

# August 20, 2023



#### 2023 Session of Brownson

Alice Herrington | Alicia Riggan | Amelia Kirkland | Andrew Benbow | Ann Edgerton | Art Edgerton | Beverley Pellom Charlene Kinelski | Chris Jordan | David McNeill | David Wood | Dixie Parks | Don Branch | Don Power | John Bullard Kathy McPherson | Ken Goodman | Larry Riggan | Lee Pittman | Mollie Calhoun | Morgan Strickland | Ryan Ciccone Sara Conti | Sara James | Scout Cain (Y) | Wesley Little (Y)

**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
Matt Franks—interim music director
Austin Vernon—director of discipleship and missions

330 South May Street, Southern Pines, North Carolina 28387 www.brownsonchurch.org — 910.692.6252 Sunday Worship | 10:00 AM Livestream | 10:00 AM



Lera Dayne Holmes

## **Gathering**

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** "Waymaker"

Kelli Garbett, piano

**Welcome** Erin Pollock, *Director of Youth and their Families* 

Kelli Garbett, Director of Children and their Families

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

And also with you.

Minute of Mission Appalachia Service Project Luke Markotich

#### The Praise of God

+Call to Worship

from the Worship Liturgy at Montreat

Come as you are, broken and burdened, and find healing in God's goodness.
Come as you are, gifted and beloved,

and find purpose in God's calling. Come as you are, weary and wary, and find comfort in God's embrace.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,

and worship God with joy!

**+Vacation Bible School**Lainey and Landon Harris

+Congregational Hymn "This Little Light of Mine"

# Confessing -

Call to Confession
Prayer of Confession

from the Worship Liturgy at Massanetta

Pearl Hage

God, we confess that we mess up and sin against you, in the things that we think, the words we say, the things we do, and even with the things that we forget to do. We have not loved you with all of our hearts, and our minds and with all of our strength. We have not loved our neighbors the way we are supposed to. In your mercy, please forgive us and help us to move into the ways that we need to move, so that we can experience the best parts of the things you have in store for us, and in all things give glory to your holy name. Amen.

Kyrie Will Franks, Cantor



Cantor to sing first. Congregation on repeat.

**Assurance of Pardon** from the Worship Liturgy at Montreat

Arianne Monroe

Passing of the Peace The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

The passing of the peace is an element of worship which traditionally follows the assurance of pardon. Sharing a sign of peace signifies our reconciliation and peace with God and one another. You are invited to pass the peace in the manner that is most comfortable to you.

**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

Anthem "What a Beautiful Name It Is"
Mission Possible Campers

HILLSONG WORSHIP

**Moment with Children** 

Kelli Garbett, Director of Children and their Families

Song of Illumination "Sanctuary" Randy Scruggs and John Thompson

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you. (repeat)

Scripture Lesson Luke 18:16 Kelli Garbett

Matthew 25:31-40 Erin Pollock

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Summer Testimonies Mission Possible at Camp Monroe Julie Wilson

Community Camp Keaton Garbett
Massanetta Brooklyn Riggan
Montreat Wesley Little

+Congregational Hymn 705 "Prince of Peace" Michael W. Smith

Responding

**+Affirmation of Faith** from the Worship Liturgy at Montreat

Chloe Simpson

New Creed of 1968; Statement from the United Church of Canada

We are not alone. We live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be

to God. Amen.

+Gloria "Gloria Patri" GREATOREX

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.

Prayers of the People Ella Hall

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 "10,000 Reasons" Matt Redmon

Janie Monroe, Solo

+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** Jocelyn Telles

**Departing** 

**+Congregational Hymn** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

**+Blessing** from the Worship Liturgy at Montreat Josh Markotich

**+Congregational Response** "We Will Go Out With Joy"

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

Postlude "I Stand Amazed" GABRIEL

Kelli Garbett, piano

#### **Announcements**

Today's Chancel Flowers are dedicated to the glory of God given by Don and Joan Power in honor of their 57th Wedding Anniversary.

