

THIS WEEK @ BPC

<b>TODAY</b>	(Photo Shoot After Church)
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
<b>TUESDAY</b>	
6:00 AM	Men's Morning Book Study
9:30 AM	Ladies' Monthly Book Study
6:00 PM	Joint Officers' Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	
5:30 PM	Wednesday Night Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Adult Sunday School Class:** Ray Shores is teaching from *Saints and Scoundrels*. Does the doctrine of trinity really matter? Do we really need to know about the Church's fights from hundreds of years ago? In this series we will cover the major friends and foes of the doctrine of the trinity and the two natures of Christ. You will learn the history and refutation of false views about God.

**Wednesday Night Fellowship:** 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*.

**Church Directory Photo Shoot:** Today, and next week, directly after church, photos will be taken for the updated directory. ?s, please see Nat Whitten or Carrie Mills.

**Communion:** Please prepare your heart to receive the Lord's Supper this morning.

**Crates for Ukraine:** CFU is a ministry of MTW whose mission is "to provide personal and humanitarian aid from the hands of churches in the US to the hands of churches and displaced communities in Ukraine." Each crate costs \$2,500 to fill. Learn more at [www.cratesforukraine.com](http://www.cratesforukraine.com). In partnership with the Pearl and Florence PCA churches, we will take special offerings during the evening service tonight and next Sunday.

**Men's Morning Book Study:** Beginning this Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 - 7:00 AM, Nate Inman will be leading a discussion of the book *Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate* by Jerry Bridges. We will meet every other week in the Fellowship Hall, and breakfast will be provided. Contact Nate if you'd like a book or have any questions.

**Missions Conference:** Please sign up on the bulletin board and plan to join us for this year's Missions Conference, on Saturday, October 19, beginning at 5:30 PM. The Missions Committee will provide pulled pork, chicken strips, buns and drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. This year's focus will be on church planting. We will hear from the new church plant in Florence, MS, among others, and there will be some great door prizes for adults, youth and kids!

**Pastor's Welcome Class:** beginning Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>. See Brad if interested in attending.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

**Wednesday Night:** The children (3 year olds - 6th) will be focusing this quarter on an overview of the Bible. The **3, 4, and 5's** will study *Who is Jesus?*. A book that helps our children see Jesus throughout the Bible. **1st-3rd** will focus on how the parts of Scripture show God's unified story throughout history. **4-6th** will answer questions such as: What is the Bible? How were the books collected? Can we trust the Bible?

SERVING SUNDAY

**Bell Ringer:** Bennett Lyons **Next Week:** Caroline Ouzts  
**Nursery:** John Thompson (SS), Rebecca Thompson (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:** Rebecca Thompson **Wednesday:** Trasyty Shores, Rebecca Thompson **Next Sunday:** (SS) (WS)/Amy Kaiser **Evening Service:** **Wednesday:** Trasyty Shores, Molly Eastland **October:** Rebecca Thompson **November:** Molly Eastland  
**Children's Church:** Susan Inman & Gray Ouzts **Next week:** Susan Inman & Becky Inman

YOUTH MINISTRY

**Sunday School:** Jr and Sr. High classes meet upstairs at 9:00 AM every Sunday.  
**Youth Fellowship:** Youth Group meet at 6:30 PM. on Wednesdays.

