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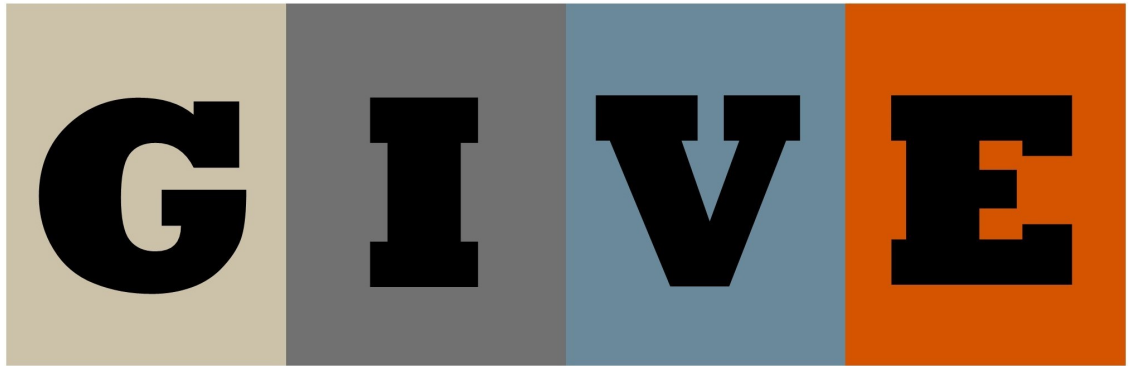
MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
A missional community called to love and live in Christ

October 23, 2022

9 AM In Person

11:10 AM In Person and Online

Live
to



LIVING A LIFE OF GENEROSITY
2023 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

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

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 "Shall We Gather at the River" arr. Ron Mallory
Handbell Choir

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

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

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship How lovely is the house of the Lord.
How beautiful to be gathered in the presence of God.
How lovely is the dwelling place of the Lord.
How beautiful is the image of God we behold in one another.
Let us worship the God who lives.

+Hymn 32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" ELLACOMBE

Confessing

Call to Confession John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

Prayer of Confession Loving God, we confess that voices of scarcity pervade our minds and weigh heavy on our hearts. These voices trick us into believing there isn't enough to go around, that we need to hoard resources, that your love and grace cannot sustain us. Forgive us, holy God, for allowing these voices to cloud our judgment. Convict our hearts and minds, so that we might believe in your generous love and grace, which is more abundant than we could ever imagine. Amen.

Kyrie 551



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

Anthem "If I Can Help Somebody" Andre Thomas
If I can help somebody as I pass along; If I can cheer somebody with a word or song;
If I can show somebody he is trav'ling wrong; Then my living shall not be in vain.
If I can do my duty as a Christian ought; If I can bring back beauty to a world up wrought;
If I can spread Love's message that the master taught; Then my living shall not be in vain.

A Moment with Children

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

Baptism (11:10)
Hymn 482

Mac Strickland, son of Morgan and Jeremy Strickland
"Baptized in Water"
Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King; born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praises we sing.

Song of Illumination

"Speak, O Lord" GETTY & TOWNSEND
Eliza Hage | Janie Monroe | Erin Pollock

Scripture Lesson

1 Kings 17:8-16
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

+Please Stand

Sermon Living a Life of Generosity | Service Austin Vernon, *Director of Discipleship and Missions*
+Hymn 767 "Together We Serve" SAN ANSELMO

Responding

According to the PCUSA Book of Order, the Affirmation of Faith is a response to the Word proclaimed that affirms our faith in the holy, triune God. The affirmation of faith can be drawn from a variety of sources, including Scripture, creeds, confession, catechisms, hymns, or personal testimony.

+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
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 Rev. Elizabeth Doolin, *Associate Pastor for Congregational Care*

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 "Make Me a Servant" arr. Kelly Willard
Jeannette Wilson | Alto

+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 AM) Kathy Desmond (11:10 AM) Ryan Ciccone

Departing

+Hymn 700 "I'm Gonna Live So You Can Use Me" I'M GONNA LIVE

+Benediction

+Choral Response "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Postlude "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" arr. Tracey Cooper
David Jesse | Piano

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

Announcements

Trunk or Treat: October 30, 4-6 PM. Trunks and candy are needed. To sign up contact: Kelli Garbett (children@brownsonchurch.org).

2023 Stewardship Campaign Pledge Cards can be found in your pew, in the Narthex or the church office. If you would like to submit your pledge online, please visit: brownsonchurch.org/giving.

Church Picnic will take place on Commitment Sunday, October 30 immediately following worship at 12:15 PM in Fellowship Hall. To register visit: brownsonchurch.org/registration. \$10 per person, children under 7 free.

All Saints Sunday—November 6: Join us for All Saints Sunday where we will take time in worship to honor members of our community who have died in the past year. We hope you will be part of this service as we recognize this great cloud of witnesses.

Veteran's Roll Call—November 13: Join us during both services where we will acknowledge those in our congregation who have served and currently serve in the armed forces.

Note Cards/Gratitude Frames—Sales continue each Sunday in the Atrium, 10-11 AM through November 13. All proceeds to benefit PW's Mission Fund.

Fabric Arts Workshop—Learn how to make a wall hanging that resembles stained glass and requires no sewing. **Thursday, November 10, 10 AM–3 PM** in Fellowship Hall. Registration is required—contact Betsy Robinson at 910.639.0695. Lunch is BYO.

Local Missions | Ways to Serve

THE COALITION

Gilmore Client Services—1500 Indiana Ave

- Third Tuesday of each month 9 AM-11 AM
- Contact: Jan Lindstrom mjilindstrom75@gmail.com

THE FOOD BANK

- Second Tuesday of each month 9 AM-11 AM
- Contact: Bob McCall rdm36@charter.net

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

- Repair homes in greater Southern Pines
- 6 Volunteers needed per repair
- Next Date: November 19
- Contact: Don Power donc6power@gmail.com

BROWNSON BUDDIES 2.0

After school homework help one day/week at Southern Pines Elementary, assisting 4th-graders with basic math and reading. To sign up, contact Austin Vernon, discipleship@brownsonchurch.org.

Recital with John Tyson: October 23, 7-8 PM in the Sanctuary with a reception to follow in the Atrium.

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YOUTH

Youth group tonight 5-7pm. We will be welcoming Rev. Elizabeth Doolin as she leads us in a service project for our homebound members. Don't forget Trunk or Treat on October 30! Youth are needed to help from either 2:30-4:30 PM or 4:30-6:30 PM. Donations of candy and baked goods for the cake walk can be dropped off in the church office or in the Narthex.

CHILDREN

Children in 3-5 grade participating in our Bible Challenge begins today at 3 PM! Parents and children are invited, with additional sessions at 3:00 on 11/6 and 11/13. Bibles will be presented in worship on 11/20. Kids Music is tonight at 4 PM, and Kids Connect from 5-6:30.

If you are a parent with little ones and need to leave worship with a crying or fussy baby, you can now go to the Parlor (in the Atrium) and continue to watch the worship service on the TV monitor.

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.

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 MID-WEEK STUDIES

Theology on Tap—This small group 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.

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.

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

9 AM Head Usher: Cornelia Morris, Rick & Ruth Burgin, Lois Holt, Bill Saylor, Frank Quis

11:10 AM Head Usher: Jim Reid, Bonnie Hanly, Ed Monroe, Mickey Wilson
Chancel Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God given by Nancy McNiff in memory of her husband Jim McNiff and her sister Mary Scott.

Installation of Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin

Installation of Rev. Elizabeth Doolin will be on Sunday, November 20 at 3 PM in the Sanctuary. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall.