

BROWNSON

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A missional community called to love and live in Christ

May 12, 2024



YOUTH SUNDAY

2024 Session of Brownson

Alex Bowness | Alice Herrington | Alicia Riggan | Amelia Kirkland | Andrew Benbow | Anne Friesen | Art Edgerton
Betsy Robinson | Beverley Pellom | Bill Berger | David McNeill | David Malan | David Wood | Don Branch
Jane Howard | John Bullard | Kara Vonderkall | Kathy McPherson | Ken Goodman | Lee Pittman
Mollie Calhoun | Morgan Strickland | Ryan Morrison | Sara James | Dixon Ciccone (Y) | Arianne Monroe (Y)

Rev. John Hage—senior pastor

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

Rev. Austin Vernon—associate pastor of discipleship and missions

Kelli Garbett—director of children and their families

Erin Pollock—director of youth and their families

Amy Shortt—director of music ministries

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Sunday Worship | 9:00 & 11:10 AM

Livestream | 11:10 AM



Gathering

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

Prelude "Fairest Lord Jesus" John Barr
Diana Kirkpatrick, organ

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

News of the Church Alive Erin Pollock, *Director of Youth and their Families*

The Praise of God

Processional "Sanctuary" Scruggs & Thompson

+Call to Worship Madelyn Smith and Taylor Krauss

Do not be afraid:

God hears our cries when we are lost.

Do not be afraid:

God does not leave us abandoned.

Do not be afraid:

God is with us, now and always. Let us worship Almighty God.

+Hymn 450 "Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

Confessing

Call to Confession Luke Markotich

Gracious God, we try to follow your word: to put others above ourselves, to remember that we are all bound together as your beloved children, to seek common good instead of our own interests. But it is so easy for our lesser selves to get the better of us. We succumb to jealousy, vindictiveness, callousness and indifference. In your mercy, send your healing to those we have hurt, and to our own misguided souls so that we may follow you once more. Amen.

Kyrie



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 Hardin Freberg

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 "Abide With Me" Lyte & Smith

Brownson Youth Ensemble

Moment with Children Josh Markotich and Jack Hage

(9:00 & 11:10) children remain in worship with their families.

(9:00 & 11:10) We have a nursery for children ages 0-3. There is also a family room for watching the service in the Parlor.

Song of Illumination "Spirit of the Living God" LIVING GOD

"Spirit of the 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	Philippians 4:6-7 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	Ella Hall Holy Bible, page 1073
Sermon	“Peace In God”	Dixon Ciccone, Josh Hunt & Scout Cain
+Hymn 840	“When Peace Like A River” Vs. 1, 2 & 4	VILLE DU HAVRE

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.

+Affirmation of Faith	Apostle’s 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.	Jack Platt
+Gloria	“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.	GREATOREX
Prayers of the People		Arianne Monroe
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	“Oceans” Eliza Hage & Janie Monroe, soloists Anna Depenbrock, guitar Wesley Little, percussion	Hillsong United
+Presentation of Gifts	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.	OLD HUNDREDTH
+Prayer of Thanksgiving	(9:00) Chloe Simpson (11:10) Sophia Pandich	

Departing

+Hymn 837	“Everlasting Arms”	Showalter
+Benediction		
+Congregational Response	“Blest Be the Tie that Binds” Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.	DENNIS
	<i>A moment of silence followed by three chimes, signifying the Trinity, concludes Worship.</i>	
Postlude	“Fuga” Diana Kirkpatrick, organ	Leon Boellman

Announcements

Thank you to Brownson Youth for leading worship today and sharing their gifts. Everything in this service was chosen, created or written by the youth. The verse they selected is the theme verse for Brownson Youth this year and it has guided their Sunday night studies all year. They have learned about worry, what to do with it and how to handle it as followers of Jesus. They have discussed prayer and the impact of gratitude on their hearts. And they have talked about peace, how to find peace in the busy world, and what it means to take risks for peace.

Prospective New Member Meet + Greet—If you are interested in learning more about our church community, join us **Sunday, May 19** at 10:15 AM at *Higher Grounds* (in the Atrium). Meet with Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, grab some coffee and a donut, and then head over to the Cornerstone Building Conference Room to learn about Brownson Church and our thriving congregation.

Local Mission Meet and Greet: Stop by during Higher Grounds on **May 19** to meet Peggy Hendrix, Family Promise Executive Director. Learn about this mission to support displaced mothers and children and how you can help.

PW Gathering—Join us on Monday, May 20 at 11 AM in Fellowship Hall for the presentation of the Honorary Life Membership Award and installation of PW leaders for 2024–25. Bring your own lunch. Light refreshments and fellowship start at 10:30 AM and program at 11 AM.

