

BROWNSON

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A missional community called to love and live in Christ

April 16, 2023



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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Sunday Worship | 9 & 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 as we would love to connect with you.

Prelude "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Chris Rice
Kelli Garbett, Piano

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

The Praise of God

+Call to Worship (9:00) Lera Dayne Holmes (11:10) Caroline Depenbrock

O magnify the Lord with me,
And let us exalt God's name together.
When we seek the Lord, we are answered.
God delivers us from all fears.
O taste and see that the Lord is good.
Happy are those who take refuge in God.

+Hymn 35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN

Confessing

Call to Confession Rev. Cynthia Strickland
Prayer of Confession

Our God and Savior, Your love has redeemed us, yet we stray from your way. We take your love for granted. We are misled by our prejudices, fear and pride. We confess that our love for others wavers, and we become indifferent towards the vulnerable, ignoring the hungry and rejecting the poor. Forgive us that we may recognize your mercies, and in turn, practice mercy. Help us to love as you have loved us, and to find strength in courage, humility, and service. Restore us that we may walk in your favor and magnify you in words and deeds. In Christ's name we pray, 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.**

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 "Grace" Mark Hayes

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, 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.

+Please Stand

Introduction to Gifts of Women Sunday 2023

Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Scripture Lesson

Luke 1:45-56
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(9:00) Betsy Robinson (11:10) Susan Bowness

Testimonies

Sara James, Scout Cain, Kate Pomplun, Alice Herrington, Reggie Reid

Scripture Lesson

Luke 24: 1-12

Katherine Ewing

Responding

+Hymn 697

“Take My Life”
vs. 1-2 All, vs. 3-4 Soloist, vs. 5-6 All

HENDON

Litany of Gratitude and Celebration

(9:00) Sarah Minkus (11:10) Ann Edgerton

Prayers of the People

Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection

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**

“Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me”
Erin Pollock and Janie Monroe, vocalists
Kelli Garbett, piano

arr. Dan Galbraith

+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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

(9:00) Anna Hage (11:10) Linda Bryant

Departing

+Hymn 321

“The Church’s One Foundation”

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+Benediction

Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care and Connection

+Choral Response

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

GOD BE WITH YOU

Postlude

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”
David Jesse, organ

arr. Johnson/Metzger

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

Announcements

Gifts of Women, Sunday, April 16

Today Brownson celebrates the Gifts of Women Sunday, which was planned by Presbyterian Women with helpful input from Rev. Elizabeth Doolin and John Tyson.

New Member Gathering, Sunday, April 23

If you are interested in learning more about our church community, join us **Sunday, April 23** at 10:15 AM at *Higher Grounds* (in the Atrium). Meet with Rev. John Hage and Rev. Elizabeth H. Doolin, grab some coffee and a donut, and then head over to the Cornerstone Building Conference Room for a time to learn more about Brownson Church and our thriving congregation.

Concerts @ Brownson

Sunday, April 23 @ 3pm -

Duo 360- Guest cellist; Peter Swanson and pianist, Meagan Lacher in concert.

Sunday, May 21 @ 7pm-

Faure's Requiem featuring choir members from Brownson, Community Congregational Church, Culdee Presbyterian Church, and Southern Pines United Methodist Church. Orchestra members from around the state of North Carolina.

Friday, June 2 @ 7pm-

A Celebration of Brahms' Chamber Music

Local Missions | Ways to Serve

THE COALITION

Gilmore Client Services—1500 Indiana Ave

- Third Tuesday of each month 8:30 AM-11 AM
- Contact: Jan Lindstrom mjindstrom75@gmail.com

THE FOOD BANK

- Second Tuesday of each month 9 AM-11 AM
- Contact: Bob McCall at rdm36@charter.net

BROWNSON BUDDIES

Join us for after school homework help one day/week at Southern Pines Elementary, assisting 4th-graders with basic math and reading. To sign up, contact Austin Vernon, discipleship @brownsonchurch.org.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY APOSTLES BUILD

Brownson and the Village Chapel are partnering up for the construction of the 2023 Apostles Build. The Apostle Build is only made possible by volunteers from numerous churches throughout Moore County. The dates for the Brownson/Village Chapel Build are April 27, 28 and 29 and the location is 200 Hatley Street – Aberdeen. Habitat would like 6 volunteer “builders” from each Church each day from 8 am – 1 pm. No experience is required. Habitat will provide all equipment, hard hats, goggles, water/snacks and a contractor from Habitat will be on-sight at all times. Please go on-line and register to volunteer at sandhillshabitat.volunteerhub.com or contact Don Power at donc6power@gmail.com.

CONNECT @ BROWNSON

YOUTH

Youth group tonight 5-7 PM. Along with food and games, we'll be starting to plan and prepare for Youth Sunday. ALL youth are invited to be involved and have a voice in planning so come out to youth group tonight! The youth will lead both services on Sunday, May 14.

CHILDREN

Brownson Kids resume tonight at 5:00 with Backwards Night. Wear your backwards hats and backwards clothes, and learn how Jesus calls the first to be last. It's going to be a fun night! All summer registrations are now open!

Prayers and Praise

Christian Sympathy: Chris Kibler upon the death of his father, Herbert Edward Kibler, on April 9th.

Serving Today

Thank you to our Greeters serving today:

9:00 AM Ushers: Libby Marsh, Paula Zellers, Sandy Riggan, Sue Jaehne, Betsy Robinson

11:10 AM Ushers: Anita Emery, Ginger Monroe, Joan Power, Bonnie Berger, Jane Howard, Pat Dempsey, Susan Bowness

Chancel Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God given by the Presbyterian Women.

Adults

Theology on Tap—This small group for men of the church meets on Wednesdays at Table on the Green at 6 PM.

Men's Tuesday Fellowship Breakfast - This men's group meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 AM at Sizzlin' Steak or Eggs. Contact Bill Berger for more information.

Women—Bible study is offered through six different Circles. For information, contact Membership Leader Nancy Ahlfeld at 910.235.4646 or visit brownsonchurch.org/pw.

The Ligon Bible Class—This class studies *The Present Word* quarterly curriculum. Join us in Conference Room B at 10 AM.

The Living Word Today (hybrid) - This class discusses current events through the lens of our Christian faith, using *The Wired Word* curriculum. Join us in Conference Room A or on Zoom at 10 AM. Meeting ID: 825 8501 9818. Passcode: 664945.

Donuts and Devotionals – Bring your coffee and donuts to Conference Room C at 10 AM as we discuss some of the most important stories in the New Testament.