

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**Children's Activities Tonight:** We will continue Bible drills tonight. Non readers will work on learning the books of the Bible. Join us at 6 pm for food, fellowship, and fun. Don't forget your Bible!

If you would like to bring a food item on Sunday evenings to feed the children, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

## SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Zane Blackwell

Next Week: Kaitlyn Carlton

Children's Church: Davida Curtis

Next Week: Molly Napier

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Youth Sunday School: JR HIGH:** *Promises, Promises* - A study of God's covenants with His people, led by Kyle Carlton. **SR HIGH:** *The Proverbial Proverbs* - We are doing a study of proverbs, led by John Thompson.

**Sunday Night Youth (Grades 6-12), 6 pm - 7:10 pm - Pain Don't Hurt** - Join us as we study Tim Keller's book *Walking with God Through Pain and Suffering*, discussing how we deal with hardships in the world and our lives, and how God uses these moments to grow us in spiritual maturity. We also play games and eat delicious food! Invite your friends!!

## ADULT CHOIR

If you have a desire to make music to the Lord, please join the Adult Choir this evening at 5 pm. Choir rehearsals typically run from 5 - 5:45 pm. Childcare is provided.

## IN PRAYER

- Missionary of the Week: Mr. & Mrs. Lott (*SE Asia*)
- Ministry of the Week: Center for Pregnancy Choices
- Shepherding Group of the Week: Luther Stowers, Nat Whitten
- Friend of Florene Dove, Ada Hardy, is receiving hospice care at home.
- Sister-in-law of Marsha Glover, Pam Glover, is fighting infection and depression.
- Ellis Bates continues to battle pneumonia and fungus in his lungs due to possible erosion of the esophagus linked to chemo & radiation. Awaiting test results.
- Tiffany Glover's nephew, Cooper, born with heart valve problems, is improving.
- Dr. Shenouda recovering from cornea transplant .
- Carlton's neighbor, Townes Craft, one year old diagnosed with Pompe disease.
- Scott Word's uncle, Vic Borromeo, has pulmonary fibrosis.
- Loved ones battling cancer: Will Glover, Bill Glover's father (prostate cancer & complications); Paul Barret, Jimmy Carman's cousin (cancer throughout his body), Jeanne Watkins, Sharon Nicolson's sister (breast); Serena Blackwell's grandfather; Andrew McCall, 8-yr-old son of Rev Perry McCall & wife, Robin (Acute leukemia); Judy Bramlett, sister-in-law of Ken and Nancy Bramlett is in remission (liver); Sandra Bridges, friend of Kathy Smith (breast); Barth Whitney's mother (cervical); Sherry Case, sister of Sam Heath; Sara Willis , friend of Davida Curtis (brain), Mike Monk, boss of David Wade, beginning chemo.
- Service members: S.T. Heath, Mark Muse
- Nursing home residents & shut-ins: Ann Benton, Mary Alice Duhs, Jane Ehman, Merrit & Carlos McNamee, Peggy Piner, Miriam Whitten

## SERMON NOTES DR. JOHN DAWSON *Mark 4:1-20*

January 18, 2015

### I. Seed Sowing 101

### II. Soil Testing 101

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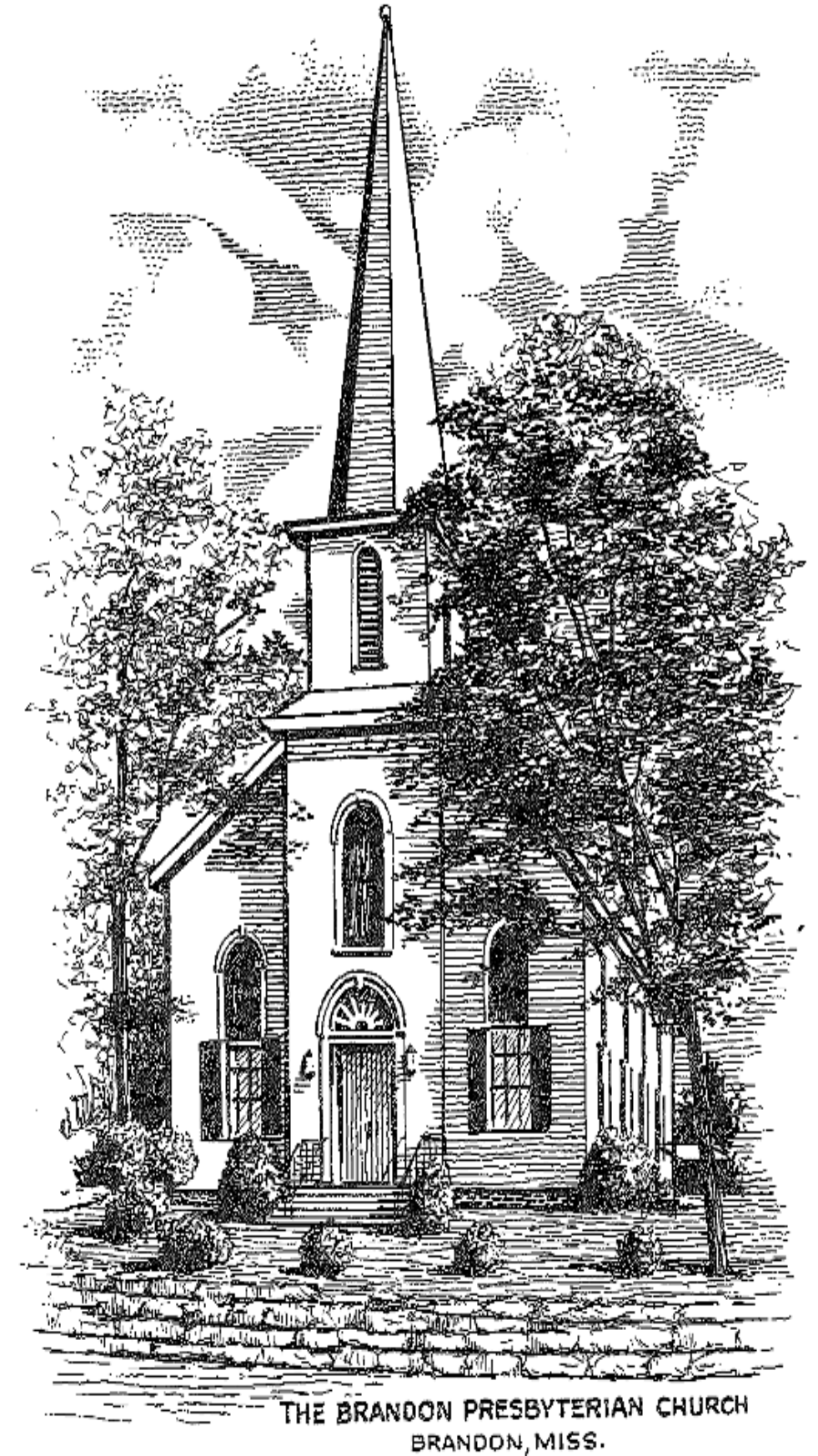
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*Dr. John Dawson, Senior Pastor*

# Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, January 18, 2015

*During the prelude, be prayerful and reverent in preparation for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary.*

**THE PRELUDE** CHOPIN  
"Devotion"

**THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP\***

Leader: O, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!  
 People: How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!  
 Leader: Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor? Who has ever given to God that God should repay him?  
 People: From him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever!  
 Amen.

**THE HYMN OF PRAISE\*** No. 101  
"Come Thou Almighty King"

**THE INVOCATION\***

**THE HYMN OF PRAISE\*** No. 136  
"Thy Word Have I Hid in My Heart"

**RESPONCIVE READING** No. 790  
*Psalm 19*

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

**GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS** FRANCK  
"Meditation"

**GLORIA PATRI \***

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, it is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

**ANTHEM**

"In Christ Alone"

**THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE** No. 709  
*Mark 4:1-20*

**THE SERMON** DR. JOHN DAWSON  
*The Parable of the Soils*

**THE HYMN OF RESPONSE** No. 672  
"Trust and Obey"

**THE BENEDICTION \***

**THE POSTLUDE\***

\* Congregation Standing

## THIS WEEK @ BPC

**TODAY**

8:30 AM Morning Worship Service  
 9:45 AM Sunday School - All Ages (Nursery available)  
 11:00 AM Morning Worship Service (Nursery available)  
 Children's Church (3-4 year olds)  
 5:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 6:00 PM Evening Worship  
 Youth Meeting  
 Bible Drill

**WEDNESDAY**

6:15 PM Family Night Dinner

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Men's Rally:** First Presbyterian Church of Jackson is hosting a Men's Rally Friday, January 30. Dinner begins at 5:15 pm followed by worship at 6 pm. This year's speaker is Dr. Ralph Davis. If you would like to ride over with someone, meet at Brandon Presbyterian at 5 pm.

**Family Night Dinner** will be this Wednesday, January 21, at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The Gary Morrison/Joe Williams/John Thompson shepherding group is hosting this month's event. Make plans to join us!

**New Sermon Series:** This morning we will continue a new sermon series in the Gospel of Mark. On Sunday evenings we will continue a study of *The Mortification of Sin* using John Owen's famous book of that title as our guide.

**Flower Calendar:** If you would like to provide sanctuary flowers during the upcoming year, the 2015 flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign-up.

**Adult Sunday School Classes:** In the "Next to the Kitchen Class", Charlie Moak is leading a study of 1 and 2 Peter. In the "Choir Rehearsal Room Class", John Dawson is leading a study of Deuteronomy. Come join one of these classes and be encouraged!

**WIC Cookbook:** We just received a new shipment of the **Heavenly Creations** cookbooks. They are only \$12 and make wonderful gifts.

**Sanctity of Life Service:** On the Anniversary of Roe v. Wade this Thursday, January 22, a special service will be held from Noon - 1 pm at the last remaining abortion clinic in Mississippi (at the corner of State Street and Fondren Place). Local pastors will be leading us in worship as we seek God's intervention to help us end abortion in Mississippi. For further information, please contact Pro-Life Mississippi at 601.956.8636.

### To All Our Visitors

We are so pleased you have chosen to worship with us. Our church doors are as wide open as the Gospel, "For *everyone* who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Romans 10:13). Please fill out a visitor's card and either place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Dawson at the end of the service. Please let an usher or Pastor Dawson know if you have any questions.

## ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (8:30/11am/6pm): Jan. 11, 2014	37/102/54
Sunday School	95
Last Week's Offering:	\$ 5,342.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$ 6,142.00
Year to Date Giving:	\$ 13,301.00
Year to Date Budgeted Giving:	\$ 12,284.00 (+1,017.00)