

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

9:00 AM Sunday School
 9:55 AM Worship Service
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

TUESDAY

9:30 AM Women's Ministry Leadership Team

WEDNESDAY

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Fellowship

FRIDAY

Missions Team leaves for Mini VBS, Monroe, LA;
 (returning Sunday, June 2nd.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School - June-September: Bill Inman will lead a study called "the Birth Of A New Nation." The study is from the first 12 chapters of Exodus. Please join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Adult Choir: There will be no choir rehearsal today.

Wednesday Night Fellowship: This Wednesday we will have Pizza from 5:30-6:30 PM followed by children and youth activities and an adult study from 6:30 -7:30 PM. Meals start at \$5 a person with a \$15 cap for families of three or more.

New Adult Bible Study: Adults are studying *Colossians* on Wednesday nights through June 12th. Each week a discussion will be led by an elder or deacon in training.

Mini VBS: The Missions Team and Youth are partnering with Ouachita Pres (Bonds Church Plant in Monroe, Louisiana) to host a Vacation Bible School for the Monroe area children from this Friday, May 31 to June 1. Please be in prayer for this group as they plan, prepare and then execute this VBS. Pray specifically that they will reach children who have never heard the Gospel!

Vacation Bible School: All children ages 3 years old - entering 6th grade are invited to join us for an exciting week of learning, games, crafts and songs June 17-21 from 5:30 - 8:15 PM. This year we will be learning what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Families are invited to join us for dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 5:30 PM. Invite a friend or grandchild! We'd love to have them. Please sign up your child, friend or grandchild on the bulletin board, so we know how to plan. Please see Susan Inman, Gray Ouzts or Molly Eastland if you have questions.

VBS Donations: We'd love your help with VBS this year! Sign up on the bulletin board to bring a food item for our children's meals. Thank you! If you have any questions, please see Susan Inman.

Made for More Conference: An intergenerational conference for ladies and girls 3rd grade-high school and college at Covenant Presbyterian church in Birmingham, AL on September 13-14, 2024. For more information or to register go to <https://women.pcacdm.org/made-for-more-birmingham/>.

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 SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Jesse Greer **Next Week:** Keaton Hoge

Nursery: Melinda Neill/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:** Susan & Jack Inman

Next Sunday: (SS), Lauren Mills (W)/Amy Kaiser

Evening Service:

May: Davida Curtis **June:** Gray Ouzts

Children's Church: Susan Inman & Patrick Carpenter **Next week:** Amelia Carpenter & Jack Inman

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.

Sermon Notes

"Every Spiritual Blessing"
 Ephesians 1:3

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 Luther Stowers, John Thompson, Darrin Tolar

Officers Emeritus:

