

# BROWNSON

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

**March 5, 2023**

**9 & 11:10 AM In Person**

**11:10 AM Online**



## **2023 Session of Brownson**

Alice Herrington | Alicia Riggan | Amelia Kirkland | Andrew Benbow | Ann Edgerton | Art Edgerton | Beverley Pellom  
Charlene Kinelski | Chris Jordan | David McNeill | David Wood | Dixie Parks | Don Branch | Don Power | John Bullard  
Kathy McPherson | Ken Goodman | Larry Riggan | Lee Pittman | Mollie Calhoun | Morgan Strickland | Ryan Ciccone  
Sara Conti | Sara James | Scout Cain (Y) | Wesley Little (Y)

**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

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## 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** "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Matt Hyzer  
David Jesse, piano

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

News of the Church Alive

Rev. John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

## The Praise of God

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+Call to Worship

(9 AM) Colton Milam (11:10 AM) Anna Depenbrock

Welcome, friends, to this holy day.

**We come to offer thanks; we come to sing and pray.**

Welcome, friends, to this time set apart,

**and time to remember the holy promises of God.**

Welcome, friends, to this table of remembrance and joy,

**the table where we are fed, the feast we share with many.**

Welcome, friends, and let us worship God.

+Hymn 509

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

HOLY MANNA

## Confessing

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, your giving is without end; but we struggle to receive all that you offer. We misuse your gifts, ignoring your intents, and refusing your abundance. Forgive us and help us discern your priorities. Govern our hearts with your spirit, so that we can live into the fullness of the gospel, and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie 555

**O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;**

**have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.**

Cantor to sing first. Congregation on repeat.

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

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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Moment with Children

(9 AM) Erin Pollock (11:10 AM) Kacy Depenbrock

children four to second grade may depart for Kids worship

Baptism (9 AM)

Hymn 482

Margaret Ann Greenbacker, daughter of John Hall and Shannon Greenbacker

"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

**Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.**

**Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.**

**Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to see.**

**Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 9:9-13

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Who is Invited to the Table?

Rev. John Hage, *Senior Pastor*

Special Music

"Draw the Circle Wide"

The Chancel Choir

## Responding

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### The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

#### Invitation to the Table

Rev. John Hage

#### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

#### The Sanctus (Hymn 559)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

#### Mystery of Faith

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

#### 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.**

#### Words of Institution

#### Sharing of the Elements

*The body of Christ broken for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.*

#### Prayer after Communion

#### Invitation to the Offering

#### Offertory

"Come to the Table of Grace"

TABLE OF GRACE

DeNesha McAllister, soprano | Matt Franks, tenor

#### +Presentation of Gifts

**"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

OLD HUNDRETH

**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 AM) Art Edgerton (11:10 AM) Beverley Pellom

## Departing

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#### +Hymn 525

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

LET US BREAK BREAD

#### +Benediction

#### +Congregational Response

"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"

DENNIS

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.**

**The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

#### Postlude

"Since I Have Been Redeemed"

arr. Roger House

David Jesse, piano

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

## Announcements

**Communion Elements:** All bread served at Communion today is gluten free. For certified pre packaged gluten free elements, please see an usher in the Narthex.

**Easter Flowers:** To donate an Easter lily in honor or in memory of someone, please use the yellow special offering envelope in the pew racks. Please indicate your dedication on the envelope.

**Save the Date—PW Gathering, March 20 at 11 AM.** All are invited to Fellowship Hall for a Panel Discussion on Connecting Resources for Education, Mentoring, and Literacy in Moore County lead by Joyce Clevenger, Executive Director, C.A.R.E. Group. Light refreshments and fellowship start at 10:30 AM.

**You're Invited** you to a Meet & Greet on March 19 during Higher Grounds. Amie Fraley, Executive Director of Habitat For Humanity - Sandhills and Dan Joslin, Habitat's Faith Relations Coordinator will join us so that you can be aware of the Partners Brownson supports both financially and through voluntarism.

**One Great Hour of Sharing** envelopes can be found in the pew racks. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need.

## CONNECT @ BROWNSON

### YOUTH

There is no regular youth group to-night. If you signed up to go to the Hurricanes game we are leaving at 1:30 PM today. High school youth, registration for Montreat is due March 19. See Erin for more details.

### CHILDREN

Think of everything you love about VBS - the energy, the music, the games, the fantastic Bible lessons, and wrap it into one awesome night. Join us at 4:00 for music and 5:00 for VBS in a Bubble!

Next week is one of the highlights of this spring. Please mark your calendars, children of all ages and their families, to join us March 12 for Family Worship Night and our Easter Adventure Kick-off!

### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

**PW Book Discussion** via Zoom on *Climate Justice* by Mary Robinson on Monday, March 13, 6:30-8:30 PM. To participate, register at [www.presbyterianwomen.org/justice](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org/justice).

**THANKS** to all who have contributed to the PW Scholarship Fund through our annual Stay-at-Home Tea fundraiser. There's still time to make a donation—any amount is appreciated! Join PW in supporting Brownson members pursuing a college, graduate, or divinity school degree.

## Prayers and Praise

**Member Death:** We share in the hope of the risen Christ with the family of Shirley Van Hoy upon her death on February 21.

**Hospital/Rehab:** Dottie Bennett, Meredith Clifton

## Serving Today

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

**9 AM:** Head Usher—Jim Webb, Bob & Peggy Flygar, Jan Lindstrom

**11:10 AM:** Head Usher—Frank Dean, Bill Berger, John Cates, Don & Brenda Hiscott, Sara James

## Schedule for Holy Week

**Sunday, April 2—Palm Sunday: 9 & 11 AM**

*Join us for this special Sunday with a Palm procession, trumpets, welcoming new members, and you are invited to an all-church Barbecue. We hope you will invite a friend and join us as we begin Holy Week.*

**Thursday, April 6—Maundy Thursday**  
Tenebrae Service @ 7 PM

*Join us for this powerful service in shadows with communion. We remember Christ's last supper with his disciples and through a series of dimming lights, we remember the sacrifice of Christ. Many people have called this one of the most powerful services of the year.*

**Friday, April 7—Good Friday**  
Prayer Service @ 12 PM

*On Good Friday we remember the death of our Lord Jesus on the Cross during this meaningful prayer service.*

**Sunday, April 9—Easter Sunday - 9 & 11 AM**

*On Easter we invite you to join in the Hallelujah Chorus, to flower the Cross, and join us for worship!*

## YOU'RE INVITED



TO THESE UPCOMING EVENTS AT  
BROWNSON CHURCH



**March 19**

*Talent Show and Ice Cream Social - 5 PM*

Brownson Kids invite you to this family friendly event. Enjoy all the talent Brownson has to offer while raising funds for a new playground.



**April 2**

*Church Barbeque - 12:15 PM*

In celebration of Palm Sunday and as the conclusion to the Lenten small group series, please plan to join us as we meet at the table and enjoy a meal together

Register for the barbecue: [brownsonchurch.org/registration](http://brownsonchurch.org/registration)