascular necrosis in his ankles & knees; all is stable. Thank you for your prayers.

- **Service members:** Matthew Hellier, CA; Glenn Stewart, Fort Campbell (Sam Heath's nephew); Jesse Thomas Dickey; Joey Brown (Barbara Fowler's nephew); Laurel and Aaron Arnold, Fort Story (Jeff & Lisa Bynum's Daughter and son-in-law)
- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Jody Nelson, Laverne Roberts

We hope you will join us for our Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve at 5:00 PM.

To livestream [the service](#) go to:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGmzy521B7L2DpUAATtzGHA>

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