Elders: Charlie Moak, Elton Jay †, Jim McBryer †

Deacons: John McInnis †, Ken Bramlett †, Edsel Parks †, Richard Harrison

Women's Ministry

Dickey Shepherding Group: Nancilynn Dickey

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

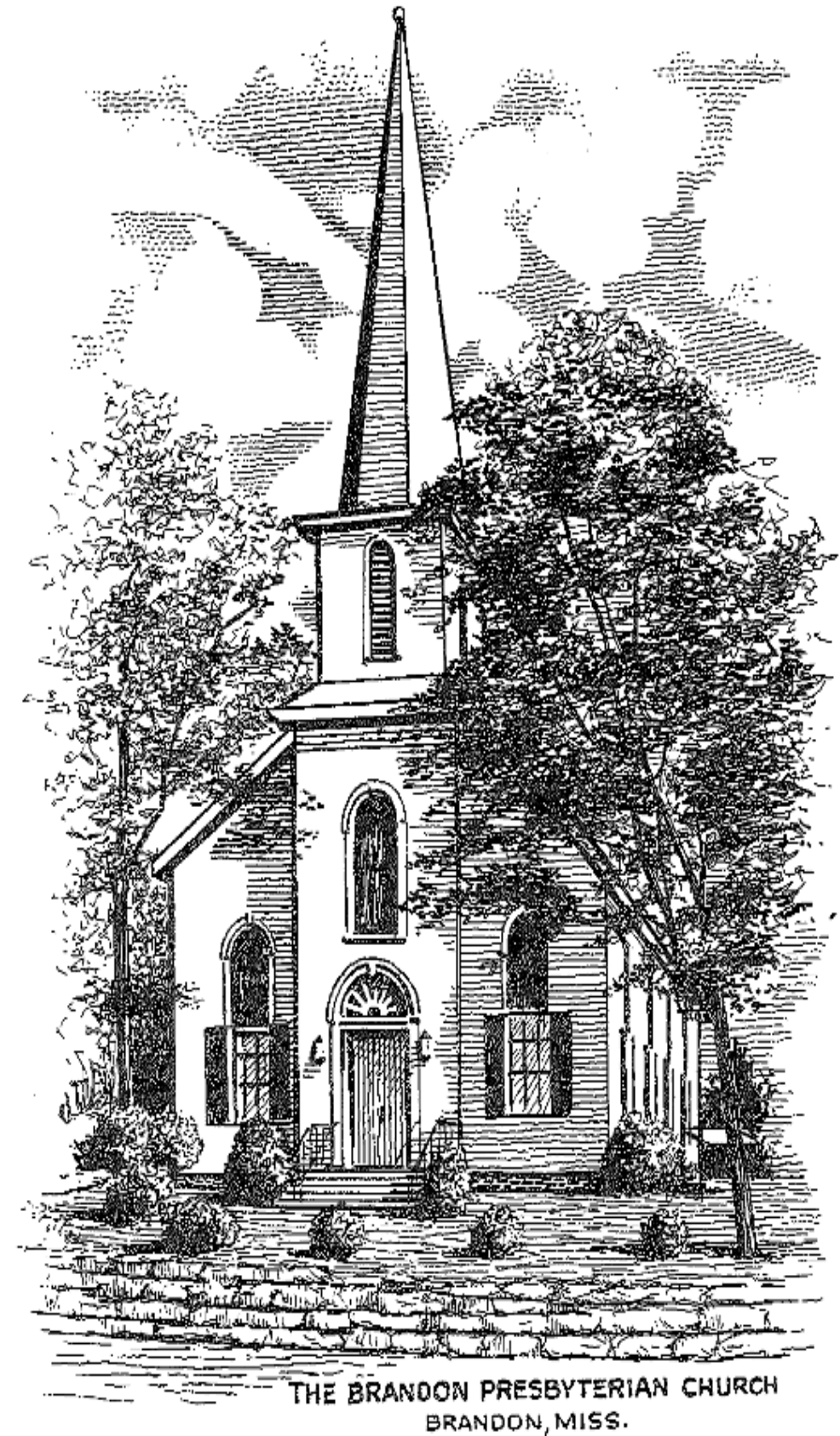
Flower Coordinator - Sonia Jay: esjay@att.net

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in memory
 and honor to all who have served our nation's military
 and always to the glory of God by Anjan & Lisa Karmacharya

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 Pastor Mills at the end of the service. Let an usher or Pastor Mills 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, May 26, 2024

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

Meditation JOHN STOTT
These blessings are spiritual not merely because they pertain to the soul, but because derived from the Holy Spirit, whose presence and influence are the great blessing purchased by Christ'

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/Preparation for Worship MARSHA GLOVER, PIANIST
"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" arr. Tom Fettke

Call to Worship * EPHESIANS 1: 3-4
Pastor: Come and bless the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.
People: The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

Invocation DEUTERONOMY 26:10-11, 15

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 107
"Praise Ye the Father!"

