

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

9:00 AM Sunday School
 9:55 AM Worship Service
 5:00 PM Adult Choir
 5:30 PM Children's, Youth and Adult Studies
 7:15 PM Missions Committee Meeting

TUESDAY

9:30 AM & 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

7:15 AM Devo and Donuts
 5:30 PM Session Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor's Welcome Class – Pastor Brad will teach a class for any prospective members and anyone who has not had an opportunity to attend a membership class. The class will meet for 6-8 weeks beginning today during Sunday School at 9:00 AM in one of the upstairs classrooms. See Pastor Brad for more information.

Adult Fall Sunday School Class: The adult Fall Sunday School class facilitated by Skip Lathem began this morning; it is a study based on Dr. R. C. Sproul's book – *Loved by God*. With Dr. Sproul as our guide, we will discover the threefold nature of God's love: His electing *benevolence*, His redeeming *beneficence*, and His rewarding *complacency*.

Adult Book Study: Resumes tonight at 5:30-7:00 PM, studying *Forgive: Why Should I and How Can I* by Timothy Keller. Nate Inman will be leading.

New Committee Structure : Please review the committees listed below and let any of the elders know if you are interested in joining one. You may continue to serve in your current committee or shift to one that better fits your gifts and interests.

- *Worship*
- *Missions*
- *Discipleship*
- *Fellowship*
- *Administration*

Mustard Seed Handbell Choir concert: Wednesday, September 20th at 6pm. After the concert, we will have pizza, salad and cookies. If you would like to stay for supper, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board by September 17th.

Devo & Donuts: Resumes Wednesday at 7:15 AM. All students in 6th-8th grade are invited to join us every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month the students are in school.

Ladies Monthly Bible Study: begins Tuesday and will meet every second Tuesday at 9:30 AM or 6:30 PM (except December). We are studying 1 Timothy, "Entrusted To Be Invested" by Karen Hodge and Susan Hunt. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation to defray the cost of the books.

Ladies Weekly Bible Study: Lisa Hellier will be teaching a 10 week study on Hebrews. It will meet Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM beginning September 27. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation to defray the cost of the books.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

Sunday Night: Children's Sunday Evening Program is from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. The 2 yr. olds - K5 and 1st - 3rd graders are studying the Parables of Jesus. The 4th - 6th graders are reading *Pilgrim's Progress* and will discuss gospel truths and the work of Christ in the life of a believer.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Sophie Warren	Next Week: Taylor Vance
Nursery: Cortney Greer/Amy Kaiser	Next Week: Rebecca T./Melinda N.
September: Rebecca Thompson	October: Molly Eastland

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

September: Gray Ouzts	October: Melinda Neill
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Sermon Notes

"The Indestructible Kingdom"
 Daniel 2:24-49

PARDON OUR PROGRESS

During the next several days we will be replacing the flooring in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen, offices, and hallways. Please be patient and understanding as we continue to make improvements to our facilities.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

Youth Fellowship: Youth Group will resume tonight at 5:30 PM.

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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 in memory of
 Stephanie Luby Dupree from your loving Twins, Alex and Amber.

