

BROWNSON

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A missional community called to love and live in Christ

April 24, 2022

9:00 AM In Person

11:10 AM In Person & Online



Rev. John Hage—senior pastor

Rev. Carolyn Helms—transitional associate pastor

Kelli Garbett—director of children and their families

John Tyson—director of music ministries

Austin Vernon—director of discipleship and missions



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Gathering

Prelude

Ritual of Friendship

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

News of the Church Alive

John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship

Beloved, we come this day
To the heart of the mystery of God's love:
 It is a love that seeks not supremacy, but service.
It is a love that finds power in humility.
 It is a love that gives itself freely, even unto death.
Come, see what love the Father has for us.

+Hymn 267

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

Confessing

Call to Confession

Austin Vernon, *Director of Discipleship and Missions*

Prayer of Confession

O God, your love is boundless and your grace exceeds our imaginations. You keep finding ways to be among us, even when the doors of our hearts are locked. Graciously, you seek us out. We cannot hide, but we can confess that sin has us in its grip. It has led us from your ways and corrupted our best intentions, tempting us to believe that you don't notice, that you aren't even present. Correct our vision. Cleanse our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome you and receive the fullness of what you have given us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie 551



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

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

"Living Witnesses"

Lloyd Larson

Small Ensemble

We are the living witnesses of Christ, our Lord. By faith, we've seen the truth of God revealed. We stand united by His love in on accord, and by His blood our pardon has been sealed. Though we may not feel His hands, though we may not touch His scars, we have seen the power of love, God's holy plan! In Christ we bear witness to God's holy plan: God's Son, made flesh for all to see. By faith we can tough the nail prints in His hands, and by His grace our spirits are set free. Who will be a witness? Will you be a witness for my Lord? I will be a witness for my Lord.

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	Acts 5:27-32 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	What will we do with our BELIEF?	Carolyn Helms, <i>Transitional Associate Pastor</i>
+Hymn 724	"O Jesus, I Have Promised" Vs. 1, 2 & 4	ANGELS STORY

Responding

+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		John Hage, <i>Senior Pastor</i>
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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		Austin Vernon, <i>Director of Discipleship and Missions</i>
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Offertory	"In the Garden" David Jesse Piano	Jason Krug
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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) Sara Conti (11:10) Don Branch	
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Departing

+Hymn 246	"Christ Is Alive!" Vs. 1-4	TRURO
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Benediction

+Choral Response	"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"	GOD BE WITH YOU
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Postlude

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

Announcements

New Member Meet & Greet: Please join Rev. John Hage in the Atrium at 10 AM, get a cup of coffee and a donut and the group will head over to the Cornerstone Building Conference Room for a Meet & Greet until 11 AM. Come and learn more about Brownson Church.

Guest Preacher May 1: The Bill Jones Committee will be welcoming Donald Davis as our Guest Preacher next Sunday. Donald spent 25 years as a minister in the United Methodist Church and is now a well know storyteller. He will do a talk in Fellowship Hall at 10 AM.

Church Barbecue: Register for the Church Barbecue here: brownsonchurch.org/registration. It will be a fun afternoon of connection with your church family.

NYC Choir Concert: May 15—the choirs participating in the Carnegie Hall performance will offer a concert in the Sanctuary on Sunday, May 15 at 4 PM.

NYC Choir Fundraiser: May 1 baked potato bar in FSH at 12:30. All proceeds benefit the choir trip to Carnegie Hall.

Congregational Meeting to vote on the 2022 Nominating Committee will be held on Sunday, May 1 immediately following the 11:10 AM service. The roster of the proposed Nominating Committee is: Dixie Parks (Elder), Larry Riggan (Elder), Alex Bowness, Mary Pat Buie, Kate Pomplun and Amanda Bullock. Names, photos and bios will be included in the bulletin on May 1.

Ways to Connect

Brownson Connects:

The Ligon Bible Class- This class is participating in the Lenten Study. Join us in Conference Room B at 10 AM.

The Living Word Today (hybrid) – This class discusses current events through the lens of our Christian faith, using *The Wired Word* curriculum. Join us in Conference Room A or on Zoom at 10 AM. Meeting ID: 815 7201 6346, Passcode: 058642.

Donuts and Devotionals – Bring your coffee and donuts to Conference Room C at 10 AM as we discuss some of the most important stories in the New Testament.

Adult Studies:

Theology on Tap—The men of the church meet on Wednesday nights at 6 PM at Table on the Green.

Men's Prayer Breakfast - This men's group meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7 AM at Sizzlin' Steak or Eggs. Please contact Bill Berger for more information.

Children & Youth:

Youth will meet from 5:00 PM to 7:00PM. Wear your running shoes for a youth favorite activity Christians vs. Romans.

Children: No Kids Music this Sunday. It is Fourth Sunday of Fellowship with Brownson Kids meeting at Sandhills Bowling Center at 5:00 PM. Cost is \$10, and we will dismiss from the bowling alley.

Local Missions | Ways to Serve

THE COALITION

Gilmore Client Services—1500 Indiana Ave

- Sort clothing and/or food
- Third Wednesday of each month 10 AM-12 PM
- Contact: Jan Lindstrom mjlindstrom75@gmail.com

THE FOOD BANK

195 Sandy Ave., Southern Pines

- Pack Senior Food Boxes
- Second Tuesday of each month 9 AM-11 AM
- Contact: Bob McCall rdm36@charter.net

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

- Every other month Brownson will repair homes in greater Southern Pines
- 12-14 Volunteers needed per repair
- Dates are: May 21, July 16, September 17 and November 19
- Contact: Don Power donc6power@gmail.com

VIRTUAL SANDHILLS CROP HUNGER WALK

April 24, 2022—donations can be made by visiting: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/southernpinesnc> to donate or drop a check off at the church payable to Sandhills Crop Hunger Walk.

HYGIENE KITS FOR UKRAINE

The women of Brownson will be assembling hygiene kits for the people of Ukraine. Items needed for each kit:

- One hand towel
- One wash cloth
- One wide tooth comb
- One fingernail or toenail clipper
- One bar standard size soap in original packaging
- 10 standard bandaids

Please leave items in the box at the Information Center in the Atrium. Assembly date to be announced.

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

9:00 —Head Usher Allan Beck, Logan & Ashleigh Beck, Lisa Beck, Dave Devendorf, Ben Eddy, John Eddy

11:10 —Head Usher Scott Absher, Chuck Davis, Will Herring, Lee Pittman, Michael White.

Chancel Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God given by Jim & Linda Webb in memory of Jim's parents Glenn & Elizabeth Webb and in honor of Jim's brother, Glenn F Webb, Jr.

Prayers and Praise

Hospital/Rehab: John Lowry (MRH), Ruth Hellinger (MRH), Rudy Carlson (St. Joe's).