Sermon Notes  
 "Dead Man Walking"  
 Ephesians 2:1-3

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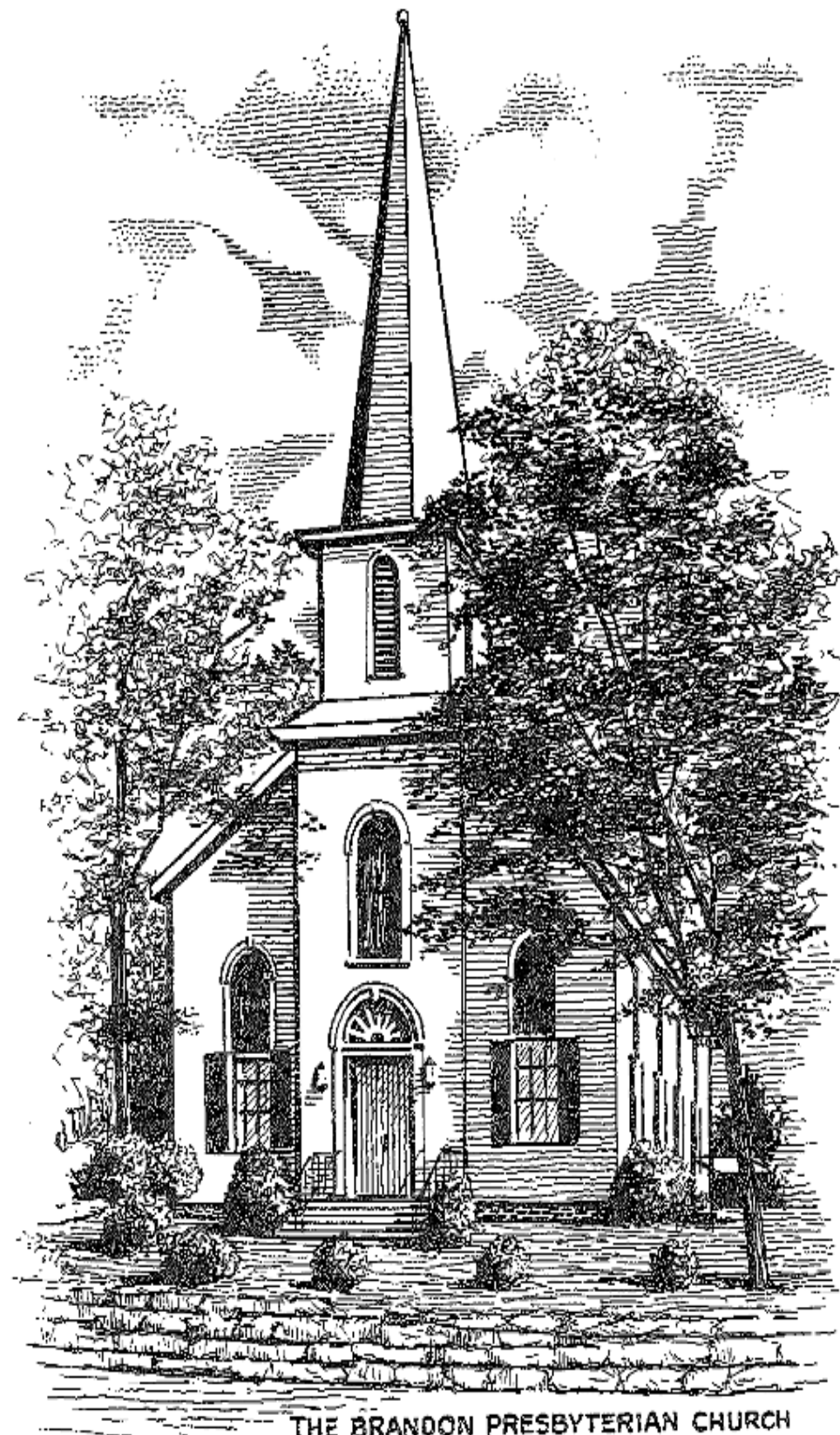
**Elders** - Scotty Dickey, Thomas Eastland, Brad Mills, Brian Smith, John Thompson, Jim Neill, Nat Whitten  
**Deacons** - Richard Bohnen, Alex Dupree, Chris Groebe, Nate Inman, Ryan Lee, Eric Napier, Andrew Ouzts, Andrew Rush, Luther Stowers, Darrin Tolar, Matthew Warren

OFFICERS EMERITUS

**Elders** - Walt Herrington, Gary Morrison, Jackie Thompson  
**Deacons** - John McInnis †, Richard Harrison

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Leadership Team** - Nancilynn Dickey, Julie Huddleston, Becky Inman, Kerri Matthews, Carole Morrison, Jeanne Monsour, Melinda Neill, Elizabeth Pinkerton, Jo Stanford, Mary Thompson  
**Flower Coordinators** - Deanna Rush & Gray Ouzts



THE BRANDON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
 BRANDON, MISS.

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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.

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

# Morning Worship

The Lord’s Day, October 6, 2024

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

Meditation R.C. SPROUL

We are dead on arrival spiritually—not just weak, ailing, critically ill, or comatose. There is no spiritual heartbeat, no spiritual breathing, no spiritual brain-wave activity. We are spiritually stillborn, and so we remain—unless God the Holy Spirit makes us alive.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/Preparation for Worship JOSH PEOPLES, ORGANIST  
“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” arr. Fred Bock

Call to Worship \* PSALM 103:1; LUKE 1:46-47  
Pastor: Believers in Christ, bless the Lord; let all that is within you bless his holy name!  
**People: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

Invocation \* NEHEMIAH 9:15

Psalm of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 4  
“All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above ” (Psalm 107)

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

Confession of Sin HENRY THORNTON

We have great reason, O Lord, to be humbled before you, on account of the coldness and insensibility of our hearts, the disorder and irregularity of our lives, and the prevalence of worldly affections within us. Too often have we indulged the tempers which we ought to have subdued, and have left our duty unperformed. O Lord, be merciful to us for your Son Jesus Christ’s sake. Produce in us deep repentance, and a lively faith in that Savior who has died for our sins, and risen again for our justification. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon ROMANS 5:6-8

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Hymn of Praise \* N<sup>o</sup>. 556  
“Though Your Sins Be as Scarlet”

Pastoral Prayer RAY SHORES

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 1 CHRONICLES 16:29

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come before Him; worship the Lord in holy array.

Offertory JOSHUA PEOPLES,  
“Rock of Ages” with “Hiding in Thee” arr. Tom Fettke  
(Marsha on piano)

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 RAY SHORES

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

Reading of Holy Scripture PAGE 976  
Ephesians 2:1-3

Sermon REV. BRAD MILLS  
“Dead Man Walking”

Hymn of Preparation \* N<sup>o</sup>. 465 (STANZAS 1-2)  
“Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord”

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn of Response \* N<sup>o</sup>. 264 (STANZA 3)  
“Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord”

Benediction ISAIAH 33:5-6  
The Lord will fill Zion with justice and righteousness; he will be the stability of your times and the abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge.

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):	Sept. 29	129/55
Live Views:		6/5
Total Online views:		39/25
Sunday School:		96
Last Week’s Offering:		\$ 13,889.00
Online Giving :		\$ 492.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:		\$ 9,390.00
Year-to-Date Giving:		\$353,798.00 (-12,382.00)
Year-to-Date Budgeted Giving:		\$366,180.00

## IN PRAYER

- **Missionary of the Week:** Caleb & Miyoung Cheon (Taiwan)
- **Ministries of the Week:** Center for Violence Prevention
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Brian Smith, Darrin Tolar, Andrew Rush
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Sophie and Emma Warren
- **College Student of the Week:** Sarah Scott Stanford
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

• **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.

- **Kathleen “Kit” Rush** (Andrew Rush’s Mother): passed away September 18<sup>th</sup>; please keep Andrew, Deanna, and his family in your prayers.
- **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; +718 post transplant and at home; doing well overall; his labs look great. Hopefully we can start weaning his meds soon. His energy level has been good. We go back soon for labs and Ames will have a pulmonary function test to make sure he isn't having any GVHD of the lungs. Please pray his labs are stable, we can start to wean meds, and his pulmonary function test will be normal. Thank you for your prayers and support for our family.
- **Bill Inman:** started his cancer treatments August 28<sup>th</sup>; the treatments may last six to eight months.
- **Will Saulter** (Jan Heath’s 21 year old neighbor): diagnosed with brain cancer. His 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, Lois Carman, Beeg Ford, Mary Ruth Ruffin, Dotsy Peel

- **Service members:** Baylor Griggs, being deployed to Japan this month (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)

## MS VALLEY PRESBYTERY WOMEN’S MINISTRY

You are invited to the MVP Women’s Ministry fall *Coffee & Connection* on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at Pearl Presbyterian Church, 2933 Old Brandon Rd., Pearl, MS from 9:30 am-noon. Doors open at 9:15 am and coffee and a light brunch will be served.

## Reformation Celebration

Join us for a Reformation Celebration on Saturday, October 26, at 4:00 PM. It will be potluck with the church providing fixings for chili. We will also have a pie contest, bounce houses, face painting, games and worship.