

BROWNSON

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

March 19, 2023



2023 Session of Brownson

Alice Herrington | Alicia Riggan | Amelia Kirkland | Andrew Benbow | Ann Edgerton | Art Edgerton | Beverley Pellom
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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

John Tyson—director of music ministries

Austin Vernon—director of discipleship and missions

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Sunday Worship | 9 & 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 as we would love to connect with you.

Prelude "Vater unser im Himmelreich" Johann Pachelbel
David Jesse, organ

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

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

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship Welcome, friends, to this holy day. (9:00) Ella Vonderkall (11:10) Brisson Family

We come to offer thanks; we come to sing and pray.

Welcome, friends, to this time set apart,

and time to remember the holy promises of God.

Welcome, friends, to this table of remembrance and joy,

the table where we are fed, the feast we share with many.

Welcome, friends, and let us worship God.

+Hymn 504 "We Come As Guests Invited" WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

Confessing

Call to Confession Rev. Sue Hudson

Prayer of Confession God of compassion and mercy, we fail to see what you are doing in the world. Forgive us when we do not recognize your miracles, and when we doubt the wisdom of your actions. Forgive us when we do not respond to your call, ignoring what we need to do to show the world your love and grace. Amen.

Kyrie 555 O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

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.**

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 "The Stranger's Guise" Karen Marriolli
The Chancel Choir | Holland Phillips, violin

Moment with Children Kelli Garbett, *Director of Children and their Families*
Children four to second Grade may depart for kids worship

Baptism (11:10 AM) Hudson and Anna Blair Brisson, son and daughter of Owen and Erin Brisson

Hymn 482 "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 Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Scripture Lesson Luke 14:7-14
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

+Please Stand

Sermon	Seating Arrangements	Rev. John Hage, Senior <i>Pastor</i>
+Hymn 769	“For Everyone Born” Vs. 1—All, Vs. 2-3 Soloist, Vs. 4-5—All	FOR EVERYONE BORN

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	The Apostles’ 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.

+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. Susan Hudson
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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.
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Invitation to the Offering

Offertory	“What Wondrous Love is This” Holland Phillips, violin	arr. Duane Funderburk
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+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
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Prayer of Thanksgiving	(9:00) Ken MacDonald (11:10) Janie Monroe
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Departing

+Hymn 301	“All Are Welcome” Vs. 1-, 3 & 5	TWO OAKS
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+Benediction

+Choral Response	“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”	GOD BE WITH YOU
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Postlude	“Postlude on Psalm 50” David Jesse, organ	Gerhard Krapf
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A moment of silence followed by three chimes, signifying the Trinity, concludes Worship.

Announcements

Easter Flowers: To donate an Easter lily in honor or in memory of someone, please use the yellow special offering envelope in the pew racks. Please indicate your dedication on the envelope.

You're Invited you to a Meet & Greet today during Higher Grounds. Amie Fraley, ED of Habitat For Humanity and Dan Joslin, Habitat's Faith Relations Coordinator will join us so that you can be aware of those Brownson supports both financially and through voluntarism.

Church Barbecue—April 2: Please reserve your meal by registering: brownsonchurch.org/registration.

New Member Gathering: If you are interested in learning more about Brownson's vibrant growing church, join us on March 19 at 10:15 AM in the Cornerstone Conference Room for a chat with Rev. John Hage.

Join us on tomorrow at 11 AM in Fellowship Hall. This PW Gathering presents a panel discussion on Connecting Available Resources for Education, Mentoring, and Literacy in Moore County lead by Joyce Clevenger, Executive Director, C.A.R.E. Group. Light refreshments and fellowship start at 10:30 AM.

PW Scholarship Applications—Presbyterian Women award scholarships to Brownson members pursuing a college, graduate, or Divinity school degree. Scholarship Applications for the 2023–24 school year are available in the office or on the PW webpage. The deadline to apply is April 15. For more info, contact Linda Webb at 910.690.2919.

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YOUTH

For youth group tonight we will be joining the church for the Talent Show in Fellowship Hall 5-7 PM. Montreat registration is due **today!** Massanetta and ASP registration are due April 1. Please see Erin with any questions. Put May 14 on your calendar for youth Sunday!

CHILDREN

Join us tonight for our Talent Show and Ice Cream Social Fundraiser at 5:00! It's going to be a great time of great talent and fun, so we hope to see you there! Please note there is NO Kids Music tonight. Next week is our Easter Walkthrough, so we're getting excited for that as well!

Say Yes to VBS – our kickoff VBS meeting will be Monday, March 27 at 5:30 in the youth suite. If you love kids, love the energy of VBS, have a gift of teaching or registration or prepping snacks or the list is endless - we have a place for you. Our VBS week is June 12 – 15, so we hope you'll join us and Say Yes to VBS!



Prayers and Praise

Hospital/Rehab: Dottie Bennett

Christian Sympathy: David Wood upon the death of his brother Thomas Wood on March 10. Also to Jeannette Wilson upon the death of her brother, Bob Price on March 15.

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

9 AM: Head Usher—Chris Jordan, Marjorie Heffner, Chris & Kelley Kibler, Stu White, Bill Zell, Paula Zellers

11:10 AM: Head Usher—Pat Henry, Susan Bowness, Anita Emery, Ginger & Janie Monroe, Joan Power, Betsy Robinson.

Chancel Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and given by Joan Bruno.

Schedule for Holy Week

Sunday, April 2—Palm Sunday: 9 & 11 AM

Join us for this special Sunday with a Palm procession, trumpets, welcoming new members, and you are invited to an all-church Barbecue. We hope you will invite a friend and join us as we begin Holy Week.

Thursday, April 6—Maundy Thursday

Tenebrae Service @ 7 PM

Join us for this powerful service in shadows with communion. We remember Christ's last supper with his disciples and through a series of dimming lights, and powerful music, we remember the sacrifice of Christ. Many people have called this one of the most moving services of the year.

Friday, April 7—Good Friday

Prayer Service @ 12 PM

On Good Friday we remember the death of our Lord Jesus on the Cross during this meaningful prayer service.

Sunday, April 9—Easter Sunday - 9 & 11 AM

On Easter we invite you to join in the Hallelujah Chorus, to flower the Cross, and join us for worship!

BROWNSON PRESENTS A

TALENT SHOW

And Ice Cream Social

MARCH 19 - 5 PM—Fellowship Hall

To share your talent contact: Kelli Garbett, children@brownsonchurch.org

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CHURCH BARBECUE

SUNDAY, APRIL 2—12:15 PM

FELLOWSHIP HALL

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