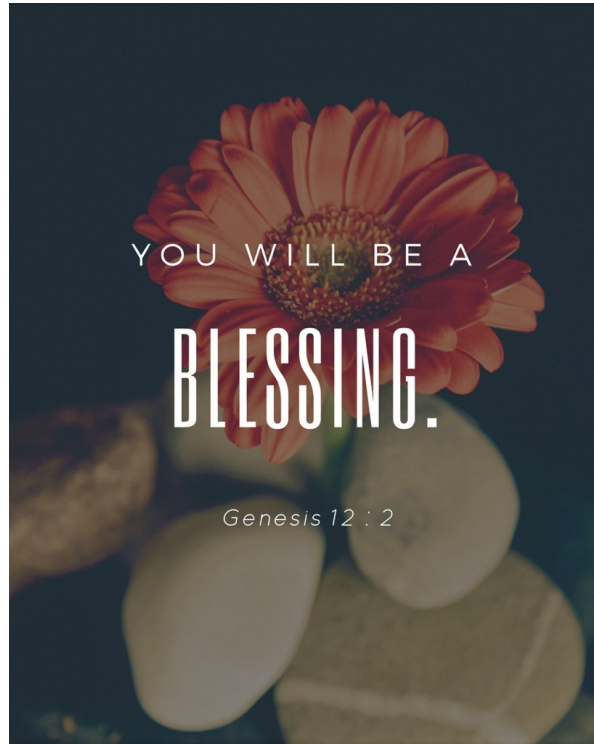


# BROWNSON

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A missional community called to love and live in Christ

## June 25, 2023



### 2023 Session of Brownson

Alice Herrington | Alicia Riggan | Amelia Kirkland | Andrew Benbow | Ann Edgerton | Art Edgerton | Beverley Pellom  
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Kathy McPherson | Ken Goodman | Larry Riggan | Lee Pittman | Mollie Calhoun | Morgan Strickland | Ryan Ciccone  
Sara Conti | Sara James | Scout Cain (Y) | Wesley Little (Y)

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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

**330 South May Street, Southern Pines, North Carolina 28387**  
**[www.brownsonchurch.org](http://www.brownsonchurch.org) — 910.692.6252**  
**Sunday Worship | 10:00 AM**  
**Livestream | 10:00 AM**



## Gathering

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*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** "Prelude on Down Ampney" Elizabeth Krouse  
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. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection*

**Minute for Mission** Camp Monroe

## The Praise of God

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**+Call to Worship** God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
**God is good to all, and God's compassion is over all that God has made.**  
All God's works shall give praise to their Creator.  
**We bless and praise you, maker of heaven and earth.**

**+Hymn 761** "Called As Partner's in Christ's Service" BEECHER

## Confessing

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**Call to Confession** Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, *Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection*

**Prayer of Confession** Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. 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

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**Anthem**

"The Call"

arr. Z. Randall Stroope

Small Ensemble

**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.**

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Scripture Lesson	Genesis 12:1-4 The Word of the Lord. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
Sermon	Where Can You Be a Blessing?	Rev. John Hage, <i>Senior Pastor</i>
+Hymn 69	"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"	HERE I AM

## Responding

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+Affirmation of Faith	<p style="text-align: right;">The Apostles' Creed</p> <p><b>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.</b></p>
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+Gloria	"Gloria Patri" 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.	GREATOREX
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Prayers of the People	<i>Austin Vernon, Director of Discipleship and Missions</i>
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The Lord's Prayer	<b>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.</b>
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### Invitation to the Offering

Offertory	"Will You Come and Follow Me" Small Ensemble	Tom Trenney
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+Presentation of Gifts	<b>"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"</b> <b>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;</b> <b>Praise Christ, all people here below;</b> <b>Praise Holy Spirit evermore;</b> <b>Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.</b>	OLD HUNDREDTH
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+Prayer of Thanksgiving	Wesley Little
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## Departing

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+Hymn 39	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	FAITHFULNESS
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### Benediction

Choral Response	"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"	LUTKIN
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**A moment of silence followed by three chimes, signifying the Trinity, concludes Worship.**

Postlude	"All Praise to You, O Lord" Diana Kirkpatrick, organ	Mahlon Balderston
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## Announcements

**Youth:** On Wednesday, June 28 middle school youth are invited to Ice Cream Parlor 7-8 PM for our first summer get together. High school youth will meet Thursday, June 29 at 9:30 AM at PineScone Southern Pines. The ASP pre-trip meeting is Thursday, June 29 at 6 PM in the youth suite

The **Wednesday Prayer Group** would love to have more caring hearts to join our team. If you would like to join us in lifting up members of our congregation and community in prayer, we meet at 11:00 AM on Wednesdays in the Parlor.

**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/](http://brownsonchurch.org/) registration or by using the QR code.



### SUMMER SERVICE HOURS 10 AM

**In-Person & Online  
June 18-September 3**

**9-10 AM—Higher Grounds & Adult Classes**

**9:30-10 AM All God's People Connect Group**

## Prayers and Praise

**Hospital/Rehab:** Brenda Hiscott (MRH), Bob Gordon (MRH) Heidi Hotchkiss

### Member Deaths:

We share in hope of the risen Christ with the families of:

Helen Ozment upon her death on June 9. A memorial service was held on June 17.

Philip R. Colwell upon his death on June 17. Phil and Bonnie recently moved to Littleton, CO. An internment service for Phil will be held in Boston, MA at a later date.

Dorothy (Dottie) Bennett upon her death on June 15. Dan and Dottie recently moved to the Charlotte area to be near family. Private services will be held at a later date

## Serving Today

**Thank you to our Greeters serving today:**

**10:00 AM** Head Usher: Frank Dean, Sara James, John Cates

## 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](mailto:mjlindstrom75@gmail.com) for volunteer opportunities.

### THE FOOD BANK

- Pack food boxes for low income seniors
- Sign up for July 11 and August 8, 9 AM-11 AM
- Contact: Bob McCall, [rdm36@charter.net](mailto:rdm36@charter.net)

### C.A.R.E. GROUP

Help pre-K to age 8 children choose a free book, hand out parent info & snack at Southern Pines Pool Park the week of July 17-22. To sign up for a shift (12-2:15 and/or 2:15-4:30) call Nancy Bryant, 910-692-5954, or [nancy@mcliteracy.org](mailto:nancy@mcliteracy.org); tell her you're from Brownson.

## 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 9AM. 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 9 AM.

**All God's People—Beginning June 18:** This connect group will explore an intergenerational devotional that is suitable for people of all ages. Kids, youth, and adults are invited to join us for this time of learning and fellowship. Grab some coffee and donuts and join us in Conference Room C at 9:30 AM! Led by Kelli Garbett, Erin Pollock, and Austin Vernon.

### 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, through the **Give** tab on our website, or by using the QR code. Thank you for your generosity!

