

## THIS WEEK @ BPC

### TODAY

9:00 AM Joint Sunday School Class  
 9:55 AM Worship Service  
 11:00 AM Congregational Meeting  
 4:30 PM Deacons' Meeting  
 5:00 PM Choir Rehearsal  
 6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

### TUESDAY

9:30 AM Women's Ministry Project Group

### WEDNESDAY

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Fellowship

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Men's Summer Sunday School Class:** Bill Inman is leading a study called "The Birth Of A New Nation". The study is from the first 12 chapters of Exodus.

**Ladies' Summer SS Class:** Lisa Hellier is leading a Ladies' Summer SS Class. We are studying in Genesis: The Life of Joseph. Hope you will join us!

**Congregational Meeting:** We will have a congregational meeting to elect new elders and deacons following this morning's worship service. Be sure and pick up your children from the nursery and children's church before the congregational meeting.

**WNF:** will resume this Wednesday with dinner at 5:30 PM and adult, Youth, and Children's activities from 6:30 PM-7:30 PM. The adults will study and discuss a biblical model for parenting using Tedd Tripp's excellent book, *Shepherding A Child's Heart*.

**Twin Lakes Church Picnic:** this Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am-4pm. Lunch and drinks will be provided. Entry fee is \$15 per person, \$40 per family, kids under 5yrs are free. Pool and outdoor activities will be available. Any questions please see Walt Herrington or Carrie Mills. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

**Made for More Conference:** An intergenerational conference for ladies and girls 3<sup>rd</sup> 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/>

**The Will Brown Memorial Golf Tournament:** is Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at Bay Pointe Golf Club; \$45 for golf & lunch. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

**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.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Sunday School: Classes for 2 years - 6<sup>th</sup> grade meet each Sunday at 9:00 AM.**

**Wednesday Night:** Beginning this Wednesday, August 7th, the children (3 year olds - 6th) will be studying Worship from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. We will be learning Who we are to worship, How we are to worship from both the Old and New Testament and Why we are to worship. Join us as we seek to become more engaged worshippers of our Creator!

#### SERVING SUNDAY

**Bell Ringer:** Sophie Warren **Next Week:** Taylor Vance  
**Nursery:** Sue Bohnen (SS), Molly Eastland (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:** Rebecca Thompson & John Palmer Word **Next Sunday:** Cortney Greer/Amy Kaiser  
**Evening Service:** Sam Word  
**August:** Molly Eastland **September:** Gray Ouzts  
**Children's Church:** Lauren Hoge & Lily Smith **Next week:** Matthew & Cassie Warren

### YOUTH MINISTRY

**Sunday School:** Jr and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.  
**Youth Fellowship:** Youth Group will resume this Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM.

## Sermon Notes

"Chosen to Serve"

