

BROWNSON

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A missional community called to love and live in Christ

June 23, 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
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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

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Sunday Worship | 10 AM

Livestream | 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 "Wunderbarer Konig" Don Freudenburg
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 Some look to technology or power to save them,
But we look to God.
Some look to quantity or efficiency as signs of success,
But we look to God.
For you, O God, have made us whole.
At the works of your hands, we sing for joy!
Let us worship Almighty God.

+Hymn 36 "For the Fruit of All Creation" AR HYD Y NOS

Confessing

Call to Confession Kelli Garbett, *Director of Children and their Families*
Holy One, as we seek to provide stability or comfort for ourselves and our families, the line between enough and excess can blur. We hesitate to offer support to strangers – what if we need it more one day? We choose convenience so often that we create mountains of waste as a result. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to recognize when enough really is enough and lead us to a balanced, generous life in harmony with you, our neighbors, and the creation of which we are a part. 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 "Christ Has Broken Down the Wall" arr. Mark Miller
aCHOIRing Voices

Moment with Children Kelli Garbett, *Director of Children and their Families*
Children age four to third 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 "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 30:1-13 The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	Holy Bible, pages 75—76
Sermon	Sibling Struggles	Rev. Austin Vernon, <i>Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Missions</i>
+Hymn 37	“Let All Things Now Living”	ASH GROVE

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	adapted from the Confession of Belhar 10.1-10.3 We believe in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects, and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ’s work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. We believe this unity of the people of God must be evident in how we love one another; how we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another; how we share one faith and one calling; and how we suffer with one another, pray for one another, together serve God in this world, and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity. Amen.	Rev. Dr. William Giles
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+Gloria	“Gloria Patri” Glorry 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

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.
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Invitation to the Offering

Offertory	“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Amy Shortt, piano	arr. Greer
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+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
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+Prayer of Thanksgiving	Ryan Morrison
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Departing

+Hymn 543	“O Christ, Surround Me”	GREEN TYLER
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+Benediction

+Congregational Response 746	“Send Me, Jesus” 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.	THUMA MINA
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A moment of silence followed by three chimes, signifying the Trinity, concludes Worship.

Postlude	“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” Diana Kirkpatrick, organ	Edwin Childs
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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.

We're getting excited for a great **VBS June 24-27**. Our VBS Sunday is June 30 where we will rejoice with the VBS children and their underwater theme. Volunteers are needed to help with the meal after service. If you are able to serve in this way, please reach out to Kelli at children@brownsonchurch.org.

Please join us for a **Family Meal following the 10 AM worship on Sunday, June 30**. Hot dogs, watermelon, chips, and drinks will be served from Fellowship Hall. No RSVP necessary. Come for the fellowship and fun. All are welcome as we share the hospitality of Brownson with our VBS friends!

Second Sundays of Summer at Brownson: This summer 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 Sunday, **July 14**. Please join us **in the Atrium!**

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



A CHOIRING
Voices

Join us this summer for a fun, friendly, non-auditioned choir!
All ages and abilities welcome!

9 AM in the Music Suite—June 23 | July 21 | August 18

Prayers and Praise

Today's **Chancel Flowers** are dedicated to the glory of God given by Steve and Ellen Leggett in honor of the youth of Brownson Church, for they are our future!

Hospital/Rehab: Walt Dower and Judy Johnson (The Greens at Pinehurst), Lynn Gardam (MRH), Jeff Gillette (in hospital overseas)

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

Head Usher: Allan Beck, Logan & Ashleigh Beck, John Eddy, Ben Eddy, Dave Devendorf

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 10 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 9 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 9 AM.

Donuts and Devotionals—Class will resume in September

Mid Week Adult Connect Groups

The Brownson Men's Groups invite everyone of the church to join in their Bible Study and fellowship.

Men's Theology on Tap on Wednesday, June 26, at 6 PM at Midland Country Club's Table on the Green, 2205 Midland Rd, Pinehurst. We are studying "Encountering the Holy Land" for the summer with a video series and a Holy Land Atlas. Led by Charles Harris and Gerald Ostlund.

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: 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 day to help is Wednesday, **July 24**. Morning (10:30 AM-1:30 PM) and afternoon (1:30-4:30 PM) shifts are available. Two volunteers per shift. Please contact Carol Lamphier at lamphomeagain@gmail.com for more information or to sign up.



SUMMER SERVICE HOURS
10 AM
In-Person & Online
June 16-September 1
9-10 AM—Adult Classes

No Higher Grounds June 16—September 1