

# BROWNSON

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A missional community called to love and live in Christ*

## August 13, 2023



### 2023 Session of Brownson

Alice Herrington | Alicia Riggan | Amelia Kirkland | Andrew Benbow | Ann Edgerton | Art Edgerton | Beverley Pellom  
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Kathy McPherson | Ken Goodman | Larry Riggan | Lee Pittman | Mollie Calhoun | Morgan Strickland | Ryan Ciccone  
Sara Conti | Sara James | Scout Cain (Y) | Wesley Little (Y)

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**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

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**Sunday Worship | 10:00 AM**

**Livestream | 10:00 AM**



## Gathering

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*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** "Non Nobis, Domine" William Byrd  
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** Austin Vernon, *Director of Discipleship and Missions*

## The Praise of God

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**+Call to Worship** O give thanks to the Lord!  
**Sing to God! Tell of God's wonderful works!**  
Remember all the things God has done!  
**We glory in God's holy name!**  
Seek the Lord, our strength and refuge:  
**we come to be in God's presence.**

**+Hymn 8** "Eternal Father, Strong To Save" MELITA  
Vs. 1, 2 & 4

## Confessing

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**Call to Confession**  
**Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, It is easy to confess with our lips that you are Lord, but it is harder to believe with our hearts, to live in a way that puts you first. We depend on what we can see, touch, and control instead of waiting to hear your still, small voice. Forgive us, Lord, and help our unbelief, so that what we confess with our lips we may truly believe in our hearts. 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**  
**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

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

**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	Matthew 14:22-33 The Word of the Lord. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
Sermon	Toward Them	Rev. John Hage, Senior Pastor
+Hymn 834	"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"	PRECIOUS LORD

## Responding

+Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed <b>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.</b>	
+Gloria	"Gloria Patri" <b>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.</b>	GREAT OREX
Prayers of the People	Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, <i>Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection</i>	
The Lord's Prayer	<b>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.</b>	
Invitation to the Offering Offertory	"Do Not Be Afraid" Small Ensemble	Phillip Stopford
+Presentation of Gifts	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" <b>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.</b>	OLD HUNDREDTH
+Prayer of Thanksgiving	Don Power	

## Departing

+Hymn 410	"God Is Calling Through the Whisper"	W ŻŁOBIE LEŻY
+Benediction		
+Choral Response	"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"	GOD BE WITH YOU
<i>A moment of silence followed by three chimes, signifying the Trinity, concludes Worship.</i>		
Postlude	"Come, O Spirit" Diana Kirkpatrick, organ	arr. Robert Powell

## Announcements

**Share it Sunday:** There is so much goodness that happens during the summer at Brownson! We invite our congregation to join us in worship on **August 20** as our kids and youth share the amazing things that happened in their lives this summer. Whether it was letting our light shine at VBS, or serving others at Camp Monroe, or studying the 23rd Psalm at Masanetta, or finding joy at Montreat, every single student has a story to tell. We hope you'll be there as we listen and worship together!

**Children:** Please join us on August 20 for Share it Sunday as some of our children lead in worship. They will be sharing the lessons learned and fun had during all our summer experiences! Kids fall evening programs kick off on September 10 with a night of fun and September 17 with our parent meeting. Mark your calendars!

**Youth:** So many great things coming up! Middle school girls meet at church on Tuesday, 5:30-8:15 PM for a paint party. Middle school boys meet at church on Thursday, 5:15-8:15 PM on for games at the NAV. 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 19**—The PW summer gathering will be held at Highland Presbyterian Church, 111 Highland Avenue, Fayetteville, 10:00 AM. Inquiries: Elaine Sills, elainemorgansills@gmail.com.

**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

**Chancel Choir:** The kickoff for the new Chancel Choir year will be on **Wednesday, August 16 at 6:30 PM** in the Choir Room. Any members of the congregation who are interested in participating in the Chancel Choir, please contact Matt Franks, Interim Music Director at bmpcmusic@gmail.com. Hope to see you on August 16!

## Prayers and Praise

**Hospital/Rehab:** Justine Ostlund (MRH), John McPhaul (St. Joseph of the Pines)

## Serving Today

**Thank you to our Greeters serving today:**

**10:00 AM** Head Usher: Allan Beck, Lisa Beck, Logan Beck, Ashleigh Beck, John Eddy

## 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.

### **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**