Acts 6:1-7

#### STAFF

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

#### Women's Ministry

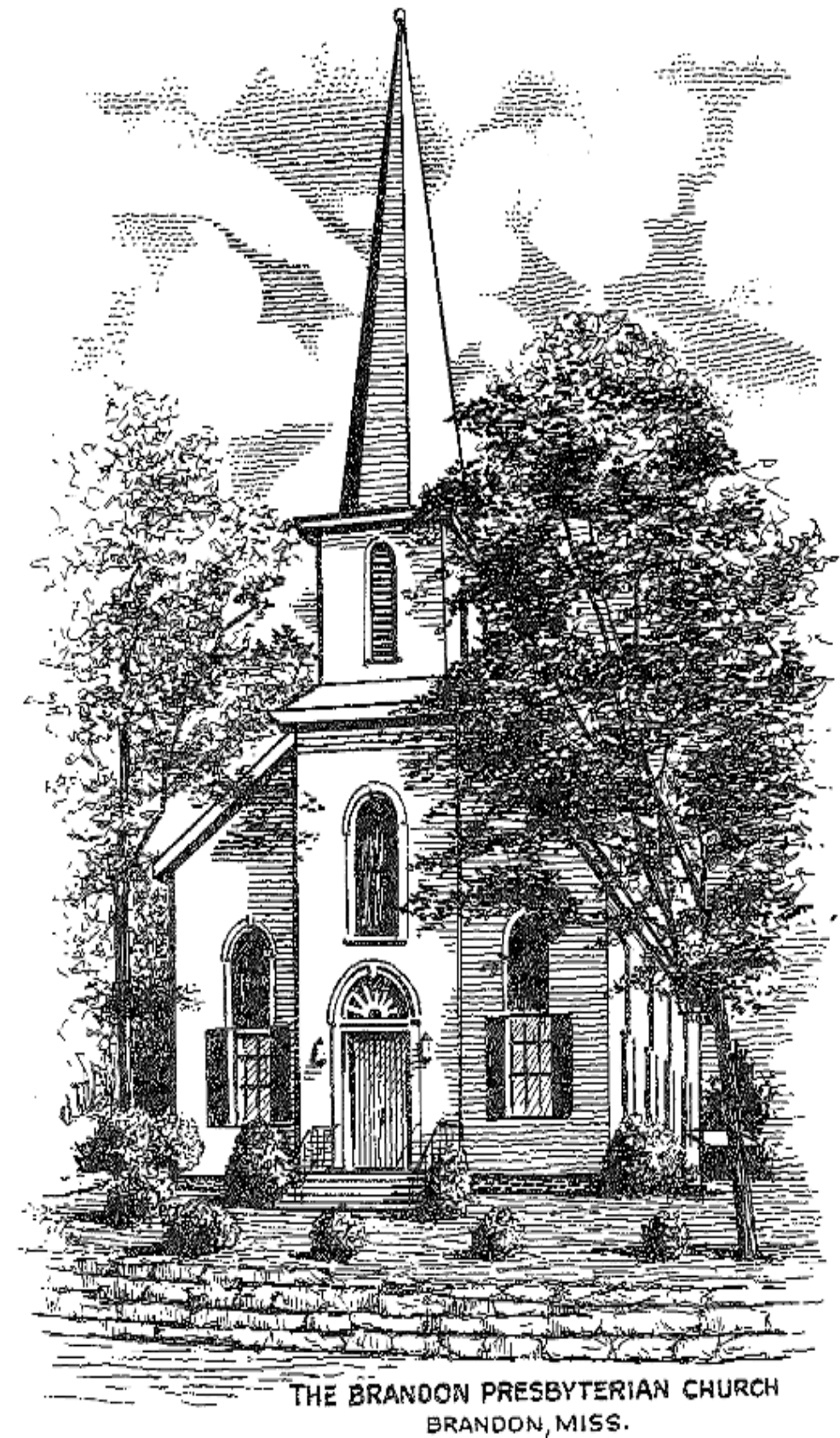
Dickey Shepherding Group: Nancilynn Dickey  
 Herrington Shepherding Group: Jo Stanford  
 Morrison Shepherding Group: Kerri Matthews, Carole Morrison  
 Neill Shepherding Group: Melinda Neill, Becky Inman  
 Thompson Shepherding Group: Mary Thompson, Jeanne Monsour  
 Whitten Shepherding Group: Julie Huddleston, Elizabeth Pinkerton  
 Flower Coordinators: Gray Ouzts & Deanna Rush

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in memory  
 Of Charlie and Dot Moak from their children.

## 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, August 4, 2024

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

Meditation GUY WATERS

The repetition of this term [disciples] in 6:7 to conclude this section indicates the importance of this scene to our understanding of the nature of Christian discipleship. Discipleship, Luke shows us, entails submission to the apostolic Word, and particularly to that Word as it orders the life of the church.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/Preparation for Worship JOSH PEOPLES, ORGANIST  
"Holy Spirit, Rain Down" arr. Lura Foster

Call to Worship \* Psalm 20:5; Isaiah 12:2  
Pastor: Shout for joy over God's salvation, and in the name of your God set up your banners!

**People: God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.**

Invocation DANIEL 9:17

Psalm of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 9  
"All You That Fear Jehovah's Name" (Psalm 22, 31)

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<sup>\*</sup>; 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<sup>†</sup>; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

<sup>\*</sup> "descended into hell" = descended into the place of the dead, not of eternal punishment.

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

Confession of Sin HULDRYCH ZWINGLI

Almighty, eternal God! Forgive us our sin and lead us to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon JONAH 2:7-9

When my life was fainting away, I remembered the Lord, and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple. Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love. But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacrifice to you; what I have vowed I will pay. Salvation belongs to the Lord!

Hymn of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 585  
"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Pastoral Prayer JIM NEILL  
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 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 JOSH PEOPLES  
"Spirit of the Living 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 JIM NEILL

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGE 914  
Acts 6:1-7

Sermon REV. BRAD MILLS  
"Chosen to Serve"

Hymn of Response \* N<sup>o</sup>. 342  
"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

Benediction DEUTERONOMY 1:11  
May the Lord, the God of your fathers, make you a thousand times as many as you are and bless you, as he has promised you!

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 AM/6 PM):	July 28	144/60
Live Views:		4/6
Total Online views:		27/31
Sunday School:		98
Last Week's Offering:	\$	6,247.00
Online Giving:	\$	464.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$	9,390.00
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$265,740.00	(-15,930.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:	\$281,670.00	

## IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** Rodney & Jana Davila (El Salvador)
- **Ministry of the Week:** Julian Bacon (Brussels Church Plant)
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers, Eric Napier
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Eliza, Clara, and Layton Matthews
- **College Student of the Week:** Will Tolar
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

## Weddings and Babies:

- **John & Anna Kate Stowers:** expecting a baby boy in September
- **BPC Children's Ministry:** Please pray for our children to realize they are sinners that need Christ's redemptive work. Pray that they seek after Christ, honor their parents and stay healthy and safe. Pray for our parents that they will lead our children to Christ by their words and example. Pray that God will provide Sunday School teachers.
- **Rick Sanchez** (Barbara Sanchez's husband): having surgery for pinched nerve in neck on Wednesday and healing for broken tailbone.
- **Lessie Bright Sullivan** (Jeanne Monsour's 92 yr. old aunt): passed away last Thursday morning; arrangements pending. Please keep her family in your prayers.
- **Sam Heath:** is recovering from foot surgery. He will need to stay off his feet for several weeks. Pray for healing and patience.
- **Lois Carman:** now living at Briar Hill Nursing Home, Florence. Please pray for her adjustment, the staff to be especially compassionate with her care, and Cathy and her brother, Larry, as they continue to make decisions regarding Lois' care and affairs. Lois can have visitors anytime.
- **Erin Clayton:** Erin had a successful surgery on her ankle; now undergoing rehab.
- **Beeg Ford:** recovering from a fractured vertebra; now living at Villa South Assisted Living in Florence.
- **Brady Stewart** (Carol Booth's son-in-law): continues treatment for a very rare heart condition. Thank you for all your prayers.
- **Hays Monsour** (Jeanne Monsour's 21 yr. old nephew): 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; just finished participating in clinical trial for relapsed AML kids at St. Jude and is +138 days and now at home; He remains on an anti-rejection med for GVHD of the skin. It is localized to his lower extremities. Please pray that the GVHD will improve without other organ involvement and that Ames remains cancer free. Thank you all for the prayers.
- **Will Saulter** (Jan Heath's 21 year old neighbor): diagnosed with brain cancer. His recent MRI results showed that he is stable; chemo will continue and next MRI will be this fall. Thank you for all of your prayers!
- **Jim Smith:** had another stable scan; we are praising God for His mercies.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): has gone five years without a relapse and is now classified as cured.
- **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, being deployed to Japan in August (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)

## Mark your calendar

There will be a short time of fellowship following the Morning Worship Service on August 18<sup>th</sup> celebrating God's graciousness for allowing retiring Elders Walt Herrington, Gary Morrison, and Jackie Thompson to serve the Church for so many years.