

BROWNSON

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

June 9, 2024



The Fabric of God's Family in Genesis

2024 Session of Brownson

Alex Bowness | Alice Herrington | Alicia Riggan | Amelia Kirkland | Andrew Benbow | Anne Friesen | Art Edgerton
Betsy Robinson | Beverley Pellom | Bill Berger | David McNeill | David Malan | David Wood | Don Branch
Jane Howard | John Bullard | Kara Vonderkall | Kathy McPherson | Ken Goodman | Lee Pittman
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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

330 South May Street, Southern Pines, North Carolina 28387
www.brownsonchurch.org — 910.692.6252
Sunday Worship | 9:00 & 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.

Prelude "The Trumpet Shall Sound from 'Messiah'" G. F. Handel
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 Rev. Austin Vernon, *Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Missions*

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship The steadfast love of God never ceases.
God's mercies never come to an end;
They are new every morning.
Great is your faithfulness, O God.
Weeping may linger for the night,
but joy comes in the morning.
So we will praise you and not be silent.
Let us give our thanks and praise to God.

+Hymn 65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" CWM RHONDDA

Confessing

Call to Confession Ever present God, you call us to be your hands and feet in the world. Forgive us for the times we have been afraid to reach out toward those left out or kept away. Help us recognize the harm we have done in our actions and inactions, and lead us to work toward a different way. Guide us to live in harmony with one another and the world you have created. Remind us of your expansive love, that we might recognize your presence everywhere we go. 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

Kelli Garbett, *Director of Children and their Families*

(9:00) children age four to third grade may depart for Kids Worship.

(11:10) children remain in worship with their families.

(9:00 & 11:10) 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 "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 **Genesis 12:1-5** Holy Bible, page 9
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon	Wayfaring Families	Alice Herrington, Ruling Elder
+Hymn 291	“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness” Stanzas 1, 2 & 4	SPIRIT

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 Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care
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” GREATOR EX
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

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

Offertory “Even Here” arr. Mark Miller
The Chancel Choir

+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 (9:00) Kathy McPherson (11:10) Ken Goodman

Departing

+Hymn 66 “Every Time I Feel the Spirit” PENTECOST
Wes Little and Ravon Sheppard, percussion

+Benediction

+Choral Response “Send Me, Jesus” THUMA MINA
Send me, Jesus; send me, Jesus; send me, Jesus; send me, Lord.
Lead me, Jesus; lead me, Jesus; lead me, Jesus; lead me, Lord.
Fill me, Jesus; fill me, Jesus; fill me, Jesus; fill me, Lord.

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

Postlude “Theme from ‘Jupiter Symphony’” W. A. Mozart
Diana Kirkpatrick, organ

Announcements

Front Cover Art by Ally Markotich, Title: In the Beginning, This piece will be printed in the upcoming book *Soul Kindling: Ignite Your Sacred, Creative Heart* available in October 2024.

Special thanks to Alice Herrington, Ruling Elder, for being our guest preacher today. Alice is currently a student at Duke Divinity School pursuing a Master of Christian Practice.

Local Mission Meet and Greet: Stop by Higher Grounds **today, from 9:30 – 11 AM** to meet Stephen Phillips, Director of Sandhills/Moore Coalition. He will share current and future Coalition activities. Their mission is to alleviate hunger and financial strains of struggling households in Moore County.

Today is the beginning of Second Sundays of Summer at Brownson: From June-August we will offer faith formation packets to families of children and youth on the Second Sunday of the month. Over the summer they will be working through a study called “Choose Joy” that will walk families through the book of Philippians. Even in the busyness of summer, we hope this formation opportunity will help our children, youth, and their families connect to the joy we have in Christ. We will share these packets in conjunction with fellowship opportunities on our Second Sundays, beginning with our final Higher Grounds coffee hour **today** before they take a break for the summer. Please join us **in the Atrium!**

The **Moms of All Ages and Stages Group** is having a Summer Social on **Wednesday, June 12, at 7 PM** at the Wine Cellar! We are kicking off our new book-club style format and will share the Summer and Fall schedule. Join us! If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin at Elizabeth@brownsonchurch.org.