Join us for the 2024 Church Retreat - Registration for the 2024 Brownson Church Retreat is open! This year the retreat will be September 27-29 at Camp Caraway, just an hour from Southern Pines. For the past two years, the retreat has served as a wonderful time of fellowship, laughter, great food, fun activities and worship. This retreat is for ALL ages and all size families! You can register at www.brownsonchurch.org/registration. If you would like to support the retreat financially by making a donation to help keep the cost affordable for all participants, you can go to www.brownsonchurch.org/give and select Church Retreat from the dropdown menu.

Music Notes

Our Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in the choir room. YOU are invited to come make music with us! We'd love to welcome you. For more information, contact Amy Shortt, Director of Music Ministries, at music@brownsonchurch.org.

Local Missions | Ways to Serve

SANDHILLS COALITION

DONATION PRIORITIES: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Rice and Mac & Cheese.
DROP OFF LOCATION: Baskets in the Narthex
Contact Rev. Austin Vernon, discipleship@brownsonchurch.org

THE FOOD BANK

- Pack food boxes for low income seniors
- Sign up to volunteer on May 21, June 25, July 23
- Contact: Sara Conti at 937-725-3016 with any questions

FAMILY PROMISE

- Assisting homeless women with children. Volunteers needed for providing dinners and overnight hosts.
- Dates: June 10-13, August 26-29, November 11-14
- Contact: Chris DiMarco, cdimarco@nc.rr.com

Prayers and Praise

Today's **Chancel Flowers** are dedicated to the glory of God in honor of Mother's Day, especially our mothers who are no longer with us.

Hospital/Rehab: Walt Dower, Judy Johnson (The Greens at Pinehurst), Jean Wallen (MRH)

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

9:00 AM—Head Ushers: Rick & Ruth Burgin and members of Brownson Youth

11:10 AM—Head Ushers: Charles Harris and Patrick Depenbrock and members of Brownson Youth

Sunday Morning

NURSERY

During both services, there is a full service nursery for kids 3 and under. Loving staff welcome your children. The nursery is located in the Education Building. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN

Kids, pre-K through grade 5 are invited after Moment with the Children in the 9 AM service. Parents, if your child is participating, please fill out a Brownson Kids sticker for each child, place it on them before they come to the front. Stickers are in the pews.

All children are invited from Higher Grounds at 10:15 AM to join Kids Connect classes in the Education Building.

YOUTH

Middle school youth will be invited from Higher Grounds at 10:15 AM to join Erin for connect classes in the Youth Suite.

ADULT GROUPS

The Living Word Today A current events class, through the lens of our Christian faith, using *The Wired Word* curriculum. Conference Room A at 10 AM or Zoom. Log in to Zoom.com: Meeting ID: 825 8501 9818 Passcode: 664945.

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

Donuts and Devotionals Join us in Conference Room C at 10:15 AM. We discuss some of the most important stories in the Bible. Led by Rev. Austin Vernon

Kids & Youth Connect Groups Sunday & Mid-Week

Kids Connect—Happy Mother's Day to all Brownson Kids moms and those who love like moms! Enjoy your family time tonight with no evening programs. We look forward to seeing you at our End of Year Celebration on Friday, May 17, from 6:00-8:30. See details in the weekly email!

Youth Connect—Congratulations to all the youth and their work on Youth Sunday this week! We want to thank our adult youth volunteers who are amazing people and who give so much of their time, energy and love to our youth: Alicia and Ryan Riggan, Andrew Benbow, Ken MacDonald, Chris Hunt, Ginger Monroe, Chelsea Morrison and Christian Freberg. There is NO youth group tonight. Next week is the end of the year celebration! All youth AND their families are invited to a cookout 5-7 PM at church. There will be outdoor games and a time to honor the senior class. Middle school families bring a side, high school families bring a dessert.

Mid Week Adult Connect Groups

The Brownson's Presbyterian Women and Men's Groups invite everyone of the church to join in their Bible Study and fellowship.

PW Circle 6—Monday, May 13 at 10 AM in Conference Room B. Led by Libby Marsh.

PW Circle 3—Monday, May 13 at 11 AM in Conference Room C. Led by Sandra Olbon.

PW Circle 2—Tuesday, May 14 at 10 AM in Conference Room C. Led by Linda Bryant

Men's Theology on Tap on Wednesday, May 15, at 6 PM at Midland Country Club's Table on the Green, 2205 Midland Rd, Pinehurst. Led by Charles Harris and Gerald Ostlund.