

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

9:00 AM Sunday School
 9:55 AM Worship Service
 4:30 PM Deacons' Meeting
 5:00 PM Adult Choir
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service
 7:15 PM Missions Committee

TUESDAY

9:00 AM Mississippi Valley Presbytery Meeting

WEDNESDAY

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School - Winter Quarter: This quarter Walt Herrington is leading a study called *Facing the Final Enemy: the Christian and Death*. It will be based primarily on a Guy Waters course & book of the same name. Please join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Night Fellowship: This Wednesday we will have a catered dinner from 5:30-6:30 PM followed by children and youth activities and adult studies from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. Meals start at \$5 a person with a \$15 cap for families of three or more. Two nursery volunteers are needed at 6:20 PM each Wednesday.

Presbytery Meeting: We are hosting the next presbytery meeting on Tuesday, February 6th from 9:00 AM to 5 PM. We will need a few volunteers who can be available throughout the day, and several more during the lunch hour.

Mug & Muffin: Please join us on Saturday, February 17th, for a come and go fellowship from 8:30-10:30 AM. Bring a mug and if you like, a treat to share.

Save the Date: There will be a baby shower for Savannah Brewer at 2:00 PM on Sunday, February 25th.

Save the Date: MVP Women's Ministry Workshop, "Created for Connection", led by Connie Miller on Saturday, March 2nd, from 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM at RTS Chapel; \$20 workshop fee (Includes booklet and lunch).

Flowers: The 2024 flower calendar is on the bulletin board; please sign up to reserve a date or call the church office and Barbara will sign you up.

Music Ministry

This morning we welcome Josh Peoples who will play our organ and piano for BPC church services. Josh has most recently served as the organist at First United Methodist Church of Carthage, MS. He has been accompanying congregational singing for more than two decades and is a talented and dedicated musician.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

Wednesday Night: Children's activities are on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30 PM. The Children are studying the catechism.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY

Bell Ringer: Steele Stanford **Next Week:** Sophie Warren

Nursery: Ellie Word (SS), Hutton Curtis (WS)/Amy Kaiser

PM: Susan & Jack Inman **Wednesday:** Gray Ouzts

Next Sunday: Gray Ouzts/Amy Kaiser **PM:** Rebecca Thompson, Carrie Mills

Wednesday: Gray Ouzts

February: Ellie Word **March:** Davida Curtis

Children's Church: Will & Savannah Brewer **Next week:** Lauren Hoge & Jackson Smith

YOUTH MINISTRY

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

Youth Fellowship: Youth Group meets Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM. Supper is at 5:30 PM; \$5.00 per individual with a maximum of \$15.00 for families.

Sermon Notes

"A Time to Pray"

Daniel 9:1-3

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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: Ruth Lathem

Herrington Shepherding Group: 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.

