

BROWNSON

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A missional community called to love and live in Christ

May 21, 2023

Life in the Spirit

2023 Session of Brownson

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

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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 "Holy Spirit Truth Divine" Robert Lind
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*
Welcome New Members (11:10)

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship We may not know the time or the place,
but we know that God is restoring the world.
We may not see the risen Christ before us,
but we know his spirit rests on us.
We may not know what God is doing next,
But we come together in faith, excited to discover it!

+Hymn 267 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" MADRID

Confessing

Call to Confession
Prayer of Confession

Christ who was and is and is to come, we stand looking up at the heavens, looking for you there. Forgive us for believing that you have left us. Forgive us for failing to recognize you in the world around us. Forgive us for waiting idly for your return, instead of doing the work you have called us to do. You are above us, around us, before us, and within us; help us to embody you in our time and place, today, tomorrow, and forevermore. 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

Anthem "I Will Give Thanks" Lloyd Larson

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

Baptism (9:00) Catherine Musselwhite, Daughter of William and Stephanie Musselwhite

Hymn 482 (9:00) "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 "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	Psalm 111 Col 3:15-17 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	Life in the Spirit...Thankfulness	Rev. John Hage, <i>Senior Pastor</i>
+Hymn 647	"Give Thanks"	GIVE THANKS

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	Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, <i>Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection</i>	
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.	
Installation of Elder	David Wood	
Invitation to the Offering		
Offertory	"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Lucy Kimbell, soprano	arr. Mark Hayes
+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 AM) Alicia Riggan (11:10 AM) Andrew Benbow	

Departing

+Hymn 39	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	FAITHFULNESS
+Benediction	A moment of silence followed by three chimes, signifying the Trinity, concludes Worship. A congregational meeting will be held immediately following the 11:10 AM service.	
Postlude	"Jesus Shall Reign" Diana Kirkpatrick, organ	Gerhard Krapf

Announcements

Today's **Chancel Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Pat and Gregg Allen in honor of all Brownson High School and College graduates this spring.

Local Mission Meet & Greet: Join us during *Higher Grounds* for our Local Missions Meet & Greet **today** where the Boys & Girls Club Development Director John Earp will be available to discuss Brownson's long standing partnership and how you might become involved.

Congregational Meeting: There will be a Congregational Meeting **today immediately following the 11:10 AM service.** The purpose of the meeting is to vote on the 2023 Nominating Committee and to install Elder David Wood.

Concerts @ Brownson Sunday, May 21 @ 7pm-

Faure's Requiem featuring choir members from Brownson, Community Congregational Church, Culdee Presbyterian Church, and Southern Pines United Methodist Church. Orchestra members from around the state of North Carolina.

Friday, June 2 @ 7pm-

A Celebration of Brahms' Chamber Music

Brownson Church Retreat - Mark your calendar for our Brownson Church Retreat - September 22 - 24, 2023. It's a great time of faith, fun, and fellowship at Caraway Conference Center, only one hour from Brownson! We hope you'll add it to your calendar and plan to join us! Register here: brownsonchurch.org/registration or by using the QR code.



YOUTH

Today is our final youth group of the year! We're having a pool party and cookout at the Parks house (620 N Bethesda Rd., Southern Pines) **3-5 PM**. HS girls bring soda, MS girls bring dessert, all boys bring a side. There will be games and prizes! Let's celebrate the end of a great year!

CHILDREN

Please join us tonight for the End of Year Kids Celebration and 5th Grade Promotion from 5:00-7:00 at Thagard Lake in Whispering Pines. Preschool -2nd grades please bring a side (chips, fruit, salad, etc.), and 3rd-5th grades please bring a dessert. Excited to celebrate together the end of a wonderful year!

If you are a parent with little ones and need to leave worship with a crying or fussy baby, you can go to the Parlor (in the Atrium) and continue to watch the worship service with audio on the TV monitor. Please ask an usher for directions if needed.

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

9 AM: Head Usher—Allan Beck, Lisa Beck, Logan Beck, John Eddy, Ben Eddy

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

Local Missions | Ways to Serve

SANDHILLS COALITION

DONATION PRIORITIES: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Rice and Mac & Cheese.

NEW DROP OFF LOCATION: Two locations, Baskets in the narthex or Starbucks Drive-Thru - Taylortown.

Contact: Jan Lindstrom, mjlindstrom75@gmail.com for volunteer opportunities.

THE FOOD BANK

- Pack food boxes for low income seniors
- NO JUNE volunteer day. Sign-up for July 11 & Aug 8, 9 AM-11 AM.
- Contact: Bob McCall, rdm36@charter.net

FAMILY PROMISE

- Assisting homeless women with children
- Dates: May 22-25
- Contact: Chris DiMarco, cdimarco@nc.rr.com

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 10 AM.

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 10 AM.

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

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.

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 and dropping them in the offering plate, through the **Give** tab on our website, or by using the QR code below. Thank you for your generosity!



Prayers and Praise

Hospital/Rehab:

Sheri LaForge (MRH)