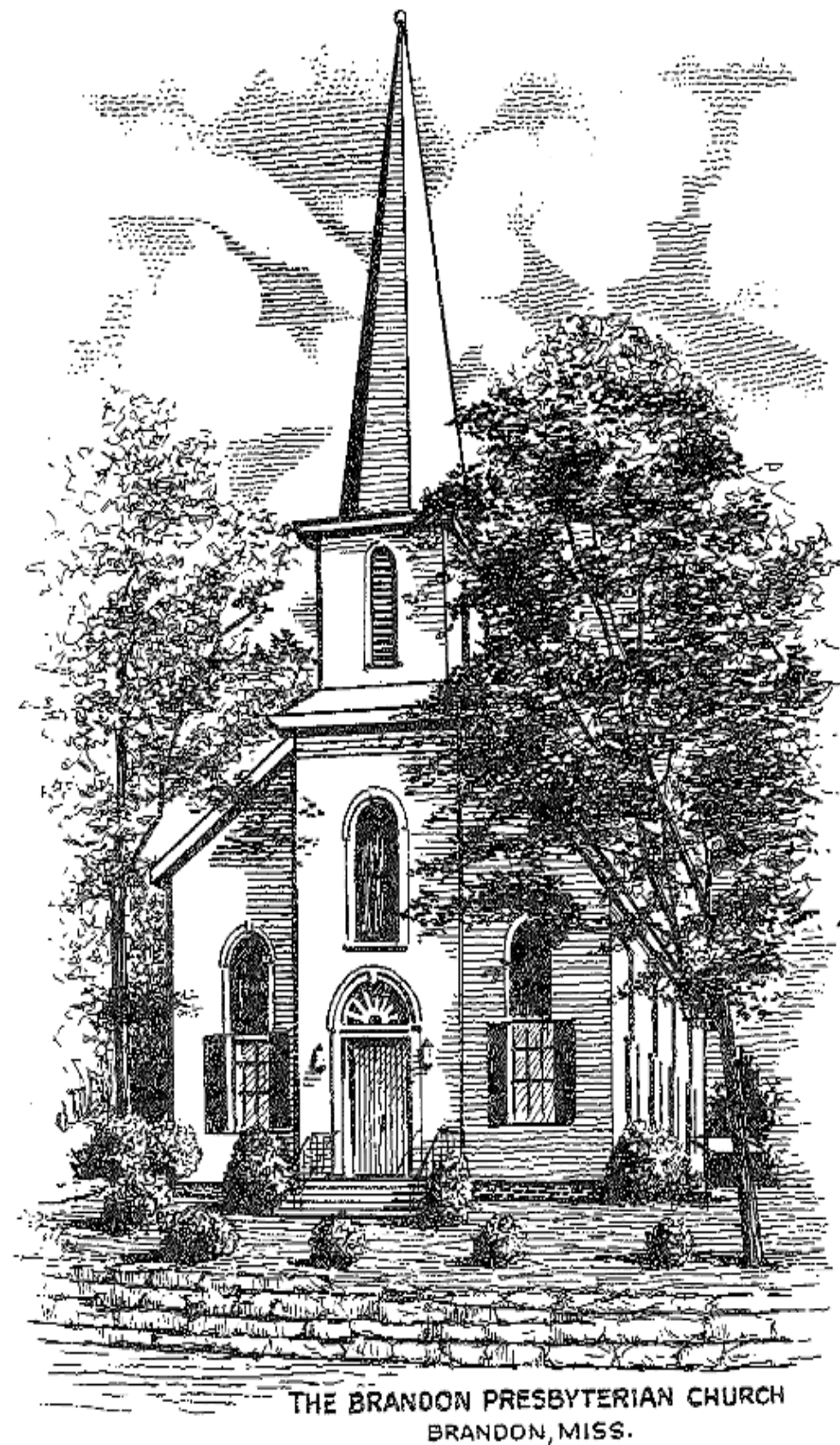
To Our Visitors

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.



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

Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, September 10, 2023

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

Meditation

A. LENGLET

- A Dream statue representing four kingdoms (Ch.2)
- B Worship the golden statue or perish in a pit (Ch. 3)
- C Judgment on Nebuchadnezzar (Ch. 4)
- C’ Judgment on Belshazzar (Ch. 5)
- B’ Worship Darius or perish in a pit (Ch. 6)
- A’ Dream of four beasts representing four kingdoms (Ch. 7)

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/Preparation for Worship JACQUELYN THORNELL, ORGANIST
“Meditation” - Thiman

Call to Worship * PSALM 47:8-9; REVELATION 11:17

Pastor: God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. Gather all the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted!

People: We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign.

Invocation PSALM 28:8-9

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 73
“Rejoice, All People, Homage Give”

Confession of Faith / Catechesis:

Second Helvetic Confession XVII – “Of the Catholic and Holy Church of God, and of the One Only Head of the Church”

Forasmuch as God from the beginning would have men to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of the truth (1 Tim. 2:4), therefore it is necessary that there always should have been, and should be at this day, and to the end of the world, a Church—that is, a company of the faithful called and gathered out of the world; a communion, I say, of all saints, that is, of them who truly know and rightly worship and serve the true God, in Jesus Christ the Savior, by the word of the Holy Spirit, and who by faith are partakers of all those good graces which are freely offered through Christ. These all are citizens of one and the same city, living under one Lord, under the same laws, and in the same fellowship of all good things; for the apostle calls them “fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God” (Eph. 2:19); calling the faithful upon the earth saints (1 Cor. 4:1), who are sanctified by the blood of the Son of God. The article of the Creed, “I believe in the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,” is to be understood wholly as concerning these saints.

