

BROWNSON

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A missional community called to love and live in Christ

August 11, 2024



Elijah Under the Broom Tree, by Annamora of Wollongong, Australia.

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 | 10 AM

Livestream | 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 "Prelude on 'King's Weston'" John Barr, Ralph Vaughn Williams
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 Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection*

Welcome New Members

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship Out of the depths we cry to you, O God.
Hear our voices!
We wait for you; in your word we hope.
Let us lift God's name together,
for we sought the Holy One who answered us;
God delivered us from all fear.
Look to God, beloved, and be radiant.

+Hymn 15 "All Creatures of Our God and King" LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Stanzas 1-4 and 6

Confessing

Call to Confession Kelli Garbett, *Director of Children and their Families*

Prayer of Confession Merciful God, we confess that we have not lived as your faithful children. We have been angry with the world, harboring grudges against our adversaries. We have hoarded the fruits of our labor, rather than share our bounty with those in need. We have not built up our neighbors with words of kindness, but have indulged in gossip. We have failed to forgive, even though we desire your forgiveness toward us. Heal us, O God, and give us the grace to love as Christ loved us. Amen.

Kyrie



Cantor to sing first. Congregation on repeat.

Assurance of Pardon

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 "Amazing Grace" arr. Ed Lojeski
Men's Ensemble

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

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, 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	1 Kings 19:4-8 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	Holy Bible, page 322
Sermon	Holy Rest	Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, <i>Associate Pastor</i>
+Hymn 824	"There Is a Quiet Place of Rest"	MC AFEE

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 From A Brief Statement of Faith 11.3 Amy Shortt, *Director of Music Ministries*
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. 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 Rev. Dr. William Giles

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 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Thomas A. Dorsey
Men's Ensemble
Thomas A. Dorsey was the first to combine the rhythms of jazz and blues with music of the church. Author A. Heilbut described Dorsey's influence on gospel music by saying he "combined the good news of the gospel with the bad news of the blues." Precious Lord was written after the tragic death of Dorsey's wife and newborn son in 1932. A plea for faith and hope during difficult time, Precious Lord is considered one of the most famous and enduring gospel songs of all time.

+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 Bill Berger

Departing

+Hymn 463 "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION

+Benediction

+Congregational Response 542 "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" GOD BE WITH YOU
**God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

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

Postlude "Ye Servants of God" Alan Mahnke
Diana Kirkpatrick, organ

Announcements

Today— Lemonade on the Lawn following the 10 AM service. Join in the fellowship on the grassy area between the Education Building and the Conference Centers. Rain Location: Fellowship Hall.

Today is the last Second Sundays of Summer at Brownson: Over the summer, we have worked through a study called "Choose Joy" that walked families through the book of Philippians. Even in the busyness of summer, we hope this formation opportunity helped our children, youth, and their families connect to the joy we have in Christ. We will share these packets in conjunction with fellowship at Lemonade on the Lawn. Devotions can be picked up in the Atrium!

Join us for the 2024 Church Retreat - There is still space available for the annual Brownson Church Retreat! If you missed the August 1 deadline to register, don't worry. We have several spots open and you can still register! Join us **September 27-29** at Camp Caraway for a weekend of fellowship, fun, food, and worship. There is something for everyone on this retreat and activities planned for every age and every family. Register by going to brownsonchurch.org/ registration or call the church office. You can also talk to Kelli, Erin and Austin if you have questions or need help registering.

Brownson Church Library is open Monday - Thursday from 9-4 in the Cornerstone Building on the second floor with resources to help grow your faith.

Music Notes



Thank you to the men's ensemble for giving of their time and talents in a musical reminder of God's steadfast love and amazing grace available to us all.

Prayers and Praise

Today's **Chancel Flowers** are dedicated to the glory of God given by Steve and Debbie Brooks in loving memory of Debbie's father, Vern Smith.

Hospital/Rehab: Jean Wallen (MRH), Joan Power (Duke).

Member Death: We share in the hope of the risen Christ with the family of Walt Dower upon his death on August 2, 2024. A memorial service will be held at his home church in Connecticut at a later date.

Member Death: We share in the hope of the risen Christ with the family of Mary Ellen Skidmore upon her death on August 3, 2024. A memorial service will be held in New York at a later date.

Celebration: The rose on the baptismal font, given by the Coleman Baby Rose Fund, is in celebration of the birth of Summer Elaine Broadwell, daughter of James and Madison Broadwell, born on August 2, 2024.

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

Head Usher: Chris Jordan, Paula Zellers, Marjorie Heffner, Bill Zell, Kelley Kibler.

Sunday Morning

NURSERY

During worship, 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 10 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.

ADULT GROUPS

The Living Word Today—Non-partisan current events are discussed each Sunday morning using *The Wired Word* curriculum with Biblical references. Conference Room A at 9 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 9 AM.

Mid Week Adult Connect Groups

The Brownson Groups invite everyone of the church to join in their Bible Study and fellowship.

Men's Theology on Tap on Wednesday, August 14, at 6 PM at Midland Country Club's Table on the Green, 2205 Midland Rd, Pinehurst. We are studying "Encountering the Holy Land" for the summer with a video series and a Holy Land Atlas. Led by Charles Harris and Gerald Ostlund.

Mom's Group on Wednesday, August 14, 7—8 PM, in the Youth Suite. Contact Rev. Elizabeth Doolin at elizabeth@brownsonchurch.org for questions.

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
- No volunteer days in August or September.
- 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: August 26-29, November 11-14
- Contact: Chris DiMarco, cdimarco@nc.rr.com

NORTH MOORE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

SHOE DRIVE—Local Missions is collecting new gym shoes, sizes kindergarten thru adult, for NMFRC for the students in North Moore County! When out shopping, please consider buying some extra shoes. There will be a collection box in the narthex throughout August and September! Our goal is to collect 100 pairs of shoes!!



SUMMER SERVICE HOURS

10 AM

In-Person & Online

June 16-September 1

9-10 AM—Adult Classes

No Higher Grounds June 16—September 1