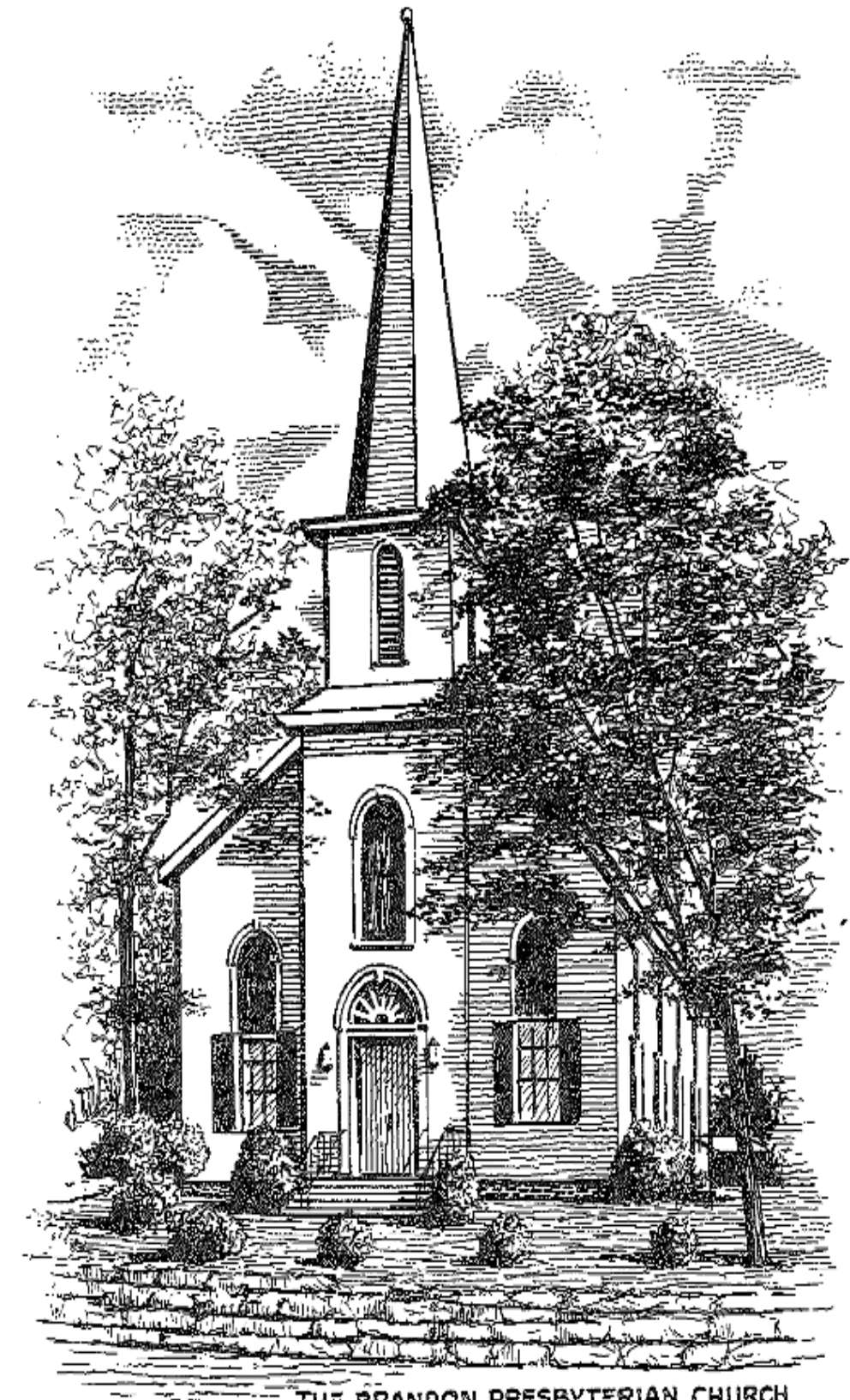
To Our Visitors

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, February 4, 2024

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

Meditation

SAMUEL JOHNSON

O Lord, in whose hands are life and death, by whose power I am sustained, and by whose mercy I am spared—look down upon me with pity. Forgive me that I have until now so much neglected the duty which you have assigned to me, and suffered the days and hours of which I must give account to pass away without any endeavor to accomplish your will. Make me to remember, O God, that every day is your gift, and ought to be used according to your command...through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/Preparation for Worship

JOSH PEOPLES, ORGANIST

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

Call to Worship *

ISAIAH 55:1-3, 6

Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; those who have no money, come and buy without price. The Lord has made with you an everlasting covenant. Listen diligently to him, and hear, that your soul may live. Seek him while he may be found; call upon him while he is near.

Invocation

2 CHRONICLES 30:8-9

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 167

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell[†]; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church[†]; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* "descended into hell" = descended into the place of the dead, not of eternal punishment.

† catholic church"= the church exists universally, not just in one culture or denomination

Receiving New Members

REV. BRAD MILLS

Claire Langley, with her son Wilson

Hymn of Praise *

N^o. 634

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Pastoral Prayer

SCOTTY DICKEY

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.

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

Offertory

JOSH PEOPLES, ORGAN

"How Great Thou Art" with "How Great Is Our God"

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

SCOTTY DICKEY

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

Reading of Holy Scripture

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Daniel 9:1-3

Sermon

REV. BRAD MILLS

"A Time to Pray"

Hymn of Response *

N^o. 629

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Benediction

1KINGS 6:13, 1 THESSALONIANS 5:24

Hear the Lord's good promise to David, to Solomon, and to all his people: "I will dwell among the children of Israel and will not forsake my people Israel." He is faithful; he will surely do it. Go in peace.

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.

*Congregation Standing

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10 AM/6 PM): Jan 28 129/77

Live Views: (10 AM/6PM) 7/3

Total Online views: 41/20

Sunday School: 105

Last Week's Offering: \$ 3,869.00

Online Giving: \$ 449.00

Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$ 9,390.00

Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 29,786.00 (-7,774)

Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving: \$ 37,560.00

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IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** Joe & Laurel Barns, Peru
- **Ministry of the Week:** BPC Sewing Ministry (Women's Ministry Project Group)
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Scotty Dickey, Andrew Rush
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Caitlin & Thatcher Mills
- **College Student of the Week:** Ainslie Curtis
- God would bless us with new conversions, visitors, families, & members.

Weddings and Babies:

- **Eli Whitten and Eliot Jones:** to be married June 15, 2024
- **Savannah Brewer:** expecting a girl March 17, 2024

- **Lois & Jimmy Carman :** Lois fell early Friday morning and is at Baptist Hospital. Jimmy is out of ICU, feeling much better, but still experiencing some pain. He has been moved to Belhaven Select, a long- term care hospital. Please continue to pray for the Carman and Costello families.
- **Elton Jay:** Funeral Service for Elton is this afternoon at Ott & Lee at 1:30 PM. Please keep Sonia and the family in your prayers.
- **Bill Inman:** had a biopsy at VA; waiting for results.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth's son-in-law): will continue treatment for a very rare heart condition. Thank you for all your prayers.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's 20 yr. old nephew): is at home in Meridian. Please pray for his recovery to continue.
- **Charlie Moak:** dealing with medical issues; please keep him in your prayers.
- **Tina Tolar:** dealing with several chronic illnesses.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): leukemia; is participating in a clinical trial for relapsed AML kids at St. Jude. The results of his bone marrow and MRD test are negative which is great. For now the plan is to keep him on the 2 oral chemo pills for 1 more week, then when his counts are trending up start IV chemo for 5 days. Once his counts drop and come back up he will have another bone marrow aspirate to check his MRD. If MRD is negative we proceed to BMT (bone marrow transplant). Please continue to pray that his treatment works and that his body will tolerate it and his nutrition will improve. He is still fatigued and has lost some weight. Thank you all for your prayers.
- **Trent Atkinson** (Sue Bohnen's son): chemo and radiation treatments were started on January 4th; please pray they will be effective.
- **Jim Smith:** had another stable scan; we are praising God for His mercies.
- **Dick Cauthen** (friend of Brian and Kerri Matthews): recently completed chemo and got a good report from his oncologist. Will have a PET scan this month.
- **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.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): had his annual check up. He has gone five years without a relapse and is now classified as cured.
- **Marilyn Blakeney** (Chris Blakeney's Mom): continues to do well; will continue with periodic visits to her doctor.
- **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)