THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

8:30 AM Worship Service

9:45 AM Sunday School (Nursery)

11 AM Worship Service (Nursery, Children's Church for 3 & 4 year olds)

5 PM Adult Choir Practice

6 PM Evening Worship Service (Nursery)

Youth Activities
Children's Activities

MONDAY

1 PM Women's Bible Study (From Garden to Glory)

TUESDAY

6:15 PM Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

7:15 AM Devo & Donuts 6:15 PM Family Night Supper

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW Spring Quarter Sunday School Classes // "Kitchen" Class: Dr. Sinclair Ferguson's study on the role of the Holy Spirit from Creation to the present, led by Scotty Dickey // "Choir" Class: R C Sproul study on what God has given us to fight the world, flesh, and devil for our sanctification, led by Jackie Thompson.

Easter Lilies // It's time to order Easter lilies (\$7) to be placed in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. Order forms are in the breezeway, on the bulletin board, and in the church office. Place completed forms with payment in the designated box in the church office or give to Sonia Jay by NEXT Sunday, March 25th.

Men's Bible Study: Sermon on the Mount // THIS Tuesday, March 20, 6:15 pm // meets Tuesday nights though April 24 // Snacks & drinks provided.

Family Night Supper // THIS Wednesday, March 21, 6:15 pm. Hosted by the Gary Morrison, Joe Williams, & John Thompson Shepherding Group. Bring a dish and enjoy the good food & fellowship.

Save the Date // Will Brown Memorial Golf Tournament // June 23, 12 pm.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School // Classes for 3 yrs - 6th grade meet each Sunday at 9:45 am.

TONIGHT at 6pm // Singing with Marsha & Michelle. Dinner provided.

Resurrection Rally // NEXT Sunday, March 25, 6 pm // Food, Easter Story, Easter Egg Hunt, Games! // Each child should bring one dozen candy-filled eggs // We still need volunteers! Sign up on bulletin board.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Bell Ringer: Merrian Glover

Next Week: Kate Inman

Nursery: Cecile, Sonia, & Janet

March: Martha Wainwright

Next Week: TBD

April: Susan Inman

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School // Jr & Sr High classes meet upstairs at 9:45 am every Sunday.

TONIGHT at 6pm // Bible Study & fellowship. Dinner Provided.

Middle School Devo & Donuts // THIS Wednesday, March 21, at 7:15 am.

RYM // Jr. High: June 25 - 29 // Sr. High: July 9 - 13

SERMON NOTES

March 18, 2018

Ecclesiastes 4

- I. Observe The Curse Of An Unredeemed Community (vv. 4-8)
 - A. Sin (v. 4)
 - B. Misery (v. 5-8)
- II. Ponder The Blessings Of A Redeemed Community (vv. 9-16)
 - A. Restorative (v. 10)
 - B. Preservative (v. 11)
 - C. Protective (v. 12)
 - D. Prescriptive (v. 13-16)

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OFFICERS

Elders: TE John Dawson, RE Walt Herrington, RE Gary Morrison, RE Jackie Thompson. RE Nat Whitten

<u>Deacons</u>: Scotty Dickey, Brian Smith, Luther Stowers, John Thompson, Joe Williams

<u>Officers Emeritus</u>: *Elders*: Charlie Moak, Elton Jay, Jim McBrayer. *Deacons*: John McInnis, Ken Bramlett, Edsel Parks, Richard Harrison.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY ROUND TABLE

Women's Ministry Director: Rebekah Dawson Dawson Shepherding Group: Angela McInnis, Dotsy Peel Thompson Shepherding Group: Mary Thompson, Melinda Neill Whitten Shepherding Group: Jeanne Monsour, Molly Napier Morrison Shepherding Group:

Herrington Shepherding Group: Camille Herrington, Jo Stanford, Michelle Smith

Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Elizabeth & Ken Pinkerton.

Brandon Presbyterian Church

Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM



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"The Church's One Foundation Is Jesus Christ, Her Lord..."

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, March 18, 2018

During the prelude, please prepare your heart to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.

Meditation

To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything and your heart will be wrung and possibly broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it intact you must give it to no one.... Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements. Lock it up safe in the coffin of your selfishness. But in that casket, safe, dark, motionless, airless, it will change. It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable...."

- C.S. Lewis

Prelude M. HILL

"Go to Dark Gethsemane" Organist, Jacquelyn Thornell

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship * 1 Timothy 1:16-17

Leader: The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance:

People: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom

we are the foremost.

Leader: But we received mercy for this reason, that in us, as the

foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an

example to those who are to believe in him for eternal life.

