

BROWNSON

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

February 18, 2026—6 PM



2026 SESSION OF BROWNSON

Alex Bowness | Anne Friesen | Art Edgerton | Betsy Robinson | Bill Berger | Charles Harris
Chris Hunt | B. Christian Freberg | David Malan | Donna Chapin | Farra Wilson | Gena Smith
Jane Howard | Jan Stone | Jeff Ward | John Krahnert | Kara Vonderkall
Keith Walvoord | Lisa Hughes | Mandy Berg | Patrick Depenbrock | Pat Henry | Roy Cameron | Ryan Morrison
Ruth Burgin | Hardin Freberg (Y) | Ella Hall (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
Amy Shortt—director of music ministries

330 South May Street, Southern Pines, North Carolina 28387
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Sunday Worship | 9 & 11:10 AM
Livestream | 11:10 AM



Musical Meditation	<i>A Sacred Reflection</i> Amy Shortt, organ	arr. D. Lasky
+Call to Worship	Rev. John Hage, <i>Senior Pastor</i>	
	<p>Come, all who seek God's mercy and grace. We come, aware of our frailty and our need for renewal. The God who formed us from the dust calls us to repentance. We turn our hearts toward the Lord, seeking forgiveness and new life. This is a season of reflection, a journey toward the cross. We follow Christ, who leads us from death to resurrection. Let us worship God with humility and hope. We worship with repentant hearts, trusting in God's steadfast love. Amen.</p>	
+Hymn 442	<i>Just as I Am, without One Plea</i>	WOODWORTH
Prayer of the Day	Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, <i>Assoc. Pastor</i>	
	<p>Holy Lord, in humility and repentance we bring our failures in caring, helping and loving, we bring the pain we have caused others, we bring the injustice in society of which we are a part, to transforming power of your grace. Grant us the courage to accept the healing you offer and to turn again toward the sunrise of your reign, that we may walk with you in the promise of peace you have willed for all the children of the earth, and have made known to us in Christ Jesus. Amen.</p>	
Musical Meditation	<i>Amazing Grace</i> Brownson Handbell Ensemble	arr. Sandra Eithum
Invitation to the Observance of the Lenten Discipline	Rev. John Hage, <i>Senior Pastor</i> Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, <i>Assoc. Pastor</i>	
Litany of Penitence	<p>We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven. Have mercy on us, O God. We have not listened to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit. Have mercy on us, O God. We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness. The pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives, We confess to you, O God. Our self-indulgent appetites and ways to our exploitation of other people, We confess to you, O God. Our anger at our own frustration and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves, We confess to you, O God. Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work, We confess to you, O God. Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us, We confess to you, O God. Accept our repentance, O God, for the wrongs we have done. For our neglect of human need and suffering and our indifference to injustice and cruelty.</p>	

Accept our repentance, O God.

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us.

Accept our repentance, O God.

For our waste and pollution of your creation and our lack of concern for those who come after us.

Accept our repentance, O God.

Restore us, O God, and let your anger depart from us.

Favorably hear us, O God, for your mercy is great. Hear us in this time of silent prayer.

Choral Response 577

Lord, Have Mercy

KYRIE ELEISON

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 42:1-11

Holy Bible, page 504

Sermon

Healing What's Within: Longing for the Healer

Rev. John Hage, *Sr. Pastor*

Anthem

Create In Me a Clean Heart
Chancel Choir

CREATE IN ME

Imposition of Ashes

Almighty God, You have created us out of the dust of the earth. May these ashes be for us a sign of our mortality and penitence, and a reminder that only by your gracious gift are we given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Please come forward from the inner aisle of your section to receive the imposition of ashes.

The minister marks the forehead of each person, saying:

"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Please return to your seat from the outer aisles.

If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand for a Pastor to come to you for the imposition of ashes.

Hymn 433

Sign Us with Ashes

PHOENIX

Congregational Response

Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation.

That we may show forth your glory in the world.

By the cross and passion of our Savior,

Bring us with all your saints to the joy of Christ's resurrection. Amen.

+Hymn 286

Breathe on Me Breath of God
Stanzas 1 – 3

TRENTHAM

Blessing and Charge

Rev. John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

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

Depart in Silence

A full service nursery where loving staff are ready to welcome your children is available to anyone in need tonight.

Lenten Practice—Commit to being in worship during Lent

During this season of Lent, we hope you will help us bring people into the pews at Brownson Church. Invite those you miss seeing to sit with you and let them know that they are missed in worship! If you have been watching from home, or are out of the habit of coming to worship in person, we invite you back! It's a great time to recommit yourself to the practice of worshipping God!

Schedule for Holy Week

Palm Sunday—March 29, 2026

9 AM—Worship
10 AM—Higher Grounds & Small Groups
11:10 AM—Worship

Maundy Thursday—April 2, 2026

7 PM—Tenebrae Service in Shadows and Confirmand Foot Washing

Good Friday—April 3, 2026

12 PM—Service of Healing and Wholeness

Easter Sunday—April 5 2026

9 AM—Worship
10 AM—Higher Grounds & Small Groups
11:10 AM—Worship

Ushers serving this evening:

Allan Beck
Rick and Ruth Burgin