

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY
 9:00 AM Sunday School
 10:00 AM Worship Service
 4:45 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 5:30 PM Adult Bible Study, Children’s Evening Activities and Youth

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

Communion: Prepare your hearts to receive the Lord’s Supper on April 2nd.
Adult Sunday School - Spring Quarter: Dr. John Belknap is teaching a class on the distinctives of the Reformed faith entitled, **Presbyterian, What do you believe? A deep dive into some of the basics.** John will be focusing on the Five Points of Calvinism. You will learn what these basics of the Reformed faith are and why they are important to your walk with Christ, as we study Scripture together. Whether you were raised in a Presbyterian church, or are just being introduced to the Reformed faith, this will be a wonderful opportunity for us all to grow in our understanding of God's sovereign grace. Please join us each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 AM.
Adult Choir: Choir rehearsal today from 4:45-5:30 PM.
Adult Bible Study: (5:30 - 7:00 PM) All adults are invited to study *Sermon on the Mount: Kingdom Life in a Fallen World* by Sinclair Ferguson. We hope you will join us as we discuss this book on the greatest sermon ever preached. Books will be provided by the church. We meet in the Choir Classroom with Nate Inman leading.
Flower Calendar: The 2023 flower calendar has been posted on the bulletin board.
French Camp: The Missions, Ministries, and Outreach Committee would like to raise money for one of our supported ministries, French Camp Academy. Currently, French Camp has several needs, including new windows for the dorms, new computers and clothing. They have indicated that the new windows are their most urgent need. Today is the last day the Committee will be accepting donations for the benefit of French Camp. On March 26, French Camp will be present during the Worship Service to give us an update on their ministry. We would like to present them with the money that we have raised at that time. If you would like to make a donation, make your checks payable to BPC, and write “French Camp” in the memo line.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

Sunday School: Classes for 2 years - 6th grade meet each Sunday at 9:00 AM.
Sunday Night: Catechism Club will be on Sunday evenings starting tonight - June 25th. Please study and come prepared to answer a few questions each night. The two younger classes will be studying the meaning of catechism questions and the 4th- 6th will continue learning how to study the Bible. (If you need a catechism book, please see Susan Inman.)

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Lou Woods **Next Week:** Nolan Blakenry
Nursery: Rebecca Thompson/ (SS)/Cortney Greer (WS)/Cassie Warren
Next Week: Molly Eastland/Amy Kaiser
March: Gray Ouzts **April:** Ellie Word

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

March: Joe & Cathy Costello **April:**

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Jr. and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.
Youth Fellowship: Youth Group meets Sunday nights at 5:30 PM.