People: To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be

honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn of Praise * N°. 38

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Invocation

Hymn of Praise * N° 101

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

Corporate Confession of Sin:

Heavenly Father, all your lovingkindness is in your Son,

I bring him to you in the arms of faith,

I urge his saving name as the one who died for me,

I plead his blood to pay for my debts of wrong.

Accept his worthiness for my unworthiness

his sinlessness for my transgression,

his purity for my uncleanness,

his sincerity for my guile, his truth for my deceits,

his meekness for my pride,

his constancy for my backslidings,

his love for my enmity,

his fullness for my emptiness,

his faithfulness for my treachery,

his obedience for my lawlessness,

his glory for my shame,

his devotedness for my waywardness,

his holy life for my unchaste ways,

his righteousness for my dead works,

his death for my life. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

PAXTON/MAKER

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Doxology *

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Solo ** Jackie Thompson

Dismiss Children For Children's Church (3 & 4 year olds)

Reading of Holy Scripture N° 472

Ecclesiastes 4

Sermon Dr. John Dawson

"Better Together?"

Hymn of Response * N°. 629

"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

Benediction *

Postlude *

*Congregation Standing
** 11 am Service Only

To Our Visitors

We are pleased to have you worship with us. Our church doors are open as wide 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 place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Dawson at the end of the service. Let an usher or Pastor Dawson know if you have any questions.

IN PRAYER

- Missionary of the Week: Rev. David White & Mrs. Robin White/ATL Field Support
- Ministry of the Week: Center for Violence Prevention
- Shepherding Group of the Week: Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers
- Child(ren) of the Week: Ejay & Gracie Napier
- God would bless us with new **conversions**, **visitors**, **families**, & **members**.
- **Director of Student Ministries Search Committee**: Scotty Dickey, Michelle Smith, Chris Groebe, Kerri Matthews.
- Officer Training: Pray for the men going through officer training.
- Cathy & Joe Costello: Expecting a baby girl in July.
- Kayla Tolar & Andrew Downs: engaged; wedding May 18.
- Chauncey Craft & Chris Blakeney: engaged, wedding June 9.
- Abigail: granddaughter of Cindy & Joe Williams.
- Nate Inman: successfully recovering from his two surgeries.
- Florene Dove: at home and doing much better.
- **Don Graham**, father of Paula McClain: health declining rapidly, prayers for wife, Lille, who will be making decisions and caring for him.
- **Kelly Langford**, daughter of Jacquelyn Thornell: melanoma, recovering from surgery to remove toe, waiting for biopsy results.
- Jim McBrayer: transferred to VA, sitting up out of bed now.
- Joni & Michael Vance: baby girl, Taylor Hayes, hole in heart, will have surgery to repair hole and replace valve in 9 months, on RSV treatments and diuretic.
- Evelyn Culpepper: broken femur, recovering from surgery at her daughter's.
- Loved ones battling cancer: Awnie Shenouda, brother of Dr. Shenouda: Prostate cancer. Alycia Harris, former co-worker of Tina Groebe: 33 yr old mother of 3, stage 4 lung cancer. Will Glover, son of Marsha & Bill Glover: Brain cancer, infusion in Birmingham every other week through 2018, back on chemo as well, stronger doses. John McInnis: at home on hospice. Jim Smith: pancreatic cancer, next scan in 4 months. Joyce Ellzey, David Wade's aunt: Surgery went well, starting radiation. Jane Dowell, mother of Alex Word's friend, LeAndrea Hampton: aggressive brain cancer, may have 6 mo - 3 yrs to live, tumor not responding to treatment, but isn't growing. Steven Bell, Tiffany Glover's brother: stage 4 liver cancer, waiting on next scan. Robin Marbury Morris, Jeanne Monsour's niece: colon & liver cancer, too much liver damage, will not have surgery. Judy **Bramlett**, Ken Bramlett's sister-in-law: Methodist rehab. **Bobby Taylor**, John Dawson's cousin: stage 4 lymphoma. Roscoe Douglas, Rebekah Dawson's SIL's father: stage 4 colon cancer, lung tumors, treating with Proton therapy, vitamins, & diet changes, quality of life very good. Andrew McCall, 8-yr-old son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall: acute leukemia.
- Service members: S.T. Heath, Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)
- Nursing home residents & shut-ins: Joan Allen, Jane Ehman, Jim McBrayer, Merrit McNamee, Polly & Laverne Roberts, Mary Jane Thompson

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (8:30 am/11 am/6pm): March 11 41/76/Sunday School: 84

Last Week's Offering: \$ 4,107.00

Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$ 6,648.00

Year to Date Giving: \$ 69,392.00

Year to Date Budgeted Giving: \$ 66,480.00 (+\$2,912)