

BROWNSON

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

November 9, 2025

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS

L O V E

joy

P E A C E

patience

K I N D N E S S

goodness

F A I T H F U L N E S S

gentleness

S E L F - C O N T R O L

GALATIANS 5: 22-23

2025 Session of Brownson

Alex Bowness | Andrew Benbow | Anne Friesen | Art Edgerton | Betsy Robinson | Bill Berger
Chris Hunt | B. Christian Freberg | David Malan | David Wood | Gena Smith | Jane Howard | Kara Vonderkall
Kamron Monroe | Kathy McPherson | Keith Walvoord | Lee Pittman | Lisa Hughes | Mandy Berg
Mollie Calhoun | Morgan Strickland | Pat Henry | Roy Cameron | Ryan Morrison | Luke Markotich (Y) | Janie 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 and organist

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Sunday Worship | 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 or phone number as we would love to connect with you. Please print legibly.

Gathering Music

Amy Shortt, organ

Ritual of Friendship

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

News of the Church Alive

John Cates

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship

We see light, hope, and joy;
We bring heart, soul, mind, and body;
We share blessings and fears;
We bring faith and doubt.
With all that we are and all that we have,
Let us worship God.

John Cates

+Hymn 36

For the Fruits of All Creation

AR HYD Y NOS

Confessing

Call to Confession

John Cates

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we often struggle to manifest the fruits of the Spirit, but find ourselves bound by works of the flesh. We know you have given us a single commandment to love our neighbor as ourselves. Yet we create fences around ourselves and our lives to keep neighbors out, telling ourselves we have no responsibility to share your fruit with the world. We wish it were different. When Jesus calls us to follow him, help us to listen and strengthen us to follow. 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

Moment with Children

Sarah Minkus

Children age four to fifth 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 #466

Come and Fill Our Hearts

Taize

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.**Come and Fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!***Congregation to join on repeat.*

Scripture Lesson

Galatians 5:22-25

Holy Bible, page 1065

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Sermon	Authentic Fruit	Rev. Hannah Ostlund
+Hymn 693	<i>The Gift of Love</i>	GIFT OF LOVE

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	Apostle's Creed	Janee Cates
	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		Janee Cates
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		
Solo	Make Me a Channel of Thy Peace	arr. Hayes
	Cora Pilewski, soprano	
+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	Amelia Kirkland	

Departing

+Hymn 727	<i>Will You Let Me Be Your Servant</i>	THE SERVANT SONG
+Benediction		Rev. Hannah Ostlund
+Congregational Response #306	<i>Blest Be the Tie that Binds</i>	DENNIS

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

Postlude	Marche Romaine	Charles F. Gounod
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Announcements

90 Years of Grace: God's Faithfulness, Our Story

If you haven't yet turned in your pledge for 2025, please find pledge cards in the Narthex or you can submit your pledge online: brownsonchurch.org/give.

The Presbyterian Women will be selling note cards in the Atrium from 10-11 AM each Sunday in November. Please plan to stop by for a package of eight of our own Linda Bryant's original designs for \$12.50. Proceeds support Mission initiatives.

Decorating the Sanctuary: You are invited to join the Worship Team in decorating the Sanctuary for Christmas on **Saturday, November 22 at 9 AM**. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP that you will join the fun, please contact Mollie Calhoun at molliecalhoun@hotmail.com.

Our Coat Drive has begun! We will be collecting new or gently used children's coats throughout the month of November to be distributed at Southern Pines Elementary in December.

Veteran's Roll Call—November 16: Join us during both services where we will acknowledge those in our congregation who have served and currently serve in the armed forces.

Thank you to our guest preacher, Rev. Hannah Ostlund for leading us in worship today. This allowed all of our pastoral staff to participate in the Church Retreat. Hannah is a 2023 graduate of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and just completed her Residency as a Lake Fellow at Second Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis, IN. We also thank John and Janee Cates and Amelia Kirkland for helping with worship today.

Music Notes

Our Bell Choir has been preparing and is excited to offer music in worship next Sunday, November 16.

Our Chancel Choir participated in the church wide retreat and yesterday, used part of the afternoon to have a focused session preparing for the Christmas Cantata.

We are delighted that the youth and children will have a part in this year's Christmas Cantata on December 14. If you have not signed your child up to participate, don't delay. Let Amy, Kelli, or Erin know as soon as possible.

Prayers and Praise

Today's **Chancel Flowers** are given by Sandra Olbon and dedicated to the Glory of God in celebration of the USMC 250th Birthday on November 10 and in loving memory of her husband Philip Teasley Olbon, on their wedding anniversary November 10.

Hospital/Rehab: Pat Copley (MRH)

Sunday Morning

NURSERY

During the 11:10 AM service, Brownson has a full service nursery in the Education Building for children 3 and under, where loving staff are ready to welcome your children. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN and YOUTH

Kids, pre-K through grade 5, are invited after Moment with the Children to join Kids Worship. 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 10 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 10 AM. Led by Linda Branch and Mary Margaret McNeill.

Donuts and Devotionals—Join us in Conference Room C at 10 AM. We discuss some of the most important stories in the Bible. Led by Rev. Austin Vernon.

HIGHER GROUNDS

Everyone is welcome to join in a time of fellowship, coffee and donuts in the Atrium during the 10 o'clock hour.

Kids & Youth Connect

KIDS CONNECT

There will be no Kids Connect tonight due to the church retreat. We will see you next week! If you have any questions about kids programs, please reach out to Kelli at children@brownsonchurch.org.

YOUTH CONNECT

There is no youth group tonight due to the Church Retreat. High school Bible study is Thursday morning 7:30-8:20 AM at PineScone Southern Pines. If you have any questions about youth ministry, please contact Erin Pollock at youth@brownsonchurch.org.

Mid Week Adult Connect Groups

Bible study groups invite everyone of the church to join in their Bible Study and fellowship.

Book of Matthew Fall Bible Study: Wednesday, November 12 at 10:30 AM, Cornerstone Conference Room. Led by Alice Herrington.

PW Circle 3 – Monday, November 10, at 11:00 AM, in Conference Room C. Led by Sandra Olbon.

PW Circle 6 – Monday, November 10 at 10:00 AM, in Conference Room B. Led by Libby Marsh

PW Circle 2 – Tuesday, November 11, at 10:00 AM, in Conference Room C. Led by Elaine Sills.

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

(11:10 AM) Head Usher: Michael White, Lee Pittman, Will Herring, Ryan Riggan

Local Missions | Ways to Serve

SANDHILLS COALITION

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

DROP OFF LOCATION: Baskets in the Narthex

Questions? Contact Caryl Schunk, cschunk@guilford.edu.