Sermon Notes

“Here Comes the Bridegroom!”
 John 3:22-36

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OFFICERS

Elders: 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

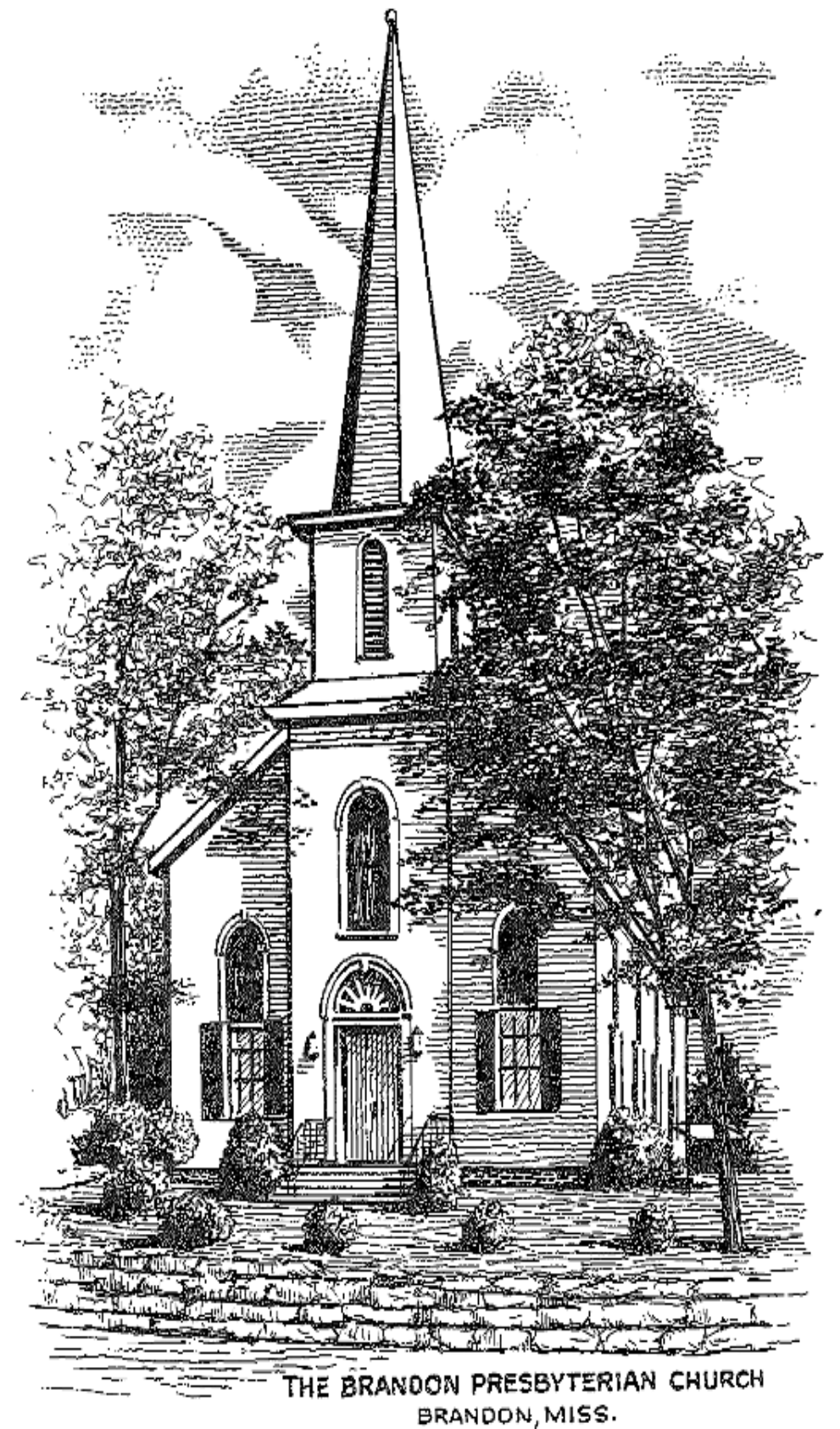
Women’s Ministry

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
 Flower Coordinator - Sonia Jay: esjay@att.net

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, March 19, 2023

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

Meditation AUGUSTINE
"You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in You."

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/ Preparation for Worship JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST
"O Lord Divine, What Hast Thou Done" - Wesley/Woodbury

Call to Worship * PSALM 84:1-2, 10
Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
People: My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;
Leader: my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
People: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Invocation *

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 44
"How Great Thou Art!"

Confession of Faith WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM, Q&A 67-69
Leader: What is the sixth commandment?
People: The sixth commandment is: You shall not murder.
Leader: What does the sixth commandment require?
People: The sixth commandment requires making every lawful effort to preserve one's own life and the lives of others.

Leader: What does the sixth commandment forbid?
People: The sixth commandment forbids taking one's own life or the lives of others unjustly or doing anything that leads to suicide or murder.

Vows of Membership Jose Lopez

Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory MARSHA GLOVER, PIANIST
"At Calvary/At the Cross"

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 JOSE LOPEZ
"If I Stand" by Rich Mullins

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGE 752
John 3:22-36

Sermon REV. EARL ADAMS
"Here Comes The Bridegroom!"

Hymn of Response * N^o. 264
"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

Benediction

Postlude *
*congregation Standing

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00): March 5	92
Live Views:	6
Total Online views:	38
Sunday School:	49
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 3,142.00
Online Giving:	\$ 3,095.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 8,345.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$100,169.00 (+8,374.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$ 91,795.00

Next Sunday, March 26 at 5:30 p.m., Joe and Laurel Barnes will be Visiting with us and providing an update on their missions efforts in Peru. Please join us for a potluck meal as we fellowship with and encourage the Barnes family, while learning more about their current ministry and needs.

To livestream the service go to:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGmzy521B7L2DpUAATtzGHA>
Hit the "Subscribe" button and then turn on "Notifications" by clicking on the bell. If you have trouble subscribing to the livestream contact Darrin Tolar via text message at (601) 720-1157 and he will respond ASAP.

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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** Caleb & Miyoung Cheon, Taiwan
- **Ministry of the Week:** RUF (Reformed University Fellowship) Mid-South
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Walt Herrington, Brian Smith, Darrin Tolar
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Ejay and Gracey Napier
- **College Student of the Week:** Rebecca Groebe
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**



Weddings and Babies:

- **Laura Whitten:** expecting a boy April 1st.
- **Matt Stowers and Kara Beth Carter:** to be married May 6th.



- **Tina Tolar:** dealing with rheumatoid issues, fibromyalgia, diabetes, and cirrhosis.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's 19 yr. old nephew): continued checkups at UAB show that dialysis is helping and the search for a transplant looks very promising at this time.
- **Mary Ruth Ruffin:** pray for her as she continues to recuperate after having a pacemaker put in. Her left arm is in a sling for a couple more weeks.
- **Will Saulter** (Jan Heath's 20 year old neighbor): diagnosed with brain cancer; undergoing radiation treatments.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth's son-in-law): Continues to do well. Will continue to wear a heart monitor and take medication for his heart indefinitely.
- **Jim Smith:** fractured vertebra (L3); please pray for no further complications and healing.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): leukemia; had BMT on June 1st. Had his first monthly doctor visit; things continue to remain stable. His t-cells haven't moved up much. Pray they move up and for continued healing. Thank you!
- **Dick Cauthen** (friend of Brian and Kerri Matthews): had a PET scan last week and it showed that there are spots between his liver and right kidney. He will have a biopsy done tomorrow, March 13th.
- **Bill Monsour** (Hays Monsour's grandfather): Continues with chemo for cancer in his back. His outlook is positive.
- **Jim Smith:** Jim has had another stable scan. We are praising God for His goodness and mercy to us!!!
- **Marilyn Blakeney** (Chris Blakeney's Mom): has completed radiation, is back home and doing well. She will have chemo every 21 days through March. In April she will have a scan to make sure everything is clear.
- **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.



- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Jody Nelson, Laverne Roberts



- **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, (Jeff & Lisa Bynum's Daughter and son-in-law); Baylor Griggs, Marine boot camp (Scott Word's nephew)