

THIS WEEK @ BPC

TODAY

8:30 AM Worship Service
 9:45 AM Sunday School
 11:00 PM Worship Service
 5:00 PM Adult Choir Practice
 6:00 PM Worship Service / Children / Youth

WEDNESDAY

6:15 PM Ladies Christmas Gathering

FRIDAY

5:30 PM Christmas Parade and Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hallway Duty: We need people to assist our deacons in security during the 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. services. Sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Service Project: Today is the last day to bring items for our Mustard Seed project.

Christmas Parade: Friday, December 7,..... help needed for the Christmas festivities at the church. Will begin at 5:30 pm. Bring soup or chili to share. We'll provide all the fixin's. Need help with everything..... from decorating, to kitchen workers! Sign up on bulletin board.

Christmas Party: Friday, December 14 at 7:00 pm at the home of John and Ashley Belknap, 102 Crestview Drive, Brandon. Bring an appetizer and/or side dish to share....and a gift to exchange.

Sunday School: New adult Fall/Winter quarter classes begin today. In the kitchen class Scotty Dickey will lead a video taught by Sinclair Ferguson on the Marrow Controversy. Also, Walt Herrington will lead a study on the Book of Job in the choir rehearsal class.

New Church Staff: We are pleased to announce that Cathy Costello will begin next week as our church secretary. Also, Nate & Susan Inman will begin as Directors of Children's Ministries in the New Year. Please thank the Lord for his answering our prayers and join in welcoming them.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School: Classes for 3 yrs - 5th grade meet each Sunday at 9:45 am.

Happy Birthday Jesus Party: Tonight at 6:00 pm. This is the last Sunday night activity for kids until January 6.

YOUTH MINISTRY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! BPC Youth Christmas party....Saturday, December 8. Locate your favorite Christmas sweater, invite a friend, and come for some good food and Christmas festivities! Party starts at 5:30 PM at Amanda's house. Text her with questions.....601.826.0144

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

Youth Fellowship: Will begin again in January. Stay tuned!

Sermon Notes

John 16: 1-15

I. Joy

II. Faith

III. Love

IV. Peace

STAFF

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OFFICERS

Elders: TE John Dawson, RE Scotty Dickey, RE Walt Herrington, RE Gary Morrison, RE Jim Neill, RE Jackie Thompson, RE Nat Whitten
Deacons: Chris Groebe, Nate Inman, Eric Napier, Andrew Rush, Brian Smith, Luther Stowers, John Thompson, Darrin Tolar

Officers Emeritus:

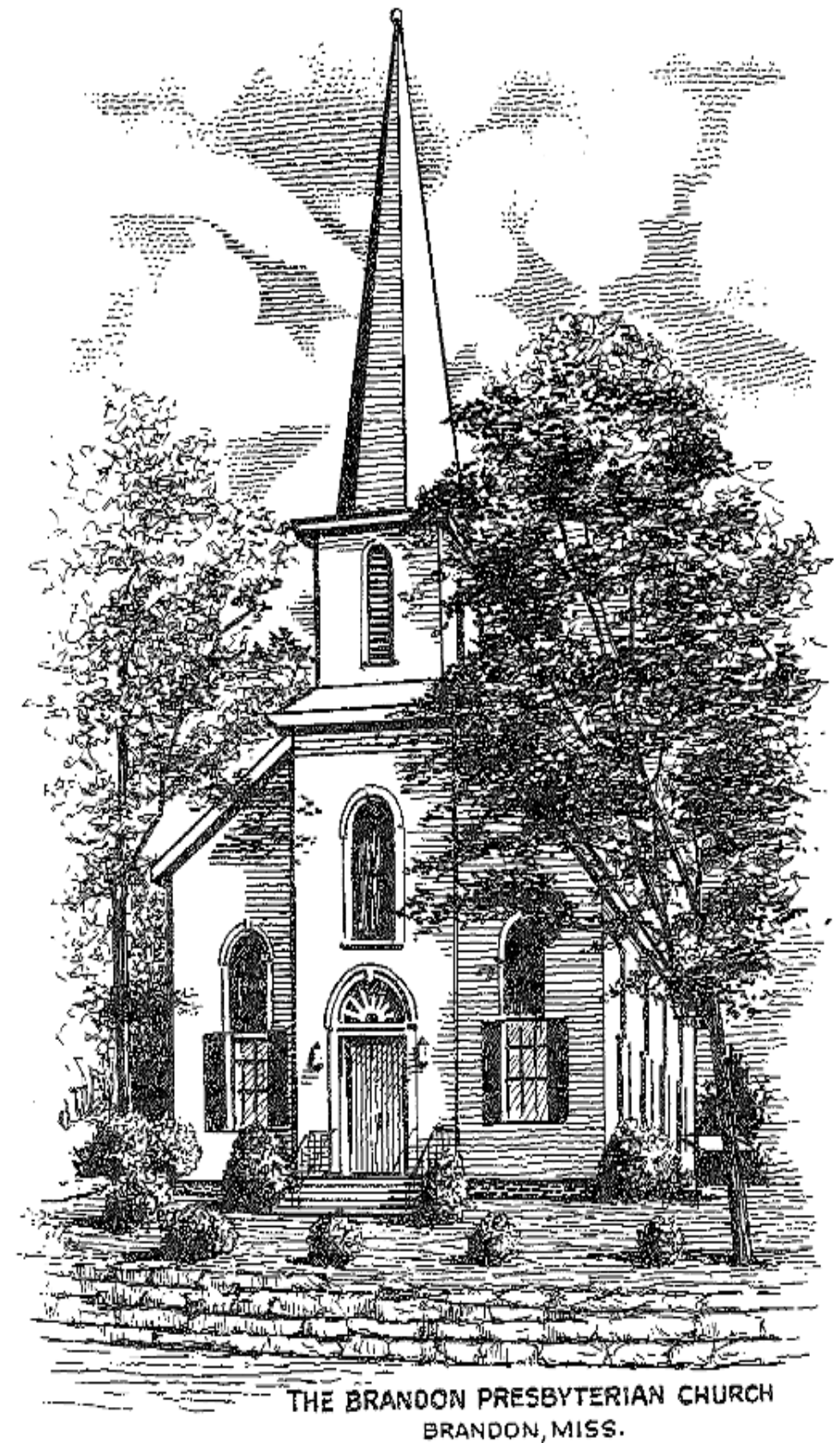
Elders: Charlie Moak, Elton Jay, Jim McBrayer †
Deacons: John McInnis †, Ken Bramlett, Edsel Parks, Richard Harrison.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY ROUND TABLE