Confession of Faith WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM – QUESTION 57-59
Q. 57. What benefits hath Christ procured by his mediation?
A. Christ, by his mediation, hath procured redemption, with all other benefits of the covenant of grace.
Q. 58. How do we come to be made partakers of the benefits which Christ hath procured?
A. We are made partakers of the benefits which Christ hath procured, by the application of them unto us, which is the work especially of God the Holy Ghost.
Q. 59. Who are made partakers of redemption through Christ?
A. Redemption is certainly applied, and effectually communicated, to all those for whom Christ hath purchased it; who are in time by the Holy Ghost enabled to believe in Christ according to the gospel.

Confession of Sin JOHN CALVIN
Lord God, eternal and Almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge without pretense before your holy Majesty, that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption; prone to do what is evil, incapable of any good; and that in our depravity, we endlessly transgress your holy commandments. And so, in your just judgment, we deserve ruin and damnation. But Lord, we are displeased with ourselves for having offended you, and we condemn ourselves and our vices with true repentance, longing for your grace to relieve our distress. May you, therefore, have mercy upon us, most gentle and merciful God and Father, in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon PSALM 103:8-12
The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Hymn of Praise * N^o. 516
"Jesus, I Live to Thee"

Pastoral Prayer JIM NEILL

God's Tithes & Our Offerings PROVERBS 3:9-10
Honor the Lord from your wealth, and from the first of all your produce; so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.

Offertory MARSHA GLOVER
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Chris Rice

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 JIM NEILL

Anthem ADULT CHOIR
"Wings of the Dawn" - Linda A. Spencer

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGE 976
Ephesians 1:3

Sermon REV. BRAD MILLS
"Every Spiritual Blessing"

Hymn of Response * N^o. 334
"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Benediction GENESIS 12:1-3
The Lord said to Abram, "I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. In you, all the families of the earth shall be blessed." *You who are children of Abraham, hear God's benediction: you are blessed beyond measure by the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—the one who is, and was, and ever shall be. 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. Amen.

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (10 AM/6 PM): May 19 128/56
Live Views: 2/4
Total Online views: 50/38
Sunday School: 82
Last Week's Offering: \$ 4,944.00
Online Giving: \$ 1,292.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$ 9,390.00
Year-to-Date Giving: \$181,163.00 (-6,607)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving: \$187,770.00

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** Eli Whitten (RUF)
- **Ministry of the Week:** Simon Jooste (South Africa Church Plant)
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Jim Neill, Nate Inman
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Joseph, Adelaide, & Thomas Carpenter
- **College Student of the Week:** Will Tolar
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

Weddings and Babies:

- **Eli Whitten & Eliot Jones:** to be married June 15th
- **Aaron & Laurel Arnold** (Jeff & Lisa Bynum's daughter & son-in - law): expecting a baby girl mid-June
- **Matthew & Chelsea Rush** (Andrew & Deanna Rush's son & daughter-in-law): expecting a baby in July
- **John & Anna Kate Stowers:** expecting a baby boy in September

- **BPC Children's Ministry:** Please pray for our Children's Ministry during the month of June. Pray for VBS, children's safety throughout the summer, growth in Christ, Sunday School classes, etc.

- **Charlie Moak:** currently receiving home hospice care; please keep Charlie and his family in your prayers.
- **Bill Curtis** (James Curtis's Dad): left the hospital Wednesday; receiving home hospice care. Please keep Bill & his family in your prayers.
- **Bill Glover:** had knee surgery last Monday; please pray for continued healing and decrease in pain.
- **Jerry Moore:** is recuperating at home following surgery; keep him in your prayers.
- **Gloria Lathem Comans Boozer** (Skip Lathem's sister): passed away May 14th; please remember Skip & his family in your prayers.
- **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.
- **Tina Tolar:** dealing with several chronic illnesses.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Ames Lee** (Chad and Wendy Lee's son): leukemia; participating in a clinical trial for relapsed AML kids at St. Jude. Ames is 63+ days post transplant and continues to improve daily. He has been eating a little better. Ames had another aspirate and bone marrow biopsy. Please pray he remains cancer free and there are no signs of disease. Thank you all for your prayers.
- **Jim Smith:** had another stable scan; we are praising God for His mercies.
- **Will Sautler** (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): 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

- **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)