Confession of Sin Ezekiel 33:11

Say to them, ‘As I live!’ declares the Lord God, ‘I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways! Why then will you die, O house of Israel?’

Assurance of Pardon PSALM 103:8, 10-12

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness...He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 710
“God of Our Fathers”

Pastoral Prayer WALT HERRINGTON

God’s Tithes & Our Offerings MATTHEW 6:2-4

When therefore you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be honored by men. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing that your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

Offertory JACQUELYN THORNELL
“In the Garden” - Miles/Webb

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 ANDREW RUSH

Anthem ADULT CHOIR
“A Clean Heart” by Benjamin Harlan (Psalm 51:10)

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGES 626-627
Daniel 2:24-49

Sermon REV. BRAD MILLS
“The Indestructible Kingdom”

Hymn of Response * N^o. 347
“The Church’s One Foundation”

Benediction REVELATION 1:4-5

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.

*Congregation Standing

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10:00): Sept 3	124
Live Views: (10:00 AM/6:00 PM)	10
Total Online views:	67
Sunday School:	110
Last Week’s Offering:	\$ 9,986.00
Online Giving:	\$ 149.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 8,345.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$316,127.00 (+15,707.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$300,420.00

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Month:** David & Robin White (Atlanta; Field Support)
- **Ministry of the Month:** Palmer Home
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Gary Morrison, John Thompson
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Joel & Caroline Ouzts
- **College Student of the Week:** Jesse Dickey
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

Weddings and Babies:

- **Meredith Pennebaker** (Jim & Melinda Neill’s daughter): expecting a boy October 21st.
- **Chauncey Blakeney:** expecting another boy November 6th. (Baby shower 9/17; 2 PM)
- **Cortney Greer:** expecting a girl January 6, 2024
- **Megan Stowers:** expecting a girl January 23, 2024.
- **Savannah Brewer:** expecting a baby March 17, 2024

- **Frank Clayton:** at St. Dominics for heart issues and dehydration; will have heart cath, EKG and check on his kidneys.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's 20 yr. old nephew): is at home (Meridian). Please pray for his recovery to continue.
- **Charlie Moak:** dealing with medical issues; please keep him in your prayers.
- **Tina Tolar:** dealing with rheumatoid issues, fibromyalgia, diabetes, and cirrhosis.
- **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.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Will Saulter** (Jan Heath’s 21 year old neighbor): diagnosed with brain cancer. His MRI results showed that he is stable; his tumor has not grown. Thank you for your continued prayers.
- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee’s son): leukemia; June 1st we received news that Ames had relapsed. Ames has started two different oral chemo pills and is tolerating it well. Will test his peripheral blood monthly to check for the translocation t6;9 and FLT3. Last blood draw showed that he was moving in the right direction. Pray that the Lord will help us and guide us to the right decision for Ames.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): had his annual check up July 27th. He has gone five years without a relapse and is now classified as cured.
- **Jack Thompson** (Scott Word’s uncle): esophageal cancer; is still in ICU at UAB Birmingham. He has been up and down, but recently seems to have improved.
- **Marilyn Blakeney** (Chris Blakeney’s Mom): continues to do well; will continue with periodic visits to her doctor.
- **Jim Smith:** Jim’s scan was stable. We are so grateful to God for His mercies. We are over 5 1/2 years out now from his cancer surgery.
- **Dick Cauthen** (friend of Brian and Kerri Matthews): had another PET scan. His cancer has grown exponentially; he has begun a very aggressive chemotherapy.
- **Bill Monsour** (Hays Monsour’s grandfather): Continues chemo to control his cancer.

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

- **Service members:** Baylor Griggs, Fort Lejeune, NC, Infantry training (Scott Word’s nephew); 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)

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower for Cortney Greer as they prepare to welcome Emma Katharine into their family. It will be Sunday, October 15 at 2:00 PM at the church. If you would like to help or have questions, please call or text Camille Herrington, 601-201-7876. Cortney is registered at Babylist.