Women's Ministry Director: Rebekah Dawson
Dickey Shepherding Group: Angela McInnis, Dotsy Peel
Herrington Shepherding Group: Camille Herrington, Jo Stanford
Morrison Shepherding Group: Carol Morrison, Rebecca Thompson
Neill Shepherding Group: Melinda Neill
Thompson Shepherding Group: Mary Thompson, Jeanne Monsour
Whitten Shepherding Group: Molly Napier

Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God

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Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, December 2, 2018

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

Meditation

“Good news from heaven the angels bring, glad tidings to the earth they sing; to us this day a child is given, to crown us with the joy of heaven.” Martin Luther

Prelude

“O COME, O COME EMMANUEL” CLARKE
ORGANIST, JACQUELYN THORNELL

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *

ISAIAH 11:1-6

LEADER: THERE SHALL COME FORTH A SHOOT FROM THE STUMP OF JESSE, AND A BRANCH FROM HIS ROOTS SHALL BEAR FRUIT.

PEOPLE: **AND THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD SHALL REST UPON HIM, THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING, THE SPIRIT OF COUNSEL AND MIGHT, THE SPIRIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND THE FEAR OF THE LORD.**

LEADER: AND HIS DELIGHT SHALL BE IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD. HE SHALL NOT JUDGE BY WHAT HIS EYES SEE, OR DECIDE DISPUTES BY WHAT HIS EARS HEAR,

PEOPLE: **BUT WITH RIGHTEOUSNESS HE SHALL JUDGE THE POOR, AND DECIDE WITH EQUITY FOR THE MEEK OF THE EARTH;**

LEADER: THE WOLF SHALL DWELL WITH THE LAMB, AND THE LEOPARD SHALL LIE DOWN WITH THE YOUNG GOAT, AND THE CALF AND THE LION AND THE FATTED CALF TOGETHER;

PEOPLE: **AND A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM.**

Hymn of Praise *

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” N^o. 179

Invocation *

HYMN OF PRAISE *

“While by the Sheep We Watched at Night” N^o. 215

Vows of Membership

Mr. Ryan Morris
Mr. Jim & Mrs. Lisa Hellier (Samuel) **

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, for ever. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

God's Tithes & Our Offerings

Offertory

“Noel Provençal” Candeille

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.

Anthem **

“Christmas Joy Medley” Sybil Cheeseman

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

Reading of Holy Scripture

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Sermon

“Christmas in Context” Dr. John Dawson

Hymn of Response *

“It Came upon the Midnight Clear” No. 200

Benediction *

Postlude *

*Congregation Standing

** 11:00 Service Only

To Our Visitors	<p>We are pleased to have you worship with us. Our church doors are open as wide as the Gospel:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>“For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”</i> Romans 10:13</p> <p>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.</p>
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IN PRAYER

- **Missionary of the Week:** Joseph and Laurel Barnes (Peru)
- **Ministry of the Week:** Deacon Samaritan Fund
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Scotty Dickey and Andrew Rush
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** Sybil Grace and Merrian Glover
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

- **Gary & Jenny Wood**, friends of Andrew/Gray Ouzts from GA, baby, Georgia Anne, born with congenital heart defect--Pray that baby will grow in strength for next surgery in December.
- **Cathy & Joe Costello:** Baby girl, Sarah Cathryn. Pray for nutrition and for Cathy.
- **Evelyn Culpepper:** doing good and been in good spirits, Brandon Court - Room 211
- **Bear & Emily Sills**, friends of Kerri/Brian Matthews, infant son Hank passed away at birth.
- **Linda Harrison**, suffered a stroke and lost vision in left eye, recovering.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Dr. Shenouda:** prostate cancer, will have hormone and radiation treatment.
- **Will Glover**, son of Marsha & Bill Glover: beginning another round of chemo.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer, last scan good.
- **Kelly Langford**, daughter of Jacquelyn Thornell, last scan was clear....continuing oral chemo.
- **Robin Marbury Morris**, Jeanne Monsour's niece: (Liver cancer) Chemo continues; hoping to go to Emory soon.
- **Andrew McCall**, son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall: acute leukemia; at Blair Batson recovering from bone marrow transplant.
- **Terry McGinty**, Kerri Matthews' uncle, has prostate cancer that has metastasized to the bone.

- **Service members:** S.T. Heath, Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)

- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Dr. John Adams, Joan Allen, Joe Berryhill, Evelyn Culpepper, Polly & Laverne Roberts, Mary Jane Thompson

ATTENDANCE & FINANCIAL UPDATES

Worship Services (8:30 am/10 am/6pm):	November 25	49/87/57
Sunday School:		77
Last Week's Offering:	\$	2,711.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering:	\$	6,648.00
Year to Date Giving:	\$	323,582.00 (+17,774)
Year to Date Budgeted Giving:	\$	305,808.00