Children: We are excited to kick off our Fall Kids Programs on Sunday, September 10 with Kids Worship at 9:00 AM, Brownson Connect Groups in conjunction with Higher Grounds at 10:00 AM, Family Worship at 11:10 AM and a night of fun beginning at 5:00 PM. Our parent meeting will follow the next week on September 17. It's going to be a great fall and we hope you'll be a part of the fun with our Brownson Kids family!

Youth: High school is having a pool party on Wednesday, August 23, 6-8 PM at the Park's house. Please RSVP with Erin ASAP. Fall youth group kickoff is Sunday, September 10, 5-7 PM and the middle school half-nighter is Friday, September 15, 6-11 PM.

#### PW—Presbyterian Women:

August 21—The Brownson PW Coordinating Team Meeting will be held at 10:00 AM in Conference Room C. Inquiries: Elaine Sills, elainemorgansills@gmail.com

PW Membership Information: Inquiries & Registration: Linda Hamel, Membership Chair, llwhamel@gmail.com **September 18**—PW meeting at 11:00AM, followed by a luncheon. Gail Cameron will be introducing Sacred Encounters, the new bible study for the new year.

The Congregational Care Team is looking to begin a Phone Call Team! Our hope is that every member of the church will receive a friendly phone call from this team over the next year. If you enjoy connecting with people by phone, we would love to have you as a part of this team, sharing God's love with all our members. Please contact Darlene Bostelman at assist@brownsonchurch.org if you would like to join this team!

Brownson Learning Center, 2023—2024 has a Pre-K spot available. Must be 4 by September 1, 2023.

Enroll online at brownsonchurch.org/preschool



# SUMMER SERVICE HOURS 10 AM In-Person & Online

June 18-September 3

9-10 AM—Higher Grounds & **Adult Classes** 

9:30-10 AM All God's People **Connect Group** 

# Ways to Give

Thank you for supporting the mission of Brownson Church. Your gift has an immediate impact on the work of ministry through our mission and values and the work we do across Moore County and beyond! To give today, you may do so through the envelopes in the pews, through the **Give** tab on our website, or by using the QR code. Thank you for your generosity!



### Local Missions | Ways to Serve

#### **SANDHILLS COALITION:**

DONATION PRIORITIES: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Rice and Mac & Cheese.

TWO DROP OFF LOCATIONS: Baskets in the narthex or Starbucks Drive-Thru - Taylortown.

Contact Austin Vernon, discipleship@brownsonchurch.org

#### THE FOOD BANK

- Pack food boxes for low income seniors
- Second Tuesday of the month, 9 AM-11 AM
- Sign up to Volunteer on September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12
- Contact: Bob McCall, rdm36@charter.net

#### **Adults**

#### SUNDAY MORNING CONNECT GROUPS

The Living Word Today (hybrid) - This class discusses current events through the lens of our Christian faith, using The Wired Word curriculum. Join us on Sunday mornings in Conference Room A or on Zoom at 9AM.

Meeting ID: 825 8501 9818. Passcode: 664945.

The Ligon Bible Class—This class studies The Present Word quarterly curriculum. Join us on Sunday mornings in Conference Room B at 9 AM.

All God's People—This connect group will explore an intergenerational devotional that is suitable for people of all ages. Kids, youth, and adults are invited to join us for this time of learning and fellowship. Grab some coffee and donuts and join us in Conference Room C at 9:30 AM! Led by Kelli Garbett, Erin Pollock, and Austin Vernon.

#### **MID-WEEK ADULT STUDIES**

Men's Tuesday Fellowship 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.

**Theology on Tap**—This small group for men of the church meets on Wednesdays at Table on the Green at 6 PM. They will start back up in September

# **Prayers and Praise**

Hospital/Rehab: John McPhaul (St. Joseph of the Pines), James Beeson (MRH)

**Member Death:** We share in the hope of the risen Christ with the family of Sheridan "Sheri" LaForge upon her death on August 10. No services will be held at her request.

## Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

10:00 AM Head Usher: Frank Dean, Bill Berger, Ryan Ciccone, Jan Lindstrom, Bob & Peggy Flygar, Don & Brenda Hiscott, Burt Ozment, Sara James, John Cates