We’re getting excited for a great **VBS June 24-27**. All children age 3 and potty trained – Grade 5 are welcome. Please invite your friends to register at brownsonchurch.org/registration. Our VBS Sunday is June 30 and we need volunteers to help with the meal after worship. If you are able to serve in this way, please reach out to Kelli at children@brownsonchurch.org.

Join us for the 2024 Church Retreat - Registration for the 2024 Brownson Church Retreat is open! This year the retreat will be **September 27-29** at Camp Caraway, just an hour from Southern Pines. For the past two years, the retreat has served as a wonderful time of fellowship, laughter, great food, fun activities and worship. This retreat is for ALL ages and all size families! You can register at www.brownsonchurch.org/registration. If you would like to support the retreat financially by making a donation to help keep the cost affordable for all participants, you can go to www.brownsonchurch.org/give and select Church Retreat from the dropdown menu. **Deadline to register is August 1.**

Music Notes

The summer is a time for fun and fellowship and we have an opportunity for YOU to do just that! **ACHORing Voices** is a fun, friendly, non-auditioned choir, open to ALL ages and abilities. You are invited to join us on **June 23, July 21, and August 18, at 9 AM** in the Music Suite. In this welcoming atmosphere, we will learn, sing, and share what we learned with our church family in the worship service at 10 AM. No previous experience or music reading ability necessary. All that is needed is YOU and a willingness to try. Come one Sunday, two Sundays or all three! We’d love to make music with YOU!

Prayers and Praise

Hospital/Rehab: Walt Dower and Judy Johnson (The Greens at Pinehurst)

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

9:00 AM—Head Ushers: Rick & Ruth Burgin, Frank Quis, Steve & Debbie Brooks, Jane & Paul Whit Howard, Don & Shirley Ruffy

11:10 AM—Head Ushers: Charles Harris and Patrick Depenbrock, Cornelia Morris, Gregg Allen, Wes Little, Ed Monroe, Michael & Sarah Garry

Sunday Morning

NURSERY

During both services, there is a full service nursery for kids 3 and under. Loving staff welcome your children. The nursery is located in the Education Building. Please see an usher for assistance.

CHILDREN

Kids, pre-K through grade 5, are invited after Moment with the Children in the 9 AM service. 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.

Donuts and Devotionals—Join us in Conference Room C at 10:15 AM. We discuss some of the most important stories in the Bible. Led by Rev. Austin Vernon

Local Missions | Ways to Serve

SANDHILLS COALITION

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

DROP OFF LOCATION: Baskets in the Narthex

Contact Rev. Austin Vernon, discipleship@brownsonchurch.org

THE FOOD BANK

- Pack food boxes for low income seniors
- Sign up to volunteer on June 25, July 23
- Contact: Sara Conti at 937-725-3016 with any questions

FAMILY PROMISE

- Assisting homeless women with children. Volunteers needed for providing dinners and overnight hosts.
- Dates: June 10-13, August 26-29, November 11-14
- Contact: Chris DiMarco, cdimarco@nc.rr.com

SUMMER READING STATIONS

Help distribute books, snacks, water, and other resources to children and their families at Aberdeen Lake Park this summer! Brownson’s two days are Wednesday **June 19** and **July 24**. Morning (10:30 AM-1:30 PM) and afternoon (1:30-4:30 PM) shifts are available. Two volunteers per shift. For additional information or to sign up, please contact Carol Lamphier at lamphomeagain@gmail.com.



SUMMER SERVICE HOURS

10 AM

In-Person & Online

June 16-September 1

9-10 AM—Adult Classes

No Higher Grounds June 16—September 1