

# BROWNSON

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
*A missional community called to love and live in Christ*

**September 11, 2022**

**9:00 AM In Person**

**11:10 AM In Person & Online**

## BY CONTRAST

THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

*Love • Joy • Peace • Patience • Kindness • Generosity  
Faithfulness • Gentleness • Self Control*

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**Rev. John Hage**—senior pastor

**Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin**—associate pastor for congregational care and connection

**Kelli Garbett**—director of children and their families

**Erin Pollock**—director of youth and their families

**John Tyson**—director of music ministries

**Austin Vernon**—director of discipleship and missions



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## Gathering

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*Please pass the Friendship Pad down each pew and back again after signing. If you are visiting, please provide your email address as we would love to connect with you.*

Prelude "God Will Take Care of You" Ross Anderson

Ritual of Friendship The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

News of the Church Alive Rev. John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

## The Praise of God

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+Call to Worship Erin Pollock, *Director of Youth and their Families*

Then God said, Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.

**And a harvest of righteousness is sown as we are called to love all Gods people.**

The ones sown on the good soil: they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.

**For the tree is known by its fruit.**

Let us worship the God of peace.

+Hymn 69 "Here I Am, Lord" HERE I AM

## Confessing

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Call to Confession Austin Vernon, *Director of Discipleship and Missions*

Prayer of Confession **Holy God, hear our prayers. Your love is constant and your grace abundant. Forgive us of the help we have not given, the prayers we have not spoken, and the call to love we have not shared. Forgive us, God, and through your forgiveness encourage us to be your servants in your reign of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie 551



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

Cantor to sing first. Congregation on repeat.

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response "We Are Forgiven" Hal H. Hopson, 1995  
**We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. (repeat)**

## The Proclamation of the Word

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Moment with Children Kelli Garbett, *Director of Children and their Families*  
Children four to second grade may depart for Kids worship.

Song of Illumination "Spirit of the Living God" LIVING GOD  
**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

Scripture Lesson Galatians 5:13-15, 22-25  
Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Called to Love Rev. John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

+Hymn 693 "Though I May Speak" GIFT OF LOVE

## Responding

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- +A Brief Statement of Faith**      **We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.**
- +Gloria**      “Gloria Patri” GREATOREX  
**Glor**y 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.
- Minute for Mission**      Call Story from Chenoa Stock PC(USA) Mission Co-Worker
- Prayers of the People**      Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection*
- The Lord’s Prayer**      **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.**
- Invitation to the Offering**
- Offertory**      "We Are Called" Becky Mayo  
Chancel Choir, Chris Dunn—Trumpet
- +Presentation of Gifts**      **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”** OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**  
**Praise Christ, all people here below;**  
**Praise Holy Spirit evermore;**  
**Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**
- Prayer of Thanksgiving**      (9:00) Asa Moran    (11:10) John Cates

## Departing

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- +Hymn 295**      “Go to the World!” SINE NOMINE
- +Benediction**
- +Choral Response**      “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” SICILIAN MARINERS
- Postlude**      “Postlude on Sicilian Mariners” Douglas Wagner

**A moment of silence followed by three chimes, signifying the Trinity, concludes Worship.**

**Immediately following the 11:10 AM service there will be a brief congregational meeting. Please remain seated.**

## Announcements

**Congregational Meeting:** Today there will be a Congregational Meeting at the end of worship at 11:10. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on the Elder Class of 2025 and the Terms of Call for Rev. John Hage.

**Chancel Flowers** are needed for several Sundays this fall. Please visit the calendar in the Atrium to sign up.

**Justice & Peace Book Discussion**—Monday, September 12, 6:30–8:30 PM. Join Presbyterian Women across the country via Zoom to discuss the book, *Poverty in America*. To participate, register at [www.presbyterianwomen.org/justice](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org/justice).

**Today's Guest** Chenoa Stock is a Mission Co-Worker with the PC(USA). She will share her call story in worship and information about global missions in Fellowship Hall at 10 AM.

**Items needed for the Church Retreat:** Marshmallows, Graham crackers, chocolate bars, Reeses, Crunch bars, Pretzels, Peanut butter/Nutella, Fudge Stripe cookies, Chips Ahoy cookies, Ritz crackers, Bowls, Disposable spoons, Napkins, Chocolate syrup, Caramel syrup, Sprinkles, Gummy bears, Nuts/pecans, Whipped cream, Cherries. Please drop them off in the church office beginning on the 9/6-9/18.

**Fall Small Group Series: Living a Life of Generosity**

"Living a Life of Generosity" is a four-week small group series, based on the PC (USA) curriculum *Practice Generosity*, that will delve into biblical understandings of generosity, which are multi-faceted and ultimately rooted in God's love. Registration details coming soon!

**September 25** will be ONE worship service at 11:10 AM while we have a church retreat at Camp Caraway. Rev. Carolyn Helms will be our guest preacher.

## Local Missions | Ways to Serve

### THE COALITION

**Gilmore Client Services—1500 Indiana Ave**

- Third Wednesday of each month 9 AM-11 AM
- Packing Food Boxes and stocking shelves
- Contact: Jan Lindstrom [mjlindstrom75@gmail.com](mailto:mjlindstrom75@gmail.com)

### THE FOOD BANK

**195 Sandy Ave., Southern Pines**

- Second Tuesday of each month 9 AM-11 AM
- Contact: Bob McCall [rdm36@charter.net](mailto:rdm36@charter.net)

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

- Repair homes in greater Southern Pines
- 6 Volunteers needed per repair
- Dates are: September 17 and November 19
- Contact: Don Power [donc6power@gmail.com](mailto:donc6power@gmail.com)

### BROWNSON BUDDIES 2.0

Local Missions is bringing back BROWNSON BUDDIES with a bit of a twist! Beginning in the fall, after school homework help one day/week at Southern Pines Elementary, assisting 4th-graders with basic math and reading. Stay tuned for more information but prayerfully consider sharing 1-2 hours a week to make a difference in a child's life! To sign up, contact Austin Vernon, [discipleship@brownsonchurch.org](mailto:discipleship@brownsonchurch.org)

## FALL KICKOFF—TODAY

### YOUTH

**Youth Group:** The youth team has been planning an amazing year full of games, off-campus events, trips, food (always food), service projects, Bible lessons, worship and more. It will all kick off on TONIGHT from 5-7 PM. All youth and their families are invited to join us for a family meal in Fellowship Hall to start the night. This will be a time to reconnect after the summer, meet the youth leaders, and eat some good food! Parents, after dinner we will have a quick but important meeting to go over the events calendar, emergency forms and parent volunteer needs. **Youth should wear a white shirt for Color Wars and be prepared to get messy!** And don't forget, on the morning of September 11 Brownson Connects will start up again and all youth are invited to the youth suite after *Higher Grounds* for weekly Bible study. Instagram: [brownson\\_youth](https://www.instagram.com/brownson_youth)

### CHILDREN

Today is going to be an awesome day in the life of Brownson Kids! **Brownson Connect groups** resume at 10:00 AM and the **Kids Connect Kickoff** at 5:00 PM. All parents and children grades K-5 grade are encouraged to attend. Kids Connect meets every Sunday at 5:00 PM.

### ADULTS CONNECT GROUPS

**The Ligon Bible Class**—This class studies *The Present Word* quarterly curriculum. Join us in Conference Room B at 10 AM.

**The Living Word Today** (hybrid) - This class discusses current events through the lens of our Christian faith, using *The Wired Word* curriculum. Join us in Conference Room A or on Zoom at 10 AM. Meeting ID: 825 8501 9818. Passcode: 664945.

### ADULT CONNECT GROUPS CONTINUED...

**Donuts and Devotionals** – Bring your coffee and donuts to Conference Room C at 10 AM as we discuss some of the most important stories in the New Testament.

### ADULT STUDIES

**Theology on Tap**—This small group will be taking a break in September and will resume on October 5 @ Table on the Green at 6 PM.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast** - This men's group meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7 AM at Sizzlin' Steak or Eggs. Contact Bill Berger for more information.

**Women**—Bible study is offered through six different Circles. For information, contact Membership Leader Nancy Ahlfeld at 910.235.4646 or visit [brownsonchurch.org/pw](http://brownsonchurch.org/pw).

**Tuesday Night Bible Study** (hybrid) – Beginning September 20, join us on Tuesday nights at 7 PM in Conference Room A or on Zoom as we study 1 and 2 Samuel this fall. Meeting ID: 879 8364 6579. Passcode: 083407.

**Women and Words Book Study** – Beginning 9/20, join us on Wednesdays at 6 PM for a book study on *You Are the Girl for the Job - Daring to Believe the God who Calls You* by Jess Connolly as we see God's love, find our mission, and *show* His love to those who need HIM. Please contact Amelia Kirkland at [kirkaw0829@gmail.com](mailto:kirkaw0829@gmail.com) to sign up.

## Serving Today

**Thank you to our Greeters serving today:**

(9 AM) Head Usher: Don Branch, Marjorie Heffner, Chris & Kelley Kibler, Bill Zell, Paula Zellers

(11:10) Head Usher: Scott Absher, Chuck Davis, Will Herring, Lee Pittman, Ryan Riggan, Michael White

## Prayers and Praise

**Member Death:** We share in the hope of the risen Christ with the family of Nancy Maples Weant upon her death on 9/1. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 17 at 11 AM, with a reception immediately following in